

Category: **Student Support Services/Psychologist**

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2019-2020 SCHOOL

Bridgeport Public Schools
45 Lyon Terrace, Room 310
Bridgeport, CT 06604

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

GENERAL JOB DESCRIPTION:

The School Psychologist provides support to students to help them succeed academically, socially and emotionally, while considering Connecticut regulations and the vision of the Bridgeport School System. School Psychologists collaborate with educators, parents, and other professionals to help create safe, healthy and supportive learning environments that strengthen connections between home, school and community. The unique position of School Psychologists as experts in the areas of child/adolescent development, assessment, intervention, learning, measurement, and data analysis work enhances student achievement and provide life-long learners.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conducts comprehensive psycho-educational evaluations resulting in academic, social, and behavioral recommendations
- Performs counseling services to students with diverse issues
- Performs direct service to students that present with behavioral issues
- Confers with students individually, within the classroom setting or in groups
- Establishes and maintains professional relationships with school personnel and professionals in the community
- Assesses and interprets mental health, environmental and socio-economic issues
- Determines appropriate level of service to meet adaptive needs of students
- Provides feedback to school staff regarding student behavioral functioning
- Assists in the development and implementation of comprehensive behavioral plans for students
- Selects or develops goals specific to student needs
- Participates in IEP/PPT meetings and consults regarding the compilation of documentation for student records
- Attendance at selective professional development conferences/seminars to further enhance professional knowledge

- Collaborates with administrators, teachers, parents, agencies, and paraprofessionals in planning to meet the needs of individual students
- Maintains accurate and complete records
- Motivates and reinforces positive student behavior
- Establishes and maintains procedures and routines
- Makes constructive use of resources
- Provides consultation and support to school personnel in dealing with problematic behavior
- Assists parents/guardians in gaining a better understanding of student's strengths and weaknesses
- Helps parents understand the need for special programs, special education, counseling or other educational services
- Acts as an advocate for students, families and community agencies
- Serves as a liaison between schools, families and community providers
- Enables students to cope more successfully with school, home and environmental stressors
- Models good attendance and punctuality
- Other duties as directed by the Director of Psychological Services

REQUIREMENTS:

- Connecticut certification as a school psychologist (070)
- Excellent interpersonal, oral and written communication skills
- Ability to meet deadlines

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Experience in urban setting
- Bilingual

Salary will be in accordance with the BEA contract salary schedule.

Qualified candidates who wish to apply should access the website:

www.bridgeportedu.com/teachers

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