



January 24, 2012

**Secondary Youth Worker
Alternative Suspension**

Position Status 7 - 15 hours per week
Wage \$13.11 to \$14.60
Start Date February 6 2012

NATURE AND SCOPE

The *Alternative Suspension* Program is a national initiative that is a resource for students who, for different reasons, are temporarily suspended from the school they attend. The goal of this program is to decrease the number of repeated suspensions by offering young people an opportunity to transform the time they spend on suspension into a positive experience all of which is accomplished through educational workshops, individual interventions and group activities.

The secondary youth worker will be an important member of the local team supporting this program in their respective Alternative Suspension service site. Reporting to the program manager and the Primary Youth Worker the secondary youth worker is responsible for providing services under the *Alternative Suspension* program and ensures its proper functioning for their service site. The secondary youth worker will interact directly with middle and secondary students in program environment.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience working with at-risk youth
- Experience working with youth in a preventative approach.
- Well developed interpersonal, and relationship building skills; ability to establish rapport and excellent communication with youth participants, staff and volunteers; excellent written communication skills.
- Experience and sensitivity in dealing with members of different cultural and racial backgrounds, including visible and invisible dimensions of diversity.
- Must be able to work flexible hours.

Apply in writing to:

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Please be advised that offers of employment are contingent upon the successful completion of a police records check.

Due to the number of applications only shortlisted candidates will be contacted