



Elementary and Middle School Counselor

Santa Fe School for the Arts & Sciences, an expeditionary learning school, is seeking an experienced, dynamic, collaborative school counselor to work part or full-time with our school and community.

The successful candidate will understand the developmental needs of children (ages 3-14), using their knowledge to promote the school's character traits of compassion, courage, respect, trust, honesty and stewardship. Energy, compassion, and humor will be key traits to accomplish the job.

Our school counselor works with many age groups and classes on our campus. The counselor works closely with our staff, administration, and families to support children in their academic and social growth. Our teachers are committed to the social emotional development of every child, which is at the core of the teaching and learning here at Arts & Sciences. Therefore, the ideal candidate must have experience working within a school community.

About Our School

Santa Fe School for the Arts & Sciences is committed to educational excellence, seeking to develop students who are recognized for superb academic performance and for their ability to work creatively with others to recognize and solve problems. Arts & Sciences students are compassionate, creative, and contributing members of the local community who exemplify the EL Education ideal of citizen scholars.

Our teaching community is diverse in their tenure with the school; many have been here for many years, while others have recently joined Arts & Sciences. All teachers are committed to helping every student pursue their passion while honoring everyone's learning style. Our interdisciplinary learning expeditions, professional development and collaboration as a team, make learning a joyful and powerful experience at Arts & Sciences.

Qualifications and Attributes

- Masters in Counseling, Therapy, or Social Work
- Independently Licensed Therapist, Counselor, or Social Worker
- 5-7+ years experience working with elementary and middle school-aged children
- Certifications or extensive training in areas such as: children's mental health, art & play therapy, sand tray, etc
- Has experience discussing topics related to: mindfulness, emotional regulation, identity, friendships, consent, racism/classism, gender, sexuality, puberty, and issues of emotional distress and self-harm
- Has worked in a school setting and/or with groups of children from preschool - 8th grade.
- Has experience working collaboratively with parents, families, administration, and teams of teachers.
- Is able to understand the developmental needs of 3-14 year olds and apply this toward working within the classroom, in small groups, and one-on-one

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Communicating with staff and faculty to best provide support for students

- Responsible and effective communication with families
- Create, maintain and promote a safe, nurturing learning environment that responds to students' academic, social, and emotional growth
- Working collaboratively with a team of teachers and administrators
- Working with the larger community network of support for referrals, crisis intervention, and planning visiting experts to share with students, staff and community
- Conduct one-on-one and small group sessions with students as needed
- Teaching 2-4 small group Health & Wellness or Life Skills classes for grades 3-8
- Effective time management and scheduling skills
- Willing to attend field trips with classes, some of which are overnight
- Attend staff and divisional meetings, workshops and conferences
- Attending some evening and community events

Professional Development

Faculty and staff at Arts & Sciences develop a culture where professional development is expected and embedded in the daily fabric of our school. Professional development includes large group presentations, grade level or team meetings, workshops, peer observations, team teaching, and offsite institutes and workshops.

Pay Rate and Salary

This position is 20-25 hours per week and will be paid in the range of \$50-\$60 per hour depending on experience.

Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and a list of three references by Friday, March 20th to: work@santafeschool.org

Please make the subject line in your email School Counselor.

To find out more information regarding Santa Fe School for the Arts & Sciences, please visit our website at www.santafeschool.org

Santa Fe School for the Arts & Sciences places a high value on creating a diverse faculty and staff that reflects the cultural richness of our state, our country, and our world. The school is an equal opportunity employer and makes all employment decisions, including those related to recruitment, hiring, training, promotion, and recognition of individuals on the basis of their ability and job-related qualifications and without regard to race, gender, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, or any other classification proscribed under applicable federal, state, or local law. Diversity among faculty and administration as well as among students is actively sought. The school complies with the law regarding reasonable accommodations for employees with disabilities. Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the application/interview process are requested to contact the school in order to arrange such accommodation.