Position Description

- A temporary full-time (1.0) Aboriginal Counsellor is required by School District No. 60 (Peace River North) effective September 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. This assignment will be at the Aboriginal Education Centre.

Qualifications and Experience

- Valid BC Ministry of Education Teaching Certificate (or eligible for)
- Experience with adapting and modifying curriculum to meet the needs of students
- Masters degree in counselling psychology or a related field from an institution recognized by the BC College of Teachers, with training in school counselling theory/techniques (or working towards) with an emphasis on Aboriginal social issues
- Excellent skills/abilities in individual as well as group/classroom instruction on: Anger Management, Suicide Awareness, Strength Based Approaches, Relationships, and other relevant topics
- Knowledge/experience in working with critical incident responses, safety plans, crisis prevention, emergency plans, risk and threat assessment
- Interest and willingness to co-ordinate student leadership programs
- Knowledge and familiarity of Aboriginal culture and history will be considered an asset;
- Counsellor will have a broad based knowledge of family and social issues which some of our Aboriginal students’ experience, including; Intergenerational impacts of the residential school system and sixties scoop.
- As a member of the staff team of the Aboriginal Education Centre, the counsellor will actively engage in events, other related school and community work
- Counsellor will utilize Aboriginal traditions, healing practices, customs, protocols and provide support and counselling for Aboriginal students, their families, and communities.
- Ability to help students navigate the unique educational, social and behavioral obstacles related to students attending middle and secondary school
- Strong communication skills that incorporates technology, proficiency with MYED and ASSESS
- Ability/experience in behaviour support and intervention (Functional Analysis of Behaviour, Behaviour Intervention Planning)
- Ability to work with teachers, students, parents and First Nation communities, in a problem solving capacity
- Working knowledge of ethical procedures and guidelines
- Ability/experience to contact and liaise with outside agencies
- Must possess a Valid Class 5 Driver's license, provide clean driving abstract and a reliable vehicle
- Preference will be given to those candidates of Aboriginal descent

Interested applicants are required to supply

- Three (3) references
- Verification of qualifications (BC Teacher Certificate)
Compensation

- 1400 relocation allowance for teachers from BC, AB and Yukon and up to $2000 for teachers from other areas
- $2,477 recruitment allowance (paid over 10 months of the school year, based on the FTE)
- Salary as per collective agreement. Current salary grid is $47,821 to 89,708
- Benefits as per collective agreement with option to enrol in medical, dental, extended health, and group life insurance. Benefits are employer paid based on FTE

For more information, please contact:

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Please note:

All applications with relevant documentation must be made through Make A Future for consideration for the position