School District No. 38 Richmond

The Richmond School District is an exciting, multicultural, educational organization that provides public education for 21,000 students K-12. We are a vibrant learning community that fosters students’ engagement, creativity, and well-being in inclusive learning environments through our focus on Big Ideas and Inquiry, Assessment and Communicating Student Learning and Social Emotional Learning.

This is a temporary full-time counselling position at McMath Secondary. The successful candidate must have training and experience in personal counselling with an emphasis on adolescent mental health issues, peer mediation, conflict resolution, self-esteem as well as an understanding of diverse personal, family and cultural issues. This position requires a teacher-counsellor who has consistently established supportive and open working relationships and is able to work as part of a collaborative team. McMath counsellors regularly collaborate and consult with other counsellors, teachers, parents and administrators and assist in the coordination of services as a member of the School Based Team and as a support liaison with outside agencies for referral purposes. The successful candidate must have a willingness and ability to build caring relationships with a wide range of students, including those who are emotionally and behaviourally at-risk. Genuine and effective communication and interpersonal skills are essential. A strong knowledge base in counselling adolescents in career and academic options, including course selection and related program planning for a wide variety of post-secondary pathways is required. The successful applicant will be knowledgeable and comfortable working with an online administrative software program (MyEducation BC) for balancing classes, scheduling students and tracking students’ marks data and graduation status. It is expected that the applicant will be available to meet with students, parents and others beyond the bell schedule and occasionally provide evening presentations to parents regarding adolescent issues, program planning and post-secondary options.

The successful candidate for this position must have current academic and professional preparation as well as counselling experience at the secondary grade levels. Please see Section D, Article 21 of the C.A. for the necessary qualifications needed for Counsellors.