

## **BRANSON SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-82**

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Branson Community and School offers the best rural living and educational experience in Las Animas County. The Branson Community is populated by a rich mix of folks, including extended ranch families whose ancestors were among the original homesteaders in this area. Others are drawn here by job opportunities or to enroll their children in the well-regarded K-12 Branson School. The Branson School has long been a vital center of community life for residents of Branson and surrounding areas. The K-12, brick-and-mortar public school attracts students from as far as 50 miles away, drawn by deeply committed teachers and a family-friendly atmosphere. In addition, Branson School Online, created in 2001, reaches students across Colorado. In both settings, academics, sports, and extra-curricular activities including agriculture (FFA), National Honor Society, and eSports offer students the resources and opportunities they need to enhance learning and prepare for their futures. The Branson School District offers a competitive salary, housing for school employees, and the best rural school experience in Southern Colorado. Living in Branson, Colorado provides a unique opportunity to live in a community in which the residents are captivated by the peace, quiet, and natural beauty of the surrounding environment. We invite you to join the Branson School District in our exceptional one-of-kind rural community.

# School Counselor/District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) Job Description

#### **Counselor Job Responsibilities:**

- 1. Advises and counsels students regarding academics, career and college readiness, and social and emotional skills.
- 2. Remains universally accessible and makes an effort to know every student for whom they are responsible.
- 3. Provides individual student planning and responsive services to support students and their families regarding academic matters.
- 4. Teaches guidance classes and provides guidance counseling to students through planned activities in small group or classroom settings to convey educational, social, and important school information, and offers workshops/seminars for parents.
- 5. Consults, facilitates, and maintains communication with parents, teachers, administrators, and pertinent agents on specific student and parent academic and educational matters including academic modifications and/or accommodations.



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- 6. Provides feedback and recommends appropriate action and solutions to individual student's academic and educational needs and abilities.
- 7. Participates on a Student Success Team, identifies students who may need targeted or intensive services, and coordinates with behavioral health specialists.
- 8. Assists students/parents in understanding school policies and procedures.
- 9. Provides brief counseling to address social and emotional concerns and appropriately refers students to behavioral health specialists.
- 10. Communicates, coordinates, and collaborates with behavioral health specialists on developing and implementing student supports.
- 11. Supports and attends appropriate student activities and events.

#### **School Counselor Qualifications/Skills:**

- 1. Desire and ability to work with students at the specified age level with diverse backgrounds and levels of ability toward accomplishing their educational goals.
- 2. Ability to organize tasks and manage time to meet many and varied deadlines and communicate effectively with students, parents, school administrators and other staff, including the ability to discuss topics which may be sensitive.
- 3. Working familiarity with student assessment tools, especially in evaluating and interpreting standardized test results.
- 4. Knowledge of educational software.

#### **Education, Experience, and Licensing Requirements:**

Master's Degree in School Counseling, Counseling/Guidance, Education, or Social Work

#### **Desired Experience:**

- Minimum of 1 year of school counseling or teaching experience
- Understanding and familiarity with computer applications and word processing functions

#### Salary

Commensurate with education and experience



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#### **Starting Date**

August 1, 2023

#### **CLOSING DATE:**

Open until filled

To obtain the Branson School District application online, visit: https://bransonschooldistrict.com/human-resources/

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