



HITCHIN BOYS' SCHOOL

An Academy Trust

School Counsellor

32.5 hrs/wk, 39 wks/yr

Grade: H8/H9 FTE £28,226 - £35,336

Actual Starting Salary £21,302 – £26,668

(depending on qualifications and experience)

Join an OUTSTANDING school! Hitchin Boys' School (HBS) is a successful over-subscribed school with academy status. Following Ofsted's visit in September 2021, we were delighted to announce that we have once again received top marks by retaining the judgement of 'Outstanding'.

We are seeking to appoint a School Counsellor to provide a high-quality counselling service to our students, responding to social, emotional or educational concerns. The role will work alongside our pastoral support teams aiding the outcome of excellent teaching and learning for all students.

Our ideal candidate will work collaboratively with relevant staff making them aware of problems experienced by students and will make recommendations as to how these may be managed/resolved, as appropriate. They will offer pupils, a comfortable, safe, non-judgemental and confidential space to voice and explore their thoughts, feelings and worries, along with complex experiences and personal concerns and difficulties.

For this role, experience in a similar role and qualifications are essential. Candidates must have a recognised professional post-graduate counselling or psychotherapeutic qualification to Degree or Masters level or equivalent. They will also be accredited by the BACP, or registered with UKCP, BPS or other professional registering body and have a further therapeutic training/qualification in working with children and young people. Experience of safeguarding is essential as is the ability to maintain confidentiality within the school's safeguarding procedures.

If you think you have the potential to work as an outstanding school counsellor then we would be delighted to hear from you. We offer a secure, supportive environment, a full induction programme for all new staff and continuous professional development.

HBS is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS check will be carried out for all posts. Further details and an application form are available on the school website. Completed applications should be emailed to Mrs Becky Rose, HR Assistant at brose@hitchinboys.co.uk.

Closing date: 12 noon, Monday 11th July **Interviews:** w/e 15th July

HBS welcomes applications from all applicants who meet the requirements for the position, however we are especially keen to receive applications from those in minority groups for which the School is currently underrepresented. We celebrate diversity and thrive on the benefits it brings.

Head Teacher: Mr F Moane

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