Pflugerville Independent School District - Job Description					
Job Title/Position:	Lead Counselor, Middle School	Department/School:	Curriculum and Instruction		
Pay Information:	Professional Support Compensation Plan (217 calendar days)	Supervised By:	Principal		
FLSA:	Exempt	Date Revised:	April 2025		

# **Primary Purpose:**

Serve as the leader of the campus counseling team. Plan, implement, lead, and evaluate a comprehensive guidance and counseling program that includes robust support for master scheduling and career pathway alignment. Provide a proactive developmental guidance program to encourage all students to maximize personal growth and development, including high school and post-secondary college and/or career planning.

#### Qualifications (Experience/Education/Certification):

Master's degree and valid Texas school counseling certificate; 2 years experience in school counseling.

### **Major Responsibilities:**

- 1. Teach school developmental guidance curriculum to students; help teachers incorporate guidance-related information into existing curriculum.
- Provide guidance to individuals and groups of students to develop education plans and career awareness; counsel individuals and small groups.
- 3. Consult parents, teachers, administrators, and other relevant people to enhance their work with students.
- 4. Work with school personnel and school district residents to obtain resources for students. Coordinate people and resources in the school, home, and community.
- 5. Use an effective referral process to help students and others use special programs and services.
- 6. Participate in planning and evaluating the campus standardized testing program; interpret tests and other appraisal results.
- 7. Participate in planning, implementing, and evaluating a comprehensive developmental guidance program to serve all students and to address the special needs of students who are: (a) at risk of dropping out of school, becoming substance abusers, participating in gang activity, or committing suicide; (b) in need of modified instructional strategies; or (c) gifted and talented, with emphasis on identifying and serving gifted and talented students who are educationally disadvantaged.
- 8. May participate/attend ARD, 504, LPAC meetings, conduct Risk-Assessments, Threat Assessments and other meetings as deemed necessary by leadership and/or supervisors.
- 9. Implement a guidance curriculum to help students develop their full educational, personal, and career objectives.
- 10. Intervene on behalf of any student whose immediate personal concerns or problems put them at risk.
- 11. Guide each student so that they can plan, monitor, and manage their own educational, career, personal, and social goals.
- 12. Support the efforts of teachers, staff, parents, and members of the community promoting the educational, career, personal, and social development of all students.
- 13. Provide information to parents and students regarding: the importance of postsecondary education, graduation requirements, financial aid availability and requirements, advanced academic programs, and support for students who are homeless or in foster care.
- 14. Coordinate campus counseling programs that promote transition to post-secondary endeavors Plan school guidance and counseling programs to ensure that they meet identified needs.
- 15. Develop and coordinate a continuing evaluation of guidance programs and make changes based on findings.
- 16. Provide consultation and training to campus staff regarding guidance and counseling best practices.
- 17. Plan and collaborate with campus administrators in the development of the campus master schedule and campus programming.
- 18. Attend and participate in campus and district meetings and professional learning opportunities.
- 19. Follow the Educator Code of Conduct & all policies, procedures, laws and State/Federal regulations.
- 20. Perform other duties as assigned.

### Special Knowledge/Skills:

- Knowledge of the scope of work done in the PISD Counseling, College and Career Readiness areas.
- Knowledge of the various annual timelines associated with the Department.
- Skill in communicating effectively with others.
- Skill in working with computer tools, including, but not limited to, email, internet, word processing and spreadsheets.
- Skill in working in collaborative team-based environments.
- Skill in working with and presenting to diverse populations of educators, students, parents, and community members.

#### **Supervisory Responsibilities:**

Will collaborate with district and campus administrators to fulfill supervisory responsibilities of the counseling team

## Working Conditions (Mental Demands/Physical Demands/Environmental Demands):

Maintain emotional control under stress; must be able to lift and/or carry at least 30 lbs.

The foregoing statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by employees assigned to this job title. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, knowledge, skills, and abilities required.

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