

PROMOTIONAL & OPEN COMPETITIVE

EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT

HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE

(PLEASE POST PHYSICALLY)

It is the policy of the State Board of Education, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, that the Public School System Human Resources Office shall be applied and administered according to the principles of equal employment opportunity. Applications shall be evaluated regardless of age, race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, political affiliation or belief, marital status, disability, or national origin.

Applicants for this position must be eligible and authorized to work in the U.S., including the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

POSITION/TITLE: School Counselor (Highly Qualified)

EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT NO: **PSS-2025-054**

OPENING DATE: **July 25, 2025**

CLOSING DATE: **August 08, 2025**

SALARY: Pay Level: **Ungraded; Step(s): Ungraded; \$32,133.16 - \$76,529.74 Per Annum**

BENEFITS: Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience, plus excellent benefits (including Health/Life Insurance, Retirement Benefits, and Paid Leave/Holidays).

LOCATION: **Tinian Middle School & Tinian High School**

GENERAL OVERVIEW OF RESPONSIBILITIES:

To provide a comprehensive developmental guidance and counseling program for all students in the school he/she is assigned to. Works closely and cooperatively with teachers, administrators, parents, and staff to enhance personnel skills and knowledge in promoting student's education. Provide support to other educational and school guidance and counseling programs. He/she works cooperatively with the curriculum and instruction and the various curricular programs for guidance and counseling program development. The school counselor will be reporting to the school principal.

ESSENTIAL TASKS:

These are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work performed. The omission of specific duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical assignment to the position.

- Plan, implement and evaluate a comprehensive guidance and counseling program.
- Coordinate the development of educational and career plans for the students.
- Counsel individual students and group of students based on their needs and concerns.
- Coordinate and conduct activities related to the operation of guidance and counseling program.
- Pursue continuous professional growth.
- Refer students to appropriate special programs, specialists, and specific agencies.
- Coordinate career planning activities with vocational-technical schools, colleges, and universities.
- Assist students for secondary and post-secondary education transitions.

- Consult and train parents, teachers, administrators and other relevant individuals to effectively work with students in meeting their needs.
- Counsel individual and small group of students toward personal growth.
- Participate, coordinate, and conduct activities relative to the school developmental guidance and counseling program.
- Evaluate developmental guidance and counseling program.

FORTY (40) HOUR WORKWEEK:

The normal work period shall be a seven (7) days work period with a maximum non-overtime forty (40) hours.

The Public School System (PSS) operates on a 40-hour work week. Actual working hours will be determined on the basis of operational efficiency. School Principals, Supervisors or Program Managers will establish working schedules subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Education.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Graduation from U.S. accredited college or university with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher
- Must have a valid CNMI Basic I counseling certificate or higher.
- Pass appropriate PRAXIS II Content Knowledge Test.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (KSAs)

- Thorough knowledge of the practices, methods and techniques used in the administration and supervision of all facets of student and support services;
- Thorough knowledge of prescribed School Board policies, procedures, rules and regulations;
- Thorough knowledge of federal and local laws, codes, regulations and ordinances related to the areas of responsibility for student and support services;
- Excellent oral and written communication skills;
- Ability to motivate others to reach their fullest potential;
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with school officials, students, parents, teachers, support staff, associates, external organizations/companies, federal and local agency representatives.
- Awareness of and sensitivity to cultural and local community practices and norms.
- Knowledgeable on federal and local laws protecting the privacy of student data, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99, and Student Educational Records § 60-20-428 of the CNMI Public School System's Rules and Regulations.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

THE FOLLOWING LIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS POSITION:

1. COMPLETED PSS EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION FORM;
2. COPY OF DIPLOMA/DEGREE;
3. OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS (SEALED) *MUST BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE HR OFFICE FROM THE ACCREDITED INSTITUTION AND/OR THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CREDENTIAL EVALUATION SERVICES (NACES)*;
4. POLICE CLEARANCE *FROM THE MOST RECENT PLACE OF RESIDENCE (WITHIN THE PAST SIX MONTHS)*;
5. VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT; AND
6. MEDICAL CLEARANCE (*ONLY REQUIRED UPON OFFER FOR EMPLOYMENT*).

OTHER DOCUMENTS MAY BE REQUESTED AND MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS POSITION (IF THE PSS DETERMINES IT TO BE APPLICABLE):

1. CERTIFICATE/LICENSE (Teaching, CPA, Bar, SPHR, etc.)
2. RESUME
3. PRAXIS SCORES
4. TRAFFIC CLEARANCE
5. NATIONAL BACKGROUND CHECKS
6. National Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history checks with fingerprints
7. National Sex Offender Registry (SORNA) Check.
8. In-state (CNMI) Background Checks
9. In-state Criminal History Check with fingerprint.
10. In-state Sex Offender Registry Check
11. In-state Child Abuse and Neglect Registry Check.
12. Inter-state (out of the CNMI) Background Check
13. Inter-state Criminal History Check.
14. Inter-state Sex Offender Registry Check.
15. Inter-state Child Abuse and Neglect Registry Check.

INTERESTED APPLICANTS MAY OBTAIN AND SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS AND ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO THE PSS HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE AT CAPITOL HILL, BUILDING 1202, ISLETA COURT, SAIPAN or VIA EMAIL TO: PSSHR@CNMIPSS.ORG or MAILED TO: CNMI PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM, ATTN: HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE, P.O. BOX 501370 CK SAIPAN, MP 96950, TEL. NOS. (670) 237-3037/3031.

YOUR APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE PSS HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE ON OR BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE OF THE POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT.

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Application Type: Certified	FLSA Status: Exempt	Salary Grade/Step: Ungraded	Duty Station/Location: Tinian