



Los Angeles Unified School District Certificated Examination Announcement

Psychiatric Social Worker

Are you interested in a Career in Mental Health?

LAUSD is currently seeking Psychiatric Social Workers. Apply today!

JOB DESCRIPTION:

School Mental Health promotes the mental health, well-being and academic achievement of LAUSD students by providing a range of comprehensive mental health services including school wide prevention, early intervention and treatment. Mental Health professionals support positive student connections with peers, family, school and community by facilitating student development and the ability to successfully deal with problems, crises, or traumatic experiences. Mental Health professionals foster students' resilience— the ability to bounce back from challenges with a stronger sense of self-confidence and coping capacity by promoting healthy relationships, self-reflection and problem-solving skills to optimize school success.

Additional information regarding this position including specific job duties, knowledge, skills, abilities, personal characteristics, and minimum qualifications for this position, are available by viewing the classification description online at http://www.teachinla.com/Research/class_descriptions_alpha.html by clicking on "Psychiatric Social Worker" or class code "0569."

ASSIGNMENT AND SALARY:

Assignment is C-basis (12 pay periods, 204 paid days) on Schedule 33D (\$61,433 to \$76,505 annually) on the Special Services Salary Table.

QUALIFICATIONS:

To qualify for Psychiatric Social Worker, applicants will need to meet the following minimum requirements.

A. EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- An earned Master's or advanced degree of at least equivalent standard in social work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.
- One year of supervised employment in the field of psychiatric social work with school-age children or one year of supervised field placement experience (accredited by the Council on Social Work Education) in a school mental health setting working with school-age children.

B. LICENSURE AND CREDENTIALS

Candidates can meet the requirements of this section through one of the following options:

OPTION 1. The applicant must hold

- General Pupil Personnel Services Credential authorizing services in the field of social work service
- California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST) Verification Card demonstrating successful completion of the CBEST. A copy of the CBEST Verification Card must be included in the application unless the certified person holds a valid applicable California credential, which was initially issued prior to February 1, 1983.
 - For information regarding filing dates, fees, locations, etc., please visit www.cbest.nesinc.com

Note: Applicants hired under Option 1 must register for an Associate of Social Work (ASW) with the California Board of Behavioral Sciences immediately upon date of hire and will be required to obtain licensure as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in California, after completing 104 weeks of supervision and 3200 hours of supervised work experience. This process shall be completed within a four-year time frame.

OPTION 2. The applicant must hold

- A valid license as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) in California.
- A Services Credential with a specialization in Health designating social work service.

Notes: (1) Applicants eligible for the Services Credential with specialization in Health designating social work service are exempt from the CBEST requirements.

(2) Applicants hired under Option 2, are encouraged to obtain and a Pupil Personnel Services Credential authorizing services in the field of Social Work service. School Mental Health may provide guidance towards obtaining the credential.

C. HEALTH

Physical and mental fitness to engage in service as Psychiatric Social Worker must be certified by a licensed physician and surgeon or medical officer pursuant to Education Code Section 44839 and evidence of freedom from active tuberculosis pursuant to Education Code Section 49406.

D. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Must have a valid California Driver's License and the use of an automobile.

E. LANGUAGE, Desired

Bilingual Evaluation requires the applicant to pass the regular examination for the Psychiatric Social Worker class and receive level "A" certification in a District language specific evaluation (ability to speak, read, and write).

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Applications are available online at <http://www.teachinla.com/teachinla/splash.html> by clicking on Psychiatric Social Worker under the Support Services Jobs heading. Application materials that must be submitted with the application are listed in the application packet on the *Checklist for Required Application Materials* and must be submitted in person or U.S. Mail to:

*Los Angeles Unified School District – School Mental Health
333 South Beaudry Avenue, 29th Floor
Los Angeles, California 90017
Attention: Pia Escudero, LCSW, Director*

Filing Deadline: Applications are accepted on a continuous basis except during periods when there are sufficient numbers of available candidates on the eligibility list.

EXAMINATION PROCEDURE:

Candidates who submit a completed application and other necessary required application materials will proceed through the following examination process based on successful performance in each of the following exam parts:

1. Review of applications for minimum qualifications (See Qualifications section above)
2. Paper screen evaluation of application materials (resume, cover letter, etc.)
3. Standardized oral interview evaluation
4. Reference check evaluation

School Mental Health will be in contact with all applicants throughout the examination process. Should you have any questions, you may contact School Mental Health at (213) 241-3841.

ELIGIBILITY:

Placement on the eligibility list for Psychiatric Social Worker requires that the applicant successfully pass all parts of the Examination Process. The eligibility list is viable for one year.

Send In Your Application Today!