

Vacancy Information for Applicants

Position	Guidance Counsellor
Tenure	Fixed Term, Part Time
	(27 January – 11 December 2026, 4 days per week, 0.6 FTE)

Nayland College is held in high regard as an educational leader whose dedicated staff provide engaging educational opportunities.

We are seeking a compassionate and professional **Guidance Counsellor** to join our dedicated counselling team. This is a fixed-term, part-time position offering the opportunity to make a meaningful impact in the lives of rangatahi within a supportive and inclusive school environment.

About the role

You will work collaboratively with students, staff, whānau, and external agencies to support student wellbeing, resilience, and learning success. The role includes:

- Providing confidential counselling services to students and the wider school community.
- Supporting students with personal, emotional, social, and academic challenges.
- Facilitating mediation and support plans for students and staff.
- Engaging with external agencies such as CAMHS, AOD, Oranga Tamariki, and Youth Justice.
- Upholding the NZAC Code of Ethics and participating in external supervision.

We're looking for someone who

- Is a registered member of NZAC (or equivalent).
- Has experience working with youth in an educational or therapeutic setting.
- Demonstrates cultural responsiveness and a commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.
- Is proactive, empathetic, and a strong communicator.
- Can work collaboratively within a multidisciplinary team.

Why Nayland College?

- A caring and inclusive school culture.
- Strong support from the Head of Counselling, Deans, and Senior Leadership.
- Opportunities to contribute to student wellbeing and success.
- A chance to be part of a team that values professional growth and community connection.

Application

Applications close with the Principal at 12.00pm on Wednesday 10 December 2025.

Please complete the attached application form, include a covering letter and CV detailing qualifications and previous experience, and either email or post to the details below.

Email: belinda.lee@nayland.school.nz

Address: Nayland College, 166 Nayland Road, Stoke, Nelson 7011

Interviews

Shortlisted applicants will be contacted for an interview within 7-10 days of the closing date.

Appointment

Appointment will be confirmed as soon as possible, and the successful applicant will commence their new duties from 27 January 2026.

Additional Information

A job description and relevant application form is attached.

Enquiries can be answered by:

Belinda Lee – Executive Assistant and Board Secretary

P: 03 547 9769 ext 800

E: belinda.lee@nayland.school.nz

Nayland College is an equal opportunities employer. Please contact the Principal if there is further information or clarification required.

Thank you for your enquiry.

Daniel Wilson

Principal



Application for Appointment

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Information Statement

The information you provide on this application form, along with any other information you supply, will be used by the College solely for assessing your suitability for positions for which you have applied. If unsuccessful, your information contained in this application will be destroyed on completion of the appointment process unless otherwise requested by you. If successful, your personal information contained in this application will be held by and remain confidential to Nayland College. Under the Privacy Act 1993, you have the right (with certain exceptions) to request access to, and correction of, any personal information held by the College.

Personal Details

Title	□ Mr	□ Mrs		Ms □ Miss	☐ Other:	
Full Name						
Postal Address						
Mobile Phone						
Email Address						
Date of Birth (optional)						
Gender						
Ethnicity						
Emergency Contact Name						
Emergency Contact Mobile						
Are you a NZ Citizen/Resident?	•	□ Yes	□ No			
If No do you hold a Work Visa/I	Permit?	☐ Yes	□ No	(Relevant docume	ents must be sigl	nted)
Teaching Registration Details						
Registration Status	□ Full	☐ Provisional		☐ Subject to C	Confirmation	□ LAT
Registration Number						
Renewal Date						
Ministry of Education Employment Number (if previously employed in education sector)						

Referees

Please provide the names and contact details for two references who may be contacted to provide information to support your application.

Name	Name
Address	Address
Phone	Phone
Email	Email
Relationship	Relationship
Declaration	
Please describe any injury or illness, or oth your ability to effectively carry out the dution	her known conditions that you have that may affect es and responsibilities of the position.
•	ace against the Law (apart from minor traffic son you should not be employed to work in a school
□ NO □ YES If YES, you may be asked to comment furth	ed to provide a copy of relevant court records and be er.
given in my application for this position an	he best of my knowledge and belief, the information and in my CV is true and correct. I understand that this correct and true details of any conviction may make me of the Board of Trustees.
	k information about my employment and personal previous employers. I understand that this information d only used for staff selection purposes.
Applicant's Signature Please return this application form with your C	Date V and cover letter before 12.00pm on Wednesday 10
December 2025 to:	
Daniel Wilson or B	Selinda Lee

Principal
Nayland College
166 Nayland Road
Stoke
Nelson 7010

Executive Assistant and Board Secretary belinda.lee@nayland.school.nz



Position Description

Name

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Responsible to	School Board (Presiding Member)
	Principal
	Head of Counselling

Primary Expectations

Support of the school Head of Counselling, Deans and Senior Management. This is a role which deals with students in a non-directive way. Counselling tasks involve work with individuals (students, teachers, whānau, outside agency representatives) and small groups.

Core Responsibilities

Te Tiriti o Waitangi

• Demonstrate a commitment to honouring the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi, ensuring rangatahi experience rich learning in both te reo and tikanga Māori.

As a member of the staff of Nayland College you will be familiar with the school's charter and policies

- Positive professional relationships with all staff members are maintained.
- Contact with all students is on a strictly professional basis with the physical and emotional safety of the students being of paramount importance.
- School administration is supported.
- The hours of work, as arranged, are strictly followed.
- The line manager is informed of any absence from work immediately (illness etc.) so that other arrangements can be made if necessary.
- Any other tasks as allocated or directed by the Senior Leadership Team
- Accept delegated responsibilities within the learning area.

Specific areas of operation

- Providing a professional counselling service for students and members of the college community.
- To work collaboratively with staff to enable clients to make the most of their learning opportunities and foster and develop resilience.
- Being proactive to develop strategies, interventions and support plans in collaboration with clients
- Providing mediation assistance to students and staff who have relationship difficulties within the classroom.

• Playing a vital role in the specific groups linked to the counselling area.

Supporting Deans and Senior Management

- Providing professional counselling to individual clients.
- Contacting and working with whānau and outside agencies (with the client's permission) as needed, to achieve goals.
- Working with students whose attendance patterns are causing major concerns due to mental health issues.
- Liaising with staff, the deans and parents as appropriate with the client's permission.

Requirements

- To follow the New Zealand Association of Counsellors (NZAC) Code of Ethics.
- To work as a collaborative member of Nayland College's counselling team.
- To undertake external supervision.
- To maintain adequate records of work.
- To attend school meetings, family conferences organised by Child Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS), Alcohol & Other Drug Services (AOD) Oranga Tamariki, Ministry for Children and Youth Justice and liaise with other agencies where necessary.

General

• It should be noted that other tasks and duties may be allocated by agreement in consultation with the Head of Counselling and Principal as and when required.

Performance Review

Performance will be reviewed with respect to the effectiveness with which the key roles detailed in this job description are being performed.

Note: This Job Description should be read in conjunction with the relevant Contract of Employment.

This job description may be reviewed annually at the discretion of the Principal.

Name	Daniel Wilson
Guidance Counsellor	Principal
Date	Date