

Flour Bluff Independent School District Job Description

JOB TITLE: Junior High Counselor

WAGE/HOUR STATUS: Exempt

NUMBER OF DAYS: 201 **REPORTS TO**: Principal **DATE REVISED**: 02/2025

PRIMARY PURPOSE:

• The role of the School Counselor is to provide comprehensive guidance and counseling services which support the overall school program.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Minimum Education/Certification:

- Master's degree
- Counselor certification per Texas Education Agency
- Prior successful experience as teacher

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:

ROLE 1: PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

- 1. Plans, implements, and evaluates a developmental program of guidance, including counseling services.
- 2. Uses a planning process to define needs, priorities, and program objectives.
- 3. Implements a developmental and balanced program.
- 4. Evaluates the effectiveness of individual activities and the over-all program in meeting desired student outcomes.

5. Educates the school staff, parents and the community about the guidance program through a public information program.

ROLE 2: GUIDANCE

- 1. Teaches the school developmental guidance curriculum.
- 2. Outlines, in writing, a campus guidance curriculum consistent with the district's guidance program plan and tailored to campus needs.
- 3. Teaches guidance units effectively.
- 4. Assists teachers in the teaching of guidance related curriculum.
- 5. Consults with administrators and teachers regarding the teacher's areas of responsibility in teaching the developmental guidance curriculum.
- 6. Supports teachers in teaching "essential knowledge and skills" identified in the SBOE Rules for Curriculum which are guidance related.
- 7. Guides individuals and groups of students through the development of educational plans and career awareness.
- 8. Involves students in personalized educational and career awareness.
- 9. Presents relevant information accurately and without bias.

ROLE 3: COUNSELING

- 1. Counsel's individual students with presenting needs/concerns.
- 2. Provides counseling systematically.
- 3. Responds to students individually.
- 4. Provides counseling to students defined as "At-Risk" by local and state policies.
- 5. Counsel's small groups of students with presenting needs/concerns.
- 6. Provides counseling in groups as appropriate.
- 7. Provides group counseling systematically.
- 8. Uses accepted theories and techniques appropriate to school counseling.
- 9. Uses accepted theories.
- 10. Uses effective techniques.

ROLE 4: CONSULTATION

- 1. Consults with parents, teachers, administrators, and other relevant individuals to enhance their work with students.
- 2. Provides professional expertise collaboratively.
- 3. Interprets information and ideas effectively.

4. Advocates for students.

ROLE 5: COORDINATION

- 1. Coordinates with school and community personnel to bring together resources for students.
- 2. Maintains a communication system that effectively collects and disseminates information about students to other professionals as appropriate.
- 3. Develops and maintains positive working relationships with other school professionals.
- 4. Develops and maintains positive working relationships with representatives of community resources.
- 5. Uses an effective referral process for assisting students and others to use special programs and services.
- 6. Accurately assesses students' and their families' needs for referral.
- 7. Participates actively in the process for referral of students to school/district special programs and/or services.
- 8. Uses an effective referral process for assisting students and others to use community agencies and services.

ROLE 6: ASSESSMENT

- 1. Participates in the planning and evaluation of the school group standardized testing program.
- 2. Is knowledgeable in the principles of testing and measurement which underlie standardized testing program development.
- 3. Collaborates in the planning and evaluation of the group standardized testing program.
- 4. Interprets test and other appraisal results appropriately.
- 5. Correctly applies principals of test and measurement to test and other appraisal results interpretation.
- 6. Interprets test and other appraisal results to school personnel.
- 7. Interprets test and other appraisal results to students and their parents.
- 8. Uses other sources of student data as assessment tools for the purpose of educational planning.
- 9. Maintains the confidentiality of student assessment.
- 10. Ensures that the uses of student records are for the benefit of students and personnel working with those students.
- 11. Perform other duties as assigned.

Mental Demands/Physical Demands/Environmental Factors:

Tools/Equipment Used:

Personal computer and peripherals; standard instructional equipment

Posture:

Prolonged sitting; frequent standing, kneeling/squatting, bending/stooping, pushing/pulling, and twisting

Motion:

Frequent walking

Lifting:

Regular light lifting and carrying (less than 15 pounds); occasional physical restraint of students to control behavior

Environment:

Work inside, may work outside

Mental Demands:

Maintain emotional control under stress; may work prolonged or irregular hours

The above statements describe the general purpose and responsibilities assigned to this job and are not an exhaustive list.