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Position Title: Student Parent Support Worker

Type of Position: 1 FTE

The Student Parent Support Worker will work closely with the Pathways to Education team, under the day-to-day guidance and ongoing coordination of the Student Parent Support Worker Coordinator. The Student/Parent Support Workers are responsible for ensuring the identification of challenges facing students and parents/guardians registered with the Pathways program. They must also provide ongoing communication, advocacy and programming among the students, their parents/guardians, and secondary schools in order to support student success by developing students' and parents'/guardians' understanding of the secondary school system, and their capacities to successfully engage secondary school teachers and administrators to support the achievement of Pathways youth.

The successful candidate will have:

- Successful experience as a tutor or mentor, preferably with high school age youth from diverse backgrounds
- Detailed knowledge of the secondary school curriculum and challenges, preferably gained through direct experience with secondary school teachers, administrators and support staff, including knowledge of approaches to providing support to youth with special educational challenges and needs
- An understanding of the strengths and capacities of, as well as the barriers and challenges faced by youth such as those enrolled in the Pathways to Education program, with a particular focus on factors affecting educational success and personal development of students from diverse cultural backgrounds in low-income communities
- Knowledge of, and experience with, informal individual counselling techniques
- Knowledge of, and experience with, small group dynamics and experience in facilitation appropriate to youth and adults from a variety of cultural backgrounds
- Experience in planning and delivering successful informal programming for youth
- An understanding of issues affecting the diverse populations of Chandler-Mowat, Kingsdale/ Courtland-Shelley and the surrounding areas, including general issues affecting low-income communities
- Knowledge of community and social service resources, in particular services for youth which can support their individual emotional and social development
- An understanding of anti-oppression concepts and their application.

Application Details:

Candidates are invited to submit their resume, along with a written letter to Megan Conway, Pathways Program Director by 4:00 PM on Friday July 2, 2010 or by email at pathways@mosaiconline.ca.