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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

WORKING TITLE	Project Director
PAYROLL CLASSIFICATION	E1111 Project Director I
DEPARTMENT	CLIMB MTSS
STATUS	Full-Time Benefitted Exempt
POSTING DATE	October 23, 2026
POSITION NUMBER	2755

OVERVIEW

The Capacity, Leadership, and Innovation for Mental and Behavior Health through a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (CLIMP MTSS) is an innovative partnership between Lawndale Elementary School District (LESD) and California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) designed to build sustainable district capacity and leadership to deliver comprehensive school-based mental and behavioral health (MBH) and substance use prevention and intervention services for preschool through eight-grade students. Implemented districtwide in Los Angeles County, California, the project will strengthen leadership infrastructure, expand the school-based workforce, engage school-community partnerships, empower families, and increase access to evidence-based prevention, early intervention, and intensive support that promote student well-being and resilience.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The project director will oversee the 5-year grant from the university perspective including ensuring the CLIMB MTSS goals and objectives are met.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Convening district personnel meetings and development training
- Conduct needed assessments
- Plan and implement schoolwide prevention (Tier 1), targeted interventions (Tier 2) and referral processes for intensive (Tier 3) behavioral and mental health services
- Build district infrastructure and leadership to implement the CLIMB MTSS framework as a sustainable, integrated system for school mental and behavioral health
- Increase workforce capacity to provide coordinated prevention, early intervention, and behavioral health services
- Establish sustainable systems for continuous quality improvement and long-term implementation of the CLIMB MTSS framework
- Meet all federal reporting requirements, including attending any training or conferences by the funder
- Travel to annual SAMHSA project meetings in the DC area
- Other duties as assigned. This job description is not designed to contain or be interpreted as a comprehensive inventory of all duties, responsibilities and qualifications required of employees assigned to the job.

EDUCATION, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Minimum qualifications:

- Master's degree in education, school psychology or related field
- Experience implementing MTSS in a public-school setting
- Knowledge regarding evidence-based mental and behavioral health assessments and interventions

Preferred qualifications:

- Ed.S. degree and PPS credential in school psychology
- Three years of experience in implementing system change at a K-12 level
- Knowledge and experience working in a federal grant

Must be able to accept constructive criticism, prioritize workload, be dependable, behave professionally and interact positively with others. Regular, punctual attendance required. This position is employed through the CSULB Research Foundation. Employment is at-will.

POST OFFER BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENT

A post offer background check (including a reference and criminal records check) must be completed, and the individual cleared, before they can start work with the CSULB Research Foundation. No information will be required prior to the offer of employment. Once an offer of employment is made, failure to complete the background check and receive clearance may affect the application status of a new hire individual and/or the continued employment of a current CSULB Research Foundation employee who has applied for/moved into a new position. Individuals working with minor children and/or the elderly will be required to renew their live scan fingerprinting and be cleared every twelve (12) months. Information obtained through the background check does not automatically disqualify an individual from employment.

GRANT FUNDED EMPLOYMENT

This position is restricted to the conditions set forth in the grant. Ongoing employment is contingent upon satisfactory job performance and continual renewal of grant money/availability of funds.

LOCATION: 80% remote, 20% onsite at Lawndale Elementary School District

COMPENSATION RANGE: $3,715.29 (24 pay per year) (Exempt)

FILING DEADLINE: Open Until Filled

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APPLICANT PROCEDURE

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- By Mail/Delivery: 6300 State University Drive, Suite 332, Long Beach, CA 90815
- By Confidential HR Fax: 562. 985.1726
- By DocuSign or E-mail: FND-HR@CSULB.EDU (put Job# in the Subject line)

A separate application is necessary for each employment opportunity posting. The employment Application can be found alphabetically on our website at https://www.csulb.edu/research-foundation, under the Forms, then the Human Resources tab. It is the responsibility of the applicant to clarify on their application their ability to perform the job for which they are applying. Individuals requiring a reasonable accommodation to apply for this position should provide necessary information to the Director of Human Resources. Additionally, individuals invited to interview for this position

should inform the Director of Human Resources at the time of invitation, of any requirements for a reasonable accommodation.

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