

POSITION DESCRIPTION

LEARNING SUPPORT OFFICER

DEPARTMENT	ECG Secondary College
REPORTS TO	Campus Principal
DATE	September 2024
POSITION OBJECTIVE	Partnering with teachers, assist students to achieve progress against the goals in their individual learning plans.
Achievement of the position objective will be reviewed against key performance indicators in the annual appraisal and review process and as required	

Our Values are reflected in our commitment to:

- * *Integrity*
- * *Inclusion*
- * *Quality*
- * *Collaboration*
- * *Safety*

Community College Gippsland (CCG) is a child safe organisation with zero tolerance for child abuse and is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all students. CCG supports and adheres to Child Safety Standards.

United we belong. Together we thrive.

The CCG community welcomes people from all backgrounds, abilities and identities. We are enhanced by our diversity and learn through inclusion, respect and understanding.

At CCG we:

- *Provide a safe and inclusive environment that is free from discrimination*
- *Empower students and harness their uniqueness through voice and agency*
- *Ensure equal employment opportunities for all and encourage the participation of underrepresented staff*
- *Celebrate the differences of our people and recognise their unique contributions to our community*

SCOPE OF THE ROLE

This position is responsible for assisting students with varying backgrounds, abilities, and levels of challenge, including complex behaviour and trauma. LSO's work with teachers to assist in day-to-day classroom activities, special events and activities. Literacy and numeracy support is enhanced by opportunities to engage students through their personal interests. LSO's are also encouraged to share appropriate passions with the school community encouraging diversity and creativity.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Professional relationships are established with students based on trust and mutual respect (strength-based approach).
- Demonstrate a positive and collaborative partnership with Teachers in working with students.
- Assist staff to provide a ramped approach to learning tasks with a focus on incremental goal setting.
- Information regarding student progress and areas of need are communicated to Teachers and/or Wellbeing staff in a timely manner.
- Complete administrative tasks and documentation utilising student management systems (Compass), including Individual Education Plans (IEPs), attendance, student progress, incidents or any behavioural or other significant matters in a timely and professional manner.
- Provide individual and/or group support as required including flexibility in moving between classes, groups and working with Wellbeing staff.
- When required, accompany students on excursions, school camps and other out of school activities.
- Participate in Peer Support Group (PSG) meetings and other College activities and events as requested.
- Maintain a high level of confidentiality and adhere to privacy requirements and mandatory reporting requirements.
- Participate in a continuous improvement cycle of professional development and implement learning.
- Work with Teachers to use effective classroom management strategies that encourage students to take responsibility for their behaviour in line with organisational policies and procedures.
- Perform other duties as requested, in a timely, professional, empathetic, accurate manner and in accordance with Community College Gippsland Policies and Procedures.
- Contribute to the safety of all students by adhering to the Child Safe Policies, Procedures and Codes of Conduct to ensure all students with CCG are in a safe and inclusive learning environment. CCG is a child safe organisation and is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all students. CCG has zero tolerance for child abuse.

ORGANISATIONAL FUNCTIONS

- Actively participate in and comply with the Health and Safety systems, policies and emergency procedures in place throughout the organisation including;
 - Promptly and accurately reporting all hazards, accidents, incidents and near misses.
 - Ensuring safe use and maintenance of equipment including PPE for self and students.
 - Maintaining a current knowledge of emergency evacuations procedures for all relevant campuses and participating positively in drills and training sessions.
 - Make recommendations for improvements in health and safety.
- Be aware of and participate in strategic planning process including making suggestions for improvements.
- Actively work with colleagues to build positive relationships and teamwork across the whole organisation.
- Perform other duties as requested, in a timely, professional, empathetic, accurate manner and in accordance with Community College Gippsland Policies and Procedures.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

- Demonstrate professional behaviour reflecting the values of CCG Community College Gippsland.
- Demonstrate highly proficient use of the Student Support System (currently COMPASS) with accurate and timely record keeping.
- Assist teaching staff with individualised program development.
- Support student wellbeing by having input into, utilising, and implementing quality and current IEP's and support plans.
- Professional learning is ongoing and part of a continuous improvement approach to teaching and learning as demonstrated by staff performance review and development plan.

KEY SELECTION CRITERIA

- Demonstrate experience in a secondary school environment supporting students and their learning, both in an individual and a group basis, to achieve their individual goals.
- Demonstrate excellent communication skills including technology based, and written and verbal, with students, their support networks, and staff, including the ability to empathise and advocate on student's behalf.
- Demonstrate an ability to maintain confidentiality, privacy principles, and the responsibilities of mandatory reporting.
- Demonstrated understanding of the social, cultural, economic, and educational support requirements of vulnerable students, in particular the barriers that may be faced by these young people and how to maximise their opportunities.
- Demonstrate an awareness of the importance of maintaining personal wellbeing while also supporting the wellbeing of students, and other staff.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

- Clear Police Check
- Clear Working with Children Check
- Current Victorian drivers' license

QUALIFICATIONS

Required

- Current WWC and National Police Check.
- Completion of a Certificate III in Education Support (or a commitment to undertake this training) or an equivalent appropriate qualification.

Desirable

- Current 'Provide First Aid' Certificate (HLTAID011) including current CPR requirements
- Current Anaphylaxis Training Certificate

FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Key Internal

Staff
Students

Key External

Families
Support Services

DECLARATION:

I have read, understand, and accepted the above Position Description.
I understand that the Roles, Functions and Key Performance Indicators in this Position Description, form part of the Community College Gippsland Contract of Employment.

Signed: _____

Date:

Name: