

School Counsellor

School:	South Wigston High School	Posted:	29th April 2025
Location:	St Thomas' Road, South Wigston, Leicestershire LE18 4TA	Expires:	23rd May 2025
Contract Type :	Permanent	Start Date:	09:00 AM
Salary:	£34,314 to £37,035	Job ID:	As Soon As Possible
Hours:	Part Time, Term Time	Job Reference:	1479960
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14 to 30 Hours per week (days to be agreed)

Permanent

Grade 7 Point 19-22

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If you are looking for a rewarding role whilst working with a friendly and supportive group of people committed to the success of the students they work with, then this is the school for you.

We are delighted to be growing our support team to further ensure our students receive the best level of support possible and the support they deserve!

South Wigston High School is a vibrant, exciting 11-16 school on the outskirts of Leicester. Our students are enthusiastic and our staff are welcoming, hardworking and supportive. We are currently looking to appoint an enthusiastic and committed Counsellor to contribute to the work of South Wigston High School by providing expert counselling and support to learners to help them to overcome emotional, personal and social barriers to learning and wellbeing.

If you are someone who has always wondered whether you would be suited to a career in education this is a fantastic opportunity for you to find out and gain valuable experience.

The successful candidate will:

- Provide a high-quality counselling service, where learners' concerns can be explored in confidence
- Assess the appropriateness of counselling for learners
- Work within professional standards and ethical boundaries, maintaining a high level of discretion and confidentiality, upholding good practice as described by the BACP/UKCP ethical guidelines
- Work with a diverse range of issues including bereavement and loss, transition, eating disorders and self-harm, depression, anger management and erratic behaviour, abuse of any kind, anxiety and fears
- Maintain accurate records of work undertaken with each learner

We promise:

- That every day you'll get the opportunity to inspire young people and use your skills to give something back. Our students are amazing... that's a promise!
- To support you professionally and personally by providing excellent professional development within our supportive community where staff debate teaching and learning. In addition to our academy based CPD, staff can also opt into Trust led professional development
- You are joining ambitious team with a clear vision for the school

We offer:

- Gym access – onsite and completely free for staff
- Access to the highly competitive Teacher's Pension Scheme
- Favourable annual leave entitlement, above the statutory minimum, plus bank holidays.
- Staff Wellbeing Package - Access to a number of free services, including confidential counselling sessions, GP Helpline, physiotherapy, virtual gym, weight management, menopause, mindfulness and relaxation sessions.
- Staff Benefits Package - Access to a huge range of savings from retailers such as Currys, Halfords, Wilko, Asda, Tesco, M&S, Morrisons and many more!

- Cycle to Work Scheme

- Free Financial Support Service from Barclays

- Eye Test Vouchers – Free SpecSavers eye test voucher for eligible staff

- Free onsite parking

This has to be the right move for you - we strongly recommend that you visit South Wigston High School before applying to see why this is such an exciting opportunity. It is a very exciting time to join us! If you would like to truly make a difference to our students, and to be part of our exciting journey to build on our success, we would love to hear from you.

Interviews to be held week commencing 2nd June 2025.

Safeguarding Statement:

The Learning without Limits Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All offers of employment are subject to an Enhanced DBS with barred list check, and a prohibition from teaching check will be completed for all applicants.

This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (2013 and 2020). This means that certain convictions and cautions are considered 'protected' and do not need to be disclosed to employers, and if they are disclosed, employers cannot take them into account. Guidance about whether a conviction or caution should be disclosed can be found on the Ministry of Justice website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/new-guidance-on-the-rehabilitation-of-offenders-act-1974>

Social Media Checks

As part of the shortlisting process, in line with measures identified in statutory guidance relating to safeguarding practice, the Trust will conduct searches on candidates selected for interview, through a third party, on social media in order to identify anything that could give rise to a safeguarding concern in what has been said or done online. Only information relevant to safeguarding concerns obtained from the search will be passed over for consideration during the recruitment process.

Diversity Statement

As an equal opportunities employer, the Learning without Limits Academy Trust is committed to the equal treatment of all current and prospective employees and does not condone discrimination on the basis of age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, pregnancy and maternity, race or ethnicity, religion or belief, gender identity, or marriage and civil partnership.

We aspire to have a diverse and inclusive workplace and strongly encourage suitably qualified applicants from a wide range of backgrounds to apply and join us.