

Young Carer Education Worker

Fife Young Carers are looking for a creative and energetic individual with experience in an education setting, who will be responsible for assisting in the identification and support of young carers within education. The main duties will include the planning and delivery of awareness raising sessions for both students and staff as well as the development of relevant support networks within educational settings. To achieve this the post-holder will be required to form links between Fife Education Directorate and Fife Young Carers.

Location: Based in Glenrothes at Eastfield Industrial Estate, Newark Road North, KY7 4NT. You must be willing to travel throughout Fife and occasionally further.

Hours of Work: Full time, 35 hours per week. This post requires flexible working hours which will include some evening and weekend work.

Salary: You will be paid £25,607 – £26,390 per annum starting at the lower scale and rising incrementally until the top salary is reached.

Travel Allowance: The post-holder must be willing to travel throughout Fife and occasionally further. Travel expenses will be paid in accordance with current mileage allowances or at cost if public transport is used.

Annual Leave: Entitlement is 35 days per year inclusive of Public Holidays, this rises annually until a ceiling of 40 days is reached.

Disclosure: A full disclosure check through the PVG scheme is mandatory.

Reporting: directly to a Service Manager, the post-holder will be part of a team of staff and volunteers, all of whom are expected to be involved in the development and planning of the service as a whole. You will have a case load and will carry out needs assessments and work holistically in a solution-focussed way to enable them to meet outcomes.

The job might be for you if:

You are awesome at:

- Empathising and offering emotional support to children and young people.
- Establishing and maintaining effective partnership work with primary schools, secondary schools and further education establishments in Fife.
- Networking, developing and maintaining professional relationships.
- Developing, planning and delivering presentations to a variety of audiences.

- Working as part of Fife Young Carers Team and link with schools in Fife, supporting and advising School Champions/Guidance staff on issues affecting young carers.
- Putting in place mechanisms to allow young carers to identify themselves in education and facilitate their access to support.
- Working with young carers to assess the level and range of their needs.
- Developing, planning and delivering awareness sessions staff and students.
- Developing and disseminating information about young carers, Fife Young Carers service and support available to both education staff and students.

You are good at:

- Working on your own initiative or part of a team.
- Record keeping, monitoring, evaluation and report writing.
- Advocating on behalf of young carers as appropriate.
- Interpersonal, communication and listening skills.
- Working flexibly.
- Using Microsoft packages and are computer literate.

You also have:

- Commitment to the rights of children and young people.
- Experience of working with vulnerable children and young people.
- Relevant Education, Community Development, Social Care or Youth Work Qualification at SVQ3 or above (or equivalent).
- Knowledge and understanding of GIRFEC.
- Experience of carrying out needs assessment for service users.
- Group work experience.
- Understanding of child development.
- Understanding of young carers issues.
- Ability to record, monitor and evaluate work.
- Full and valid driving licence and access to a car.

If all of this sounds too good to be true and you can't wait to get started, please complete and return the application form, located on our website, and return to admin@fifeyoungcarers.co.uk.

Closing Date: Friday 25th October 2024 at 5pm, or earlier if enough applications are received.

Interview Dates: Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th of October 2024. Interviews are in person at our Glenrothes base.

If you would like to discuss this role further before applying, please contact our office number 01592 407 262. We look forward to hearing from you.