

Guidance Counselor - Green Mountain Unio...

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Profile

Application Date: Apr 17, 2020

Name	Landen Troy Elliott-Knaggs		
Other/Birth Name(s)	n/a	Social Security #	___ - ___ - ____
Current Address	PO Box 463 Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557	Permanent Address	
Phone Number	8025798236		
Email	landen.lek@gmail.com		
Web Site	None provided		

Career Information

Highest Degree	Master	Credits Beyond Degree	None
Date Available To Start	August 3, 2020		
Currently under contract? No If yes, where?			
Eligible to work in US without sponsorship?	Yes		

Additional Information

Referral Source	SchoolSpring.com
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Job Posting Information

Job Title	Guidance Counselor - Green Mountain Union High School/Middle School - Chester, VT	
Job ID	3249689	

Background

Question/Explanation	Answer
Have you ever resigned from a prior position after a complaint had been received against you or your conduct was under investigation or review?	No
Have you ever been disciplined, discharged, or asked to resign from a prior position?	No
Has your contract in a prior position ever been non-renewed?	No
Have you ever not been nominated for re-employment in a prior position or ever had your nomination for re-employment not be approved?	No
Are you currently under contract or letter of intent?	No
Have you ever had a professional license or certificate suspended or revoked in any state, or have you ever voluntarily surrendered, temporarily or permanently, a professional license or certificate in any state?	No

Dear Review Committee,

I would like to express my interest in your School Counselor position at Green Mountain Union High School. I believe my counseling experience at Espanola Valley High School, "EVHS", as well as my prior experience in education, in behavioral support and in mental health, make me an excellent candidate for your program. As Head Counselor at a high-needs school, I provide a comprehensive School Counseling program that identifies and addresses the needs of all students, one that helps them explore, identify and pursue career goals while also supporting their social emotional development and academic success.

In my four years at EVHS, a high school where the majority of students are Hispanic, low income and first generation, I have moved with the class of 2020 from their first day of high school to graduation. I helped them acclimate to high school, adjust to a new set of freedoms and responsibilities, as well as navigate the college and financial aid application systems. I regularly went into the classroom to help students with career exploration and planning, as well as meeting with students one-on-one. Additionally, I organized staff teams to support struggling students.

During my second year, I was asked to take the lead as the Department Head. I began implementing American School Counselor Association standards and guidelines to better serve our students, as well as collaborating to develop an Attendance Review Board to address chronic absenteeism. I also serve as a member of the EVHS Redesign team, a nationwide partnership with Johns Hopkins University to reevaluate and reimagine the traditional high school model.

When I started, EVHS was transitioning to a new School Information System, Synergy. I quickly became comfortable with the program and someone that other staff members came to for help. I have continued to lead in utilizing more of its features, such as improving and streamlining scheduling, and creating Early Warning Systems. Additionally, for several years I took the lead in preparing for, and administering state tests for all students at the school. I have also twice developed, administered, and interpreted student surveys on course interest and campus climate.

Though we will miss New Mexico, as native Vermonters, my wife and I are returning home to the northeast to be closer to family. I would love to put my experience in education, behavioral support and mental health to work as a School Counselor in your school. Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Landen Elliott-Knaggs

Landen Troy Elliott-Knaggs

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Education

Saint Lawrence University

Canton, New York

Master of Counseling

Major: Counseling and Human Development

GPA: 3.900

Attended August 2013 to July 2014

Degree conferred December 2014

Saint Lawrence University

Canton, New York

Bachelor of Arts

Major: History, **Minor:** Education

GPA: 3.600

Attended August 2009 to May 2013

Degree conferred May 2013

Brattleboro Union High School

Brattleboro, Vermont

Attended August 2005 to June 2009

Degree conferred June 2009

Experience

Espanola Valley High School

Jul 2016 - Present

Head School Counselor

Espanola, NM

•Head counselor 2018-2020

•Tracked class of 2020 from 9th grade through graduation with individual Next Step Plans

•Participated in biweekly school leadership team meetings

•High School Redesign Network team member

•Designed and implemented Attendance Review Board to address widespread chronic absenteeism

•Assisted in scholarship creation in memorial of deceased student

•Conducted individual counseling sessions regarding Grades, Attendance, Post-Secondary education,

•In class presentations including Graduation Requirements, FAFSA, Test taking strategies

•Participated in master schedule development

•Created, distributed and interpreted school wide annual Course Interest and Campus Environment survey

•Participated in IEP, 504, Student Assistance Team, Attendance Action Plan meetings

•Coordinated and administered all state mandated testing (2017)

Reason for leaving: Relocating to New England

Supervisor: Victoria Gonzales (505-737-7357)

Experience Type: Public School, Full-time

It is **OK** to contact this employer

Leland and Grey High School

Jan 2016 - Jun 2016

Behavioral Interventionist
Townshend, VT

- Worked with intensive needs students on a 1:1 ratio
- Provided life skill training to students
- Coached students in practicing and discussing social interactions
- Collected daily data on student behavior to implement student behavior plans
- Deescalated students in emotional crisis

Reason for leaving: Relocation to New Mexico

Supervisor: Stephanie Betit Hancock ((802) 365-7355)

Experience Type: Public School, Full-time

It is **OK** to contact this employer

Centerstone

Sep 2014 - Nov 2015

Wellness Coordinator
Nashville, TN

- Maintained caseload of 40+ clients with serious mental illness or emotional disturbances
- Developed working relationships
- Met with clients at home, in office, in the community, or on the phone as needed (Weekly-Monthly)
- Engaged clients who had inconsistent attendance or compliance with healthcare appointments
- Discussed medication compliance and effects with clients
- Participated in high intensity post hospitalization initiative (CoAction)
- Provided education on chronic health conditions such as diabetes or heart disease
- Educated clients on healthy eating habits
- Created action plans to increase daily exercise
- Provided education on smoking cessation resources and strategies
- Assisted clients in accessing healthcare system
- Presented wellness updates and success stories at quarterly advisory committee
- Facilitated weekly wellness groups
- Conducted 6 month reassessments of client and reported data to research team
- Volunteered as temporary Care Coordinator during coworkers 2 month absence
- Attended weekly therapy team meetings for case review
- Participated in biweekly Clinical supervision
- Attended weekly Integrated care meetings with Physician, case management supervisors, therapy team leaders and nurse
- Trained interns on grant procedures
- Composed individual client care plans every 6 months
- Engaged with clients from varied cultural backgrounds using interpreter services

Reason for leaving: I wanted to move back to the Brattleboro area.

Supervisor: Mandi Hodges (615-279-6726)

Experience Type: Other, Full-time

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Health Care and Rehabilitation Services

Jun 2011 - Aug 2014

Team Leader

Brattleboro, VT

- Practiced conflict resolution and addressed disciplinary issues among clients.
- Advised new counselors on building relationships and maintaining a safe environment.
- Coordinated daily activities and led a team of four counselors.
- Collaborated with clinical facilitators and team leaders to create master schedule.

Supervisor: Michelle Emery (802-254-6028)

Experience Type: Other, Summer

It is **OK** to contact this employer

Heuvelton Central School

Jan 2014 - Jun 2014

Guidance Intern

Heuvelton New York

- Maintained a caseload of high school students for one-on-one counseling.
- Created and implemented weekly after school mentoring sessions.
- Assisted in weekly Second STEP presentations to second and third grade classes.
- Worked with homeless coordinator in ensuring compliance with the McKinney-Vento Act.
- Participated in weekly Good Grief and Changing Families lunch groups with elementary students.
- Attended CSE meetings to review IEP and 504 plans, and SBIT and other academic interventions.

Reason for leaving: End of semester

Supervisor: Margaret Sweeney ((315) 344-2414)

Experience Type: Student Teaching, Part-time

It is **OK** to contact this employer

Transcripts

No transcripts provided by Landen Elliott-Knaggs

Test Scores

Test	Date	Score	Report
Praxis Series Praxis I - Core Academic Skills for Educators: Math	Sep 2015	200	
Praxis Series Praxis I - Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading	Sep 2015	196	
National Evaluation Series School Counselor	Jul 2016	266	View (167KB)

NOTE: You must be online to view attached test score reports.

Certifications

Title	State	Expires	License #
Public School Teacher	New York	Jan 2021	2639681
Pre K-12 School Counselor	New Mexico	Jun 2027	375545
7-12 Athletic Coach	New Mexico	Jun 2021	375545

Language Skills

Language	Speaking	Reading	Writing
Spanish	Basic	Basic	Basic

Fluent - Applicant has a comprehensive understanding of all words, concepts, and nuances of the language.

Moderate - Applicant can conduct a conversation (either spoken or written) and effectively communicate, understanding the vast majority of words and concepts.

Basic - Applicant understands some or many words and concepts. Speaking: applicant can communicate using the language and visual aides. Reading: applicant can identify some words and themes. Writing: applicant can communicate with simple words and phrases.

None - Applicant has no skill with the ability.

Extracurricular Activities

Below are activities this applicant is willing and qualified to lead as a coach, supervisor or other role listed.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Teams | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill Teams | <input type="checkbox"/> Sailing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Athletic Director | <input type="checkbox"/> Fencing | <input type="checkbox"/> Shooting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Athletic Trainer | <input type="checkbox"/> Field Hockey | <input type="checkbox"/> Skiing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Band | <input type="checkbox"/> Flying | <input type="checkbox"/> Sky Diving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baseball | <input type="checkbox"/> Football | <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball | <input type="checkbox"/> Golf | <input type="checkbox"/> Softball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cheerleading | <input type="checkbox"/> Gymnastics | <input type="checkbox"/> Speech |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chess | <input type="checkbox"/> Hockey | <input type="checkbox"/> Student Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chorus | <input type="checkbox"/> Lacrosse | <input type="checkbox"/> Surfing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class Advisor | <input type="checkbox"/> Marching Band | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Advisor | <input type="checkbox"/> Model United Nations | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crew/Rowing | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper/Journalism | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Track and Field |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cross Country | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography | <input type="checkbox"/> Video/Film Production |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dance Teams | <input type="checkbox"/> Polo | <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Debate | <input type="checkbox"/> PTA | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Polo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diving | <input type="checkbox"/> Robotics | <input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama | <input type="checkbox"/> Rugby | <input type="checkbox"/> Yearbook |

References

Name:	Victoria Gonzales	Relation:	Supervisor	Known Since:	Aug 2016
Title:	High School Principal				
Employer:	Espanola Public Schools PO Box 3039 Fairview, New Mexico 87533	Contact:	505-692-0607 victoria.gonzales@k12espanola.org	Letter Attached (57KB) Submitted by applicant	
Name:	Stephanie Betit-Hancock	Relation:	Supervisor	Known Since:	Feb 2016
Title:	Intensive Needs Coordinator				
Employer:	Windham Central Supervisory Union 1219 VT Rt. 30 Townshend, Vermont 05353	Contact:	603-852-5264 sbetit-hancock@lelandandgray.org	Letter Attached (429KB) Submitted by applicant	
Name:	Elizabeth Bianchi	Relation:	Supervisor	Known Since:	Jun 2011
Title:					
Employer:	Health Care and Rehabilitation Services 51 Fairview St Brattleboro, Vermont 05301	Contact:	802-591-3711 ebianchi@hcrs.org	Letter below Submitted by applicant	

November 10th, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very pleased to write this reference for Landen Elliott-Knaggs. I have had the opportunity to supervise Landen in our summer therapeutic program at HCRS for children ages 6-14 with challenging behavioral, emotional, and family issues. Landen has been employed in our summer program from 2011 to 2014. Landen was elevated to a team leader after his first summer. His responsibilities included: organizing his group, planning and organizing activities, handling and problem solving regarding challenging kids and situations, one on one support to individual client, organizing and overseeing the first aid and safety area and interfacing with parents.

I was extremely impressed with Landen's calmness, patience, and high degree of professionalism throughout all of his interactions. With the children he was always very calm and supportive. In times of crisis Landen was exceptional in his presence with the kids and his co-workers. His co-workers looked up to him and came to him regularly for help and support. He clearly set a presence that made the kids and staff feel comfortable and safe. Landen was also very good at seeing the bigger picture around general program organization and development. He did a great job pointing things out to his supervisors and also coming up with proactive creative solutions.

Regarding his work ethic, it was exceptional. He worked hard, was extremely organized, and clearly was very interest and active in this field. He was very interested in learning everything he could from the program and the mental health field.

I would highly recommend Landen entering the field of education, mental health, and working with children. He was an amazing addition to our program and because of his wonderful skills and presence our program was even stronger.

If you would like to talk further regarding Landen please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Bianchi, LICSW

Attachments

Below are all attachments, including any appearing in the sections above. Click on the Attachment Title to view the file. **NOTE:** You must be online and logged in to your SchoolSpring employer account to view attachments.

Type	Title	Size
Recommendation	<u>Stephanie Betit-Hancock Recommendation Letter</u>	429KB
Recommendation	<u>Mary Moran Recommendation Letter</u>	46KB
Recommendation	<u>Victoria Gonzales Recommendation Letter</u>	57KB
Resume	<u>Resume 3/8/2020</u>	94KB
Test Score	<u>National Evaluation Series Score Report</u>	167KB

Applicant Statement & Authorization

"I certify that the facts contained in my application and any additional material submitted are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that intentional falsification of statements, incomplete or misleading information on this application or additional material will result in automatic removal of my application from further employment considerations, and, if employed, shall be grounds for immediate dismissal. When it is determined that an employee or prospective employee failed to disclose or fully disclose his or her background through misunderstanding or inadvertence, I understand that such failure will be considered a significant factor in employment or termination considerations."

"If employed, I also understand that although my employment may commence prior to the completion of the criminal records check process, continued employment would be contingent upon a satisfactory criminal records check."

"I authorize investigation of all statements contained herein. I also give permission to the references and previous employers listed on the application and any attachments to provide to you any and all information concerning my employment and any other pertinent information they may have. I agree to release all parties from all liability for any damage that may result from furnishing such information to you."

"I understand that, if offered the position, I will be required to verify my employment eligibility as required by law, including the completion of an I-9 Form."

Digital Signature of Applicant Landen Elliott-Knaggs **Date** Apr 17, 2020

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