

Title: School Nurse(Temporary)

Department: Operations

Reports to: Head Nurse

Exempt Status: Non-exempt

Position Status: Temporary: Full-Time

Last Updated: 12/2024

The Wheeler School, a co-ed, N-12 independent day school with city and farm campuses serving approximately 800 students in the Greater Providence and Greater Boston areas, is seeking a temporary full-time School Nurse to join our Operations team.

Ideal candidates for faculty and staff positions at Wheeler are people with a sense of humor, warmth, and humility. They are excellent communicators, with empathy for others and an ability to listen and respond with good intuition. Ultimately ambitious and hard-working, committed to supporting students by offering help and creating new opportunities. In the end, employees at Wheeler love to spend their days with young people and will enjoy all that Wheeler has to offer; creative, energetic, dynamic, and diverse.

Position Purpose:

In this position, the School Nurse is a member of the health and wellness team with the primary responsibility of delivery of care and coordination of health and wellness at the Farm for Wheeler, including the Nest, Grade 6 Farm Program or K to 12 Wheeler School, based on the needs of the school.

Responsibilities and Duties

- Assesses healthcare needs, develops and delivers health care, plans and education
- Provides assessment, identification, intervention, health record documentation, referral, and follow-up of students and adults in need of physical, social-emotional, behavioral and mental health care during the school day.
- Collaborates with health and wellness team members, faculty, administrative leaders to follow health related policies and procedures.
- Completes inventory of supplies, materials and equipment. Communicates with the Head Nurse in a timely manner to request orders for supplies.

- Consults with the Head School Nurse as needed.
- Serves as nurse member during a crisis response, as needed.
- Serves as nurse member of Division CARES teams as assigned
- Works as a team member in conjunction with faculty and staff and community practitioners to promote a safe and healthy school environment.
- Acts as an advocate for students' needs and serves as a liaison between parents/guardians and faculty members while maintaining student confidentiality, and attend family meetings as needed
- Identifies students who exhibit health or emotional needs and provide emotional support, health education, and crisis intervention as necessary.
- Collaborates with other nurses, athletic trainers and school counselors. Attends health and wellness meetings as needed
- Engages in collaborative communication with teachers and administrators and with parents using the "parent participation model".
- Responds to urgent and emergent health situations on campus, including referral to medical facilities.
- Manages the flow of students and adults through the Health Center, ensuring a calm, caring, welcoming and inclusive environment for children and adults.
- Encourages and educates the school community members on disease prevention strategies.
- As assigned, works at the city or farm campus as scheduled
- Completes administrative work as necessary related to the Health Center.
- Administers medication in accordance with health center policy and maintains safety and security of medications in the health center.

Qualifications

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing or equivalent
- Licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of Rhode Island and Massachusetts
- Current BLS CPR/AED certification
- Experience in early childhood and/or pediatric experience, behavioral health, ideally in an educational setting preferred
- A minimum of three to five years of experience, including in a school and outdoor/nature based setting preferred
- Experience and skill in culturally responsive care

This is a temporary position that is located full-time at our Farm campus in Seekonk or Providence city campus.

Interested candidates should email a resume and cover letter to Ian Moorhouse, Chief Operating Officer, at <u>judydiaz@wheelerschool.org</u> and cc <u>careers@wheelerschool.org</u> by March 15.

Statement on Diversity and Cultural Competency At Wheeler:

We actively seek students, faculty, and staff from diverse backgrounds, believing that a broad range of experiences and viewpoints enhances learning, enriches life on campus, and better prepares us all for full participation in a pluralistic, democratic society. We seek to further our community's overall diversity and cultural competency through hiring.

The Wheeler School is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity for all employees and qualified applicants without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, national origin or disability, and any other category protected by federal, state or local law.

To learn more about Wheeler, please visit <u>www.wheelerschool.org</u> and our <u>Careers</u> page here.

About The Wheeler School:

Founded in 1889 by visionary artist and educator Mary C. Wheeler, The Wheeler School is an N-12 independent day school of approximately 800 students throughout Greater Providence and Greater Boston. Wheeler's mission, "to learn our powers and be answerable for their use," is incorporated into our classrooms, athletic fields, art studios, and STEAM labs, as students are encouraged to think deeply and explore the world on and beyond our two campuses in the College Hill neighborhood of Providence, Rhode Island, and our 120-acre farm in Seekonk, Massachusetts. Across Wheeler's campuses and grades, dedicated faculty and staff identify students' learning path and passions, challenging and supporting them in pursuit of academic excellence, artistic expression, and personal growth. Our graduates are prepared for college and life as creative, ethical, and engaged global citizens. Wheeler is also home to The Hamilton School, where skilled faculty meet students' learning differences with the individualized instruction that leads to success.