

ATITLE: ABORIGINAL OUTREACH WORKER
SECTION: School-Based
REPORTS TO: Administrative Officer

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SUMMARY

Under the general direction of the principal or designate, identifies and assists Aboriginal youth who are most seriously at-risk of becoming (or who already are) disconnected from school.

DUTIES

1. Develops a connection with at-risk youth and assesses individual situations; meets with the youth where they are located; hours to be flexible as needed (outside of normal school hours if necessary).
2. Assists youth in establishing connections with home, school and community support agencies.
3. Assists students integrating or reintegrating into the regular school system
4. Provides individual assistance and basic counselling to at-risk Aboriginal students with social-emotional or behavioral needs.
5. Liaises and participates in staff meetings, and with Aboriginal communities and parents as required.
6. Works with community agencies, school counsellors, district staff, and administrators to obtain supports for at-risk students.
7. Assists parents in supporting at-risk students.
8. Coordinates meetings of multi-disciplinary teams relative to student support.
9. Provides transportation of students as required.
10. Will on occasion be required to perform other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

- High school graduation and two years of post-secondary training in the human services field, preferably in the area of counselling, social work, child and youth care, or criminology
- Two years current related work experience
- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain respect for and from students
- Demonstrated knowledge of current community and agency resources
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills; Demonstrated ability to work effectively as a team member
- Knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal culture, history, and issues
- Demonstrated ability to work in unsupervised situations
- Ability to maintain the confidentiality of sensitive information seen or heard
- Demonstrated effective time management and organizational skills
- Physical ability to perform job requirements
- Valid BC Class 5 driver's license