4.6 Mental Health Therapist

Background
The Edmonton Society for Christian Education values children as image-bearers of Christ and desires to support the healthy spiritual, physical, mental and emotional development of each child. To that end, the Society employs a Christian School Support Team composed of (2) Pastoral Care Leaders and a Mental Health Therapist to work in all three schools.

The Mental Health Therapist position is staffed on a year-to-year basis and is subject to an annual performance review.

Supervisor(s)
Executive Director of ESCE and ECS Principal's or their designate

Position Summary
The mental health therapist provides mental health support to adolescents, children and families in a school-based setting.

Roles and Responsibilities
- Provide counseling activities including but not limited to: enhancing coping skills, emotion regulation skill building, providing family supports, promoting communication and social interaction, family relationship enhancement, parenting education, substance abuse education and/or treatment, and/or support for a variety of presenting mental health concerns
- Complete required assessments, treatment plans, progress reports, case notes, and any other required documentation
- Provide class presentations and staff inservices on a variety of mental health related topics
- Crisis response support when required
- Maintain all required licenses, certification and continuing education requirements for province licenses and certifications
- Maintain ethical boundaries with clients, families, and others
- Ensure confidentiality of clients
- Attend all client, staff, in services, conferences and other meetings as assigned or scheduled
- Represent and conduct self in accordance with ESCE’s Mission, Vision, and Values
- Reports to school administration while working at each school
- Completes and provides regular reports to Executive Director at ESCE on workload and performance
- Maintains regular communication with Executive Director and school administration
- Perform other duties as assigned

Qualifications
- Master’s degree (M.A.(MFT), M.Counseling, M.A.(School counselling), or equivalent)
- Must pass mandatory reporter training and any additional training required
- Must pass criminal record check and child intervention check
- Must be registered with regulatory body
- Identify as Christian and profess a faith in Christ