



Resilient Southern Illinois (RSI) Partnership Organizer Position Announcement

The Partnership for Resilience and its affiliate, Resilient Southern Illinois (RSI), work to improve academic, health, and social outcomes for children by fostering trauma-responsive schools and effective family, school, health, and community partnerships. Resilient Southern Illinois has a membership of 18 school district with 16,124 students in 40 schools, all in the southernmost 15 counties of the state. RSI brings together key organizational partners including the Illinois Education Association, SIU Center for Rural Health and Social Service Development, the Harvard Education Redesign Lab, Egyptian Public and Mental Health and the Southern Illinois Coalition of Children and Families. The RSI Partnership Organizer will collaborate with a team of other staff and consultants who are creating an innovative regional backbone organization to support southern Illinois schools.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- A primary responsibility of the Partnership Organizer is to work collaboratively with school district-based “Resilience Teams” of teachers, administrators, union leaders, and support staff to help their schools become trauma-responsive. This includes:
 - Facilitating district conversations to shape an action plan for becoming trauma-responsive;
 - Conducting regular District Liaison meetings to share information and troubleshoot problems that arise;
 - Organizing quarterly professional development sessions for the educators and their partners; and
 - Providing on-going support and coaching to the district teams both on site and through periodic phone and digital contact.
- The Partnership Organizer will facilitate district conversations to conduct needs assessments at each district to identify priorities for new partnerships and build relationships with primary care, behavioral health, family/community engagement and other providers in in southern Illinois who might have an interest in working with RSI schools
- Finally, the Partnership Organizer will assist with training, fundraising, communications and other efforts to grow and expand the partnership.

SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Five to ten years of experience teaching or working with schools, families and communities.
- Demonstrated success and ability to building relationships with diverse stakeholders.
- Knowledge and awareness of ACEs, resilience, school climate, SEL and school mental health frameworks.
- Data collection and management; compiling and reporting data.
- Experience developing and facilitating professional development trainings and awareness of adult learning theories and ability to apply adult learning principles when coaching school-based professionals.
- Experience creating and managing partnerships.
- Ability to communicate effectively and persuasively in oral and written forms to a broad range of audiences.
- Baccalaureate Degree required; Master’s Degree in education, policy or social work preferred.
- Prefer experience in rural schools or settings.
- Car for travel to school site meetings in the region. Willingness to work more than 40 hours per week when the job requires it.

SALARY: A competitive compensation package based on experience.

REPORTS TO: RSI Coordinator and Partnership for Resilience Coordinator; collaboration with other RSI team members.

HOW TO APPLY: Send cover letter, resume, writing sample and 3 references to Lenz@Consultmillennia.com by September 1, 2019. Position open until filled.

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