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School Nurse – 2017-2018 School Year

Overview: In New Bedford, MA, only one in twenty students makes it to college. Alma del Mar Charter School aims to change this.

Alma del Mar is an inclusive K-8 charter school that puts students on a **college trajectory** and challenges them to be **service-minded leaders**. By engaging in a rigorous academic program with an emphasis on meaningful work, our students will master academic fundamentals, take ownership of their learning and think boldly while addressing complex academic and community issues.

Alma del Mar opened in August of 2011 with 120 students in grades K-2. During the 2015-2016 school year, we will serve 300 students in grades K-6.

After less than three years at Alma, our scholars outperform their district peers in reading ability and surpass their suburban peers in mathematics achievement.

School Nurse Responsibilities:

Provide Health Services for All Students

- Provide assessment, planning, intervention, evaluation, management, and referral for appropriate medical care of students with acute or chronic health conditions.
- Supervise prescribed medical treatments and medication administration in accordance with all regulations.
- Coordinate the provision of first aid supplies.
- Conduct vision and hearing screenings; coordinate dental screenings.
- Participate as a crisis team member and coordinate emergency services for students and staff in the event of sudden illness or injury.

Manage Student Health Care

- Assist in the development of all health-related policies and procedures
- Develop a medication protocol to safely store, administer, document, and monitor the effectiveness of medication given at school
- Monitor compliance with current state immunization and health assessment requirements.
- Participate in the development of IEPs and 504 plans to address individual needs
- Build relationships with other medical providers in New Bedford and surrounding communities
- Prepare health reports for supervisor, Department of Education and Department of Public Health



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- Monitor the spread of contagious illness and draft management plans as necessary

Offer Education and Professional Development

- Develop and teach health curriculum for all students
- Educate families regarding health-related issues through written communication, verbal contacts, and home visits when necessary
- Train staff regarding medication administration, medical procedures, acute/chronic illness management, prevention and control of communicable disease, emergency care, and other health-related issues.
- Provide assistance and counseling or students with psychological and medical concerns and/or physical limitations; ensure that the environment is suitable for students with conditions such as asthma.
- Serve as consultant and resource for health and wellness promotion, e.g. hygiene, nutrition, increasing physical activity, weight management, smoking cessation.
- Provide information regarding the availability of community resources and assist families in the utilization of health care and treatment services.

Manage day-to-day administrative responsibilities:

- Provide coverage for the front desk in the morning and during lunch
- Assist with school paperwork and with other administrative duties

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree
- At least two years of experience working with children and families in a school or community setting
- Must hold a current license to practice in Massachusetts

Start: The Nurse should be available during July and August to assist with child screenings and to participate in professional development. School will open on August 17.

Compensation: Salary will be competitive and commensurate with experience. Alma del Mar provides a comprehensive benefits package.

To Apply: Please send your resume and cover letter to apply@almadelmar.org.

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