

Position Description - Chaplain

Scope

To facilitate and provide pastoral care for students and supporting students in exploring their spiritual beliefs and world views.

Qualifications

Staff are encouraged to hold a formal qualification and to advance their skills and knowledge base. One of the following qualifications is required for this position, or commence training immediately.

- Cert IV in Youth Work, or
- Cert IV in Pastoral Care; or
- Cert IV in Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care; or
- An equivalent qualification that includes competencies in 'mental health' and 'making appropriate referrals'.

A current Positive Blue Card – Working with Children Card First Aid Certificate Light rigid drivers licence – to drive College coaster buses – desired but not essential

Accountability

Principal

Relates to

Principal, Classroom Primary / Middle School Teachers, Support staff

Attributes

These are generally personal in nature and reflect the desired attributes of staff members working as part of the Administration/Teacher Assistant Team.

- Have a personal faith and commitment to Jesus Christ
- To act always in a manner consistent with the College Ethos.
- To foster team-work within the office.
- To prioritise and effectively manage workload
- To communicate effectively with parents, students, and staff
- To communicate well in both written and oral form
- Is a collaborative, compassionate and calm leader with exceptional interpersonal skills
- Demonstrate a level of commitment to maintain personal professional knowledge and skills
- Combines gravitas, presence and humour and diplomacy in delicate situations
- Maintain strict confidentiality, with a clear understanding of mandatory reporting of child protection issues.

Responsibilities

Provided below are the primary responsibilities for this position. From time to time other duties may be deemed necessary and these will be determined in conjunction with the person/s to whom you are accountable. Attention should be given to maintaining the priority of the duties listed below. Responsibilities described in the Position Profile will be reviewed annually.

- Working with classroom teachers and others responsible for pastoral care, being a trusted point of contact for the spiritual, social, emotional and physical wellbeing of students.
- Lead and manage all weekly Chapel Services, liaising with classroom teachers and teacher assistants as required.
- Lead special services such as Easter and Christmas
- Role model and affirm the Gulf CC values
- Meet with students as required in groups or individually. All pastoral care notes on students must be logged in our TASS software program
- Plan and operate specific age-appropriate groups / clubs for students.
- Regularly liaise with Principal and Teachers in relation to individual needs of students, as required. Assist in the promotion of student attendance at the College on a regular daily basis.
- Conscientiously care for the safety and welfare of children both within and beyond the classroom
- Assist teachers within classrooms for student wellbeing, care and support with academic programs as required.
- Assist with bus driving duties mornings and afternoons to ensure the attendance of students is high, if required.
- Participate in extra and co-curricular activities as required
- Take an active role in playground supervision as a priority
- Attend school camps and excursions as required
- Attend all staff meetings and school PD activities
- Pursue personal professional development opportunities
- Work as an active team member to foster a supportive and stimulating working, learning and caring environment.
- To assist teachers in organizing classroom performances such as Chapel items, End of Year Celebrations, in relation to positive student participation, Christian content and ethos
- Development and promotion of pastoral care related policies and procedures, together with relevant cultural programs as required.
- To understand scope of role in relation to College Policies and Procedures
- Demonstrate discretion in relation to sensitive information regarding students, parents and/or staff.
- Be well-informed in relation to responsibilities under the Privacy Act.
- Be well-informed in relation to responsibilities under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 2000 and revisions 2004.
- Any other duties as may be directed by the Principal.

Reference Documents Child Protection Policy

Work Health and Safety Policy

Privacy Policy

GCC Staff Code of Conduct

Review Annually

Award Educational Services (Schools) General Staff Award

Hours Full time position (including school holiday periods)

Mondays to Friday – 8.00am to 3.30pm