

Job Title: **School-Based Therapist**

Department: **Secondary Education**

Salary: **Per GCSD Salary Schedule**

**Job Description:**

The Grand County School District, School-based Therapist position is for our middle school, grades 7-8, in Grand County School District located in Moab, Utah. The school-based therapist is responsible for providing direct mental health services in a timely manner, year round, to middle school age students experiencing behavioral and/or mental health difficulties. The therapist may also provide consultation services to school staff to support the overall mental health goals of the schools. The therapist must have a high degree of self-motivation, initiation, and engage in approved ongoing professional development. Preference will be given to a BCIA certified professional or one who is willing to complete certification within 6 months.

**\*\*\*The position will begin on a part-time basis, 20 hours per week, with benefits, from April 17, 2022 - June 2, 2022, where you will be trained by the therapist currently in this position. Beginning June 5, 2022 the position moves to full-time.\*\*\***

**Duties/Responsibilities:**

1. Provide direct mental health services including intake assessment, individual/family/group therapy, and crisis intervention to assigned clients.
2. Maintain regular contact with the parent/guardian of each client (if appropriate).
3. Complete treatment plans, treatment plan updates, progress notes.
4. Furnishes reports/updates to Juvenile Court, DCFs, school principals, school guidance counselors, teachers, treatment teams, and other involved agencies.
5. Attends regularly scheduled school staff meetings and clinical supervision meetings.
6. Provides consultation for school staff regarding mental health issues, as needed/requested by staff/administrators.
7. Provides complete and timely documentation to support services rendered.
8. Must consistently demonstrate the ability to establish and maintain good public relations with families, referral agencies and other community resources through appropriate organizational, written, and verbal skills.
9. Willingness to engage and grow in cultural competency.
10. Attend trainings/conferences with a neurobiology approach to treatment to improve therapeutic skills. (position includes a generous CE stipend)
11. Must have excellent attendance.
12. Other duties assigned.

**Knowledge/Skills:**

Must possess a strong knowledge of the common diagnoses and neuroscience based treatments for children ages 12-14 and possess the skills necessary to facilitate positive change in the school environment. Must possess an understanding of how trauma affects brain development and have trauma informed treatment skills.

**Education/Experience:**

1. Master's degree from an accredited University or College in the field of Social Work, Psychology or related field.
2. Licensed in the State of Utah to provide mental health services.
3. Experienced and comfortable working therapeutically with children ages 12-14.
4. Preference will be given to a BCIA certified professional or one who is willing to complete certification within 6 months. Preference given to applicants with specific trauma treatment training such as neurofeedback/neuromodulation, EMDR, Somatic Experiencing, IFS, DBR, Brainspotting.

**Additional:**

- Must be able to pass a background check.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality
- Ability to create and maintain relationships with clients, staff, and outside agencies
- Grand County School District is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, or disability.

Please submit cover letter and resume to:

Kelly Vagts @ [vagtsk@grandschools.org](mailto:vagtsk@grandschools.org)

And complete the application @:

<https://www.grandschools.org/apps/form/form.GRACSD.tsFKhFy.1JC>