



Part-Time Student Support Counselor Position Empire State After-School Program

About the Hispanic Counseling Center:

The Hispanic Counseling Center (HCC) was established in 1977 by the Nassau County Department of Drug and Alcohol Addiction and the Nassau County Youth Board to provide substance abuse treatment services and services for children and adolescents in response to the county's growing Latino population. Over the intervening years, the agency has grown and expanded, adding programs to respond to the community's most urgent needs.

Empire State After-School Program Overview

This program is designed to help high school students from Hempstead High School and their parents who have recently immigrated to the U.S from Latin America achieve academic success as well as adjust successfully to a new school environment. The students will receive academic support to help them excel in ESL, Literacy, and Math. The parents will receive ESL/Literacy classes to help them be able to speak confidently on their child's behalf within the school system. In addition, both the students and the parents will be able to participate in support groups.

Job Summary:

The **Part-time Student Counselor** will be responsible for providing after-school support groups to Hempstead High School students who recently immigrated to the U.S. The student counselor will discuss with the students their acculturation process, understand their school problems or concerns, engage them in the education system; cultivate their career aspirations and high school graduation as well as help them build healthy alliances at school and healthy coping mechanisms. In addition, the student counselor will maintain student attendance and remind the students to attend their sessions.

Job Responsibilities and Duties:

- Run 3 Groups of 10 children independently; 1 hour for each group
- Develop engaging group activities for newly immigrated Hispanic Hempstead High School students fostering character building, education engagement, and acculturation
- Take student attendance and remind students to attend group sessions
- Screen and refer students who may need more individualized counseling services to the Hispanic Counseling Center's Mental Health Clinic
- Provide a pre and post school and social interaction survey to the students

Job Requirements:

- Fluency in English/Spanish Required
- Master's Degree in Social Work, Clinical Mental Health Counseling, or School Counseling
- Experience with running support groups and developing group activities
- At least 2 years of experience working with High School Students
- Experience working with immigrant Hispanic students

- Satisfactory completion of a background check
- Excellent Oral and Written Communication
- Effective Organizational Skills and Multi-tasking Skills
- Ability to work collaboratively in a team
- Must be able to work independently
- Must have the ability to travel as needed
- Demonstrates key competencies including: initiative, teamwork, and adhere to the highest professional conduct.

Work Schedule:

The position would start in March. The work schedule would be Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30pm to 6:30pm at Hempstead High School. The position is a year round commitment which includes working over the summers.

Hispanic Counseling Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Applicants must be presently eligible to work in the United States. Please submit a Cover letter and Resume to:

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