



**SALESIAN
COLLEGE**
CHADSTONE EST. 1957

Invitation for Applications

COLLEGE COUNSELLOR

**Full-Time Appointment
Commencing January 2022**

Applications are invited from experienced and qualified College Counsellor for a full-time appointment. The Counsellor works in collaboration with the Principal the Assistant Principal – Students and the Deans.

Closing Date

9:00am
Wednesday, 3 November 2021

About Salesian College

Vision

A dynamic, joy-filled learning community, Salesian College inspires all boys to strive for excellence in the spirit of Don Bosco.

Mission

Salesian College Chadstone is a Catholic School for boys in the Salesian tradition. We welcome all boys and their families, celebrate diversity and promote relationships built on mutual respect. All in the community are treated as valued partners in laying the foundation for life-long learning. We celebrate the achievements of all within an environment of joy and optimism.

Salesian College Chadstone is committed to building a caring community which:

- Ensures that a Catholic and Salesian ethos underpins all aspects of College

life within an atmosphere of respect for all

- Promotes initiative, a spirit of enquiry and a desire to strive for academic excellence through innovative and supportive teaching
- Provides students and staff with every opportunity to develop all aspects of each individual
- Practises wise governance, strategic leadership and fair processes; and
- Works in partnership with parents, families, past pupils, parishes, educational and ecclesiastical institutions and other civic agencies.

Values

- Integrity
- Respect
- Belonging
- Joy
- Dynamism

**INSPIRE
EDUCATE
BECOME**
Great men



Role Description

The purpose of this position is to support the education of teenage boys by providing confidential counselling of students experiencing personal, relational, social or educational difficulties. The position also requires the School Counsellor to work as a member of the Student Services team to enable the best educational responsibilities

Duties

The Counsellor assists the Assistant Principal – Students in various ways, including:

- Therapeutic casework, referral and follow up
- Attendance of and contribution to Student Services team meetings and other staff meetings as required by the Principal
- Group and individual counselling sessions
- Risk assessment and referral
- Providing advice on appropriate referral options for students identified as needing additional testing or support including relevant assessments
- Being available for consultations with school staff
- Contributing to review of student and staff welfare policies
- Supporting the Student Services team to meet the social and emotional needs of the student by providing advice for individual learning plans
- Developing/supporting and at times facilitating therapeutic/support programs
- Participation in Crisis Management Planning when such situations arise
- Maintaining appropriate records
- Provision of written reports for the Principal, the family, pediatricians or other professional agencies/bodies when required
- Any other duties as required by the Principal or his delegate.

Qualifications

The College Counsellor must hold and maintain:

- Appropriate qualifications and or experiences in counselling with a background in Psychology, Youth work, Social Work, Family Therapy or equivalent
- (Desired) Accreditation to one or more of the Australian Psychological Society, Australian Guidance and Counselling Association, Australian Counselling Association or equivalent.

Selection Criteria

Essential Criteria

The successful candidate must be able to demonstrate the following:

- Recognised expertise as a student counsellor, whereby there is an ability to engage students in both preventative and responsive measures of support. This is inclusive of group and individual counselling, mediation, therapeutic guidance and other approaches as required.
- Knowledge and understanding of the wellbeing needs of young men
- Ability to contribute to the ongoing development of support programs
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- ICT competence
- Ability to work within and contribute to the Student Services team
- Maintain professional development requirements for registration.

Salary and Conditions

Salary for this position is in line with the Victorian Catholic Education Multi Employer Agreement as varied from time to time.

Applicants should submit:

- A covering letter of no more than one page outlining why the application is being made for the position
- A response of no more than one page on your ability and experience that will enable you to undertake various aspects of the role
- Curriculum Vitae
- The names and contact details of two relevant referees.

The Principal, Mr Mark Ashmore by email to:

employment@salesian.vic.edu.au



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