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We are seeking a compassionate and dedicated

School Social Worker

to provide support to our students, staff and families, with a focus on mental health services and helping students succeed in school.

(for a part-time or full-time position with a weekly working time of at least 20 hours.)

Job overview: The social worker's responsibilities would include supporting students, families and staff in addressing social and emotional challenges. They would collaborate with other professionals to create a safe and supportive learning environment for all within the school community.

Essential duties and responsibilities:

- Provide individual and group counselling to students experiencing social, emotional or behavioural issues.
- Develop and implement interventions to assist students with problem-solving, decision-making, and coping skills.
- Coordinate and facilitate group counselling sessions for students with similar experiences or concerns.
- Collaborate with teachers and staff to identify and address student needs that impact academic achievement.
- Assist families in addressing social, emotional, and behavioural concerns that affect their child's academic success.
- Conduct assessments and make recommendations for appropriate interventions or resources for students with social, emotional, or behavioural challenges.
- Provide crisis intervention and support to students and families in times of need.
- Maintain accurate and confidential records of all social work services provided including interventions, assessments and progress.
- Participate in school-wide initiatives and professional development opportunities to promote a positive school climate and student success.

Your profile of requirements:

- Degree in social work and registration with the SACSSP
- A minimum of 2 years' experience as a school social worker
- Psychological or socio-pedagogical knowledge
- Confident knowledge of written and spoken English, German and other languages an advantage
- Ability to assess and intervene in crisis situations
- Knowledge of relevant law, policies and procedures related to students' welfare and education and experience with and sound knowledge of aid structures in the country
- Strong communication, organizational and interpersonal skills
- Computer skills Word and Excel
- Independent, structured and efficient way of working
- Ability to work in a team, flexibility and resilience
- Interest in intercultural work (in a South African context)
- Willingness to work evenings and weekends occasionally

If, in addition, discreet and responsible work is one of your strengths, then we should get to know each other.

We look forward to receiving your application with references by 11th December 2023 to Ms. Hilde Wizemann, wizemannh@dsjmail.co.za. Please note, due to school holidays, shortlisted applicants will only be contacted after 15th January 2024.

We reserve the right not to fill this position. An application in itself does not entitle the applicant to an interview or employment, and failure to meet the minimum qualifications for the advertised position will automatically disqualify the applicant from consideration. Only successful applicants will be contacted.