

Position Description: Youth Worker	
ROLE TITLE	Youth Worker
LOCATION	St Laurence Flexible Learning Centre, Newcastle
NETWORK	Youth Plus Institute in partnership with Youth+ South East Flexi Schools Network and the Catholic Education Office Maitland Newcastle
SALARY OR AWARD	NSW Catholic Independent Schools (Support Staff – Model B) Multi-Enterprise Agreement 2017
EMPLOYMENT STATUS	Continuing Full-time
COMMENCEMENT	Term 1, 2019
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INFORMATION for Applicants	Applications limited to a one-page summary sheet and an attached detailed resume/cv including current referees. Email to recruitment@youthplus.edu.au
JOB REFERENCE NO.	STLFLC / YW01
CLOSING DATE	19 November 2018

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply

Primary Objective: Develop a deep professional relationship with disenfranchised young people for education outcomes, family support, and community engagement within a trauma informed framework. Work collaboratively with the FLC team to support the provision of culturally appropriate, accessible, quality education and engagement with community.

Context Statement: Youth+ is an initiative of Edmund Rice Education Australia. Youth+ services including Flexible Learning Centres (FLCs) which offer a full-time and multiyear secondary education and social inclusion program for young people who are disengaged/disenfranchised from mainstream education. Refer to www.youthplus.edu.au - Publications for further information. The St Laurence's FLC is a newly registered school within the Catholic Schools Office Maitland Newcastle in partnership with Edmund Rice Education Australia Youth+.

Key Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Engage with and implement the principles and programs guided by the Youth+ relational pedagogy including the operation by principles (Respect, Honesty, Safe and Legal and Participation)
2. Support young people to access support services e.g. counselling, health support, community activities, work experience
3. Work collaboratively with the team to develop cultural links, community and family connections which support the engagement and connection of young people to learning and the wider community
4. Collaborate with the team to support a socially inclusive program that responds to the physical, intellectual, social, spiritual and cultural needs of young people
5. Participate in the daily routines and activities of the Centre e.g. morning meetings, lunch, electives, outings, camps
6. Maintain appropriate records and prepare reports as required
7. In class support.

Selection Criteria:

1. Understanding of working under four principles of operation: Respect, Participation, Safe and Legal, and Honesty (Refer to Occasional Paper available on www.youthplus.edu.au for further information)
2. Well-developed interpersonal skills with a proven ability to work within a trauma informed environment
3. Relevant experience and skills working within a youth support and/or mentoring framework with young people at risk of social isolation, juvenile justice involvement, education disengagement and unemployment and who may be living in care
4. Proven ability to work in a team and establish and maintain good working relationships and networks
5. Certificate IV in a youth related field
6. Full Drivers Licence.

Highly Desirable:

Experience in a youth related field.

Further Information: All applicants must have a current Working with Children Check.