



East Catholic High School

Social Worker for School Counseling Office

Job Description

Mission Statement:

East Catholic High School is a regional college-preparatory school of the Archdiocese of Hartford. Building on Catholic tradition and the charism of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, we challenge our students to build strong moral character while pursuing academic excellence, responsible citizenship, active participation in community service, sportsmanship, and an appreciation for the fine arts. Guided by the teachings of Jesus Christ, East Catholic is a welcoming environment for all students.

Job Overview

We are seeking an experienced School Social Worker to join our dynamic and growing educational institution. As a School Social Worker, you will play a critical role in providing support and guidance to students, families, and staff. With your passion for helping others and your commitment to excellence, you will help make a positive impact in the lives of those in our community.

School Social Worker Responsibilities & Duties

- Provide individual and group counseling to students.
- Develop and implement intervention strategies to address social, emotional, and behavioral issues.
- Collaborate with teachers, administrators, and parents to create comprehensive support plans for students.
- Conduct assessments to identify students' needs and appropriate services.
- Facilitate communication between the school and students' families to ensure cohesive support.
- Coordinate with external agencies and community resources to provide additional services to students.
- Offer crisis intervention as needed, addressing urgent mental health or safety concerns.
- Create and lead workshops or training sessions for students, staff, and parents.

- Maintain accurate and confidential records of student interactions and progress.
- Advocate for students' rights and needs within the school system.
- Promote attendance and engagement through targeted interventions.
- Address issues related to bullying, substance abuse, and other challenges affecting student well-being.

School Social Worker Qualifications & Skills

- State certification or licensure as a School Social Worker.
- Experience working in an educational setting.
- Knowledge of school policies, procedures, and educational laws.
- Strong understanding of child and adolescent development.
- Familiarity with common social, emotional, and behavioral challenges faced by students.
- Proficiency in crisis intervention techniques.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Bachelor's or Master's degree in Social Work, Psychology, or related field.
- State licensure or certification in social work.
- Previous experience in a school or youth-focused setting.
- Strong assessment and evaluation skills.
- Ability to work collaboratively with a diverse group of stakeholders.
- Effective problem-solving and conflict-resolution skills.
- Commitment to maintaining confidentiality and ethical standards in practice.