School District No. 38 Richmond

School District No. (38) Richmond is seeking full-time continuing Area Counsellor to join our Learning Services department effective September 2018 to provide support to various elementary schools. The expectation is that our counselling staff will work in a proactive manner with students and their families to support success in student academic, social, and emotional development. In conjunction with supporting students in their development, a knowledge of and ability to access outside agency support is essential. The applicant must also be able to articulate strategies for dealing with a diverse set of students with varying learner profiles and be able to work closely with administrators, and resource teachers to ensure that appropriate support structures are in place. The successful applicant must be committed to developing strong relationships with his/her students. Well-developed communication skills and a high level of interpersonal skills consistent with working in close collaboration with other teachers and with parents, as well as a commitment to working collaboratively as a member of our counselling team.

The successful candidate will have demonstrated ability and experience with personal and group counselling, working with student and parent groups, liaising with community support system, providing peer mediation and conflict resolution and possess a working knowledge of post-secondary opportunities and entrance requirements. Demonstrated ability and experience in working with pre-adolescent issues, personal issues and family issues are necessary for this position. Required knowledge and skills include the ability to provide counselling service to students within the school setting, provide collaborative consultation to teachers, parents and administrators, assist in the coordination of services as a member of a school based team, and support liaison with other agencies and settings.

Must be capable of working both independently and in a collaborative team environment in the context of the Learning Services Department and with school personnel. The candidate must be able to demonstrate a clear understanding of the integral role of school-based decision making in the context of the collaborative consultation that is provided by District personnel.

Applicants must be in good standing with the Ministry of Education – Teacher Regulation Branch and possess a professional certificate and a Master’s degree in Counselling Psychology or equivalent. Preference will be given to those with a minimum of five (5) years of classroom teaching experience at the elementary grade levels. For further information regarding this position, please contact Marie Ratcliffe, District Administrator – Learning services at mratcliffe@sd38.bc.ca.

Interested applicants should forward a resume, transcripts, cover letter and practicum reports (if available) to: www.makeafuture.ca/richmond by August 17th, 2018.