

School Psychologist



About WNS

Williamsburg Northside School (WNS), a growing co-educational, progressive N-8 institution located in Brooklyn, New York, with an enrollment of just over 360 students, has two campuses: the preschool campus for 2s and 3s and just a few blocks away, the PK-8 campus (willnorth.org). Stemming from the Reggio roots planted in its long-running preschool program, Northside takes a decidedly student-centric approach to learning that puts autonomy, self-discovery, and iterative practice front and center. It blends a robust, project-based environment with the most innovative and proven curricular approaches from around the world. Inspired by its motto, *Aude Quaerere*, dare to ask, Northside is dedicated to sparking a lifelong love of learning, and showcasing that effective collaboration, generosity of spirit, and pure intellectual curiosity not only leads to success but to significance and a greater sense of purpose.

The Position

Williamsburg Northside School seeks a dynamic, innovative, and passionate full-time School Psychologist for the 2020-2021 school year. This full-time, 10-month position is responsible for working with students, teachers, and parents from grades pre-k through eight in helping to address the psychological and developmental needs that arise for students during these years. This role requires the ability to work with multiple administrators and cross-divisionally. Support is also given to families and faculty at the preschool as needed.

Major Duties & Responsibilities

- Direct parent consultation and support regarding childhood development and parenting strategies is provided to problem-solve the needs of individual students and their families, and referrals to outside providers are made when needed or requested.
- Consults with teachers and provides guidance on areas related to student behavior, academic concerns and social emotional development, and conducts classroom and student observations as needed.
- Coordinates outside referrals and collects feedback from outside neuropsychological evaluations.
- Involved in evaluating eligibility for learning and testing accommodations and supporting in concert with the Student Support Team.
- Contribute to and participate in divisional and school-wide health programs.
- Identify and address learning and behavior problems that interfere with school success.

- Maintain student records, including reports of meetings, confidential records, records of services provided, and behavioral data and share these data with appropriate school personnel.
- Promote school policies and practices and respond to crises by providing leadership, direct services, and coordination with school personnel.
- Engage respectfully with families and demonstrate sensitivity to cultures, values, configurations, and beliefs.
- Demonstrate a passion for lifelong learning and actively pursue professional development rooted in individual and schoolwide goals.
- Participate in the school community, including faculty and committee work, and school duties.
- Promote respect for diversity, equity, and inclusion as a core value of the School, a shared responsibility in partnership with the school community.

Knowledge, Skills & Abilities

- Outstanding interpersonal, organizational and communication skills.
- Ability to work cooperatively with students and their parents, staff, and community members who are culturally, racially, and linguistically diverse.
- Ability to communicate effectively with parents, students, and staff verbally and in writing.
- Commitment to collaboration in a professional learning community.
- Evidence of continuous professional learning and a commitment to participate in professional growth opportunities and self-reflection on professional practice.

Qualifications

- Master's degree or higher in school counseling or psychology.
- Experience working in a culturally diverse community.
- Prior experience in an independent school setting preferred.

Application Information

- Please apply by sending your resume, cover letter, a one-page educational philosophy statement, and names of three references to wnjobs@willnorth.org. Williamsburg Northside School welcomes candidates who will add to the diversity of our community and who have demonstrated commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion in their teaching and learning.

Williamsburg Northside School is an equal opportunity employer. WNS has an ongoing commitment to the principles and practices of diversity and inclusiveness and strongly encourages applications from candidates who would enhance the diversity of the school's administration and faculty.

