

THE BRITISH SCHOOL OF AMSTERDAM

The British School of Amsterdam is a leading international school in the Netherlands, providing world-class learning for children from 3 to 18 years. We follow an enhanced version of the National Curriculum for England, including IGCSE and A Level programs, with over 1,100 pupils enrolled across three school sections: Early Years School (3-6 years), Junior School (6-11 years) and Senior School (11-18 years).

School Nurse (School Verpleegster)

Amsterdam | Full Time, Fixed Term

We are seeking to appoint a professional School Nurse (Registered General Nurse) to a newly created role within our school. Responsible for all aspects of healthcare including planning, management, and reporting, this is an ideal opportunity for an experienced Nurse with some experience of working with children and young people, and preferably, experience working in an educational setting. **Fluency in English and Dutch is required.**

IMPORTANT: Applicants should have the ability to work in the Netherlands through citizenship, residency or a valid work visa.

Role and Responsibilities

The School Nurse will be a champion for innovation and continuous improvement for healthcare management in our school. Responsible for planning, implementing, coordinating, and evaluating school health related absenteeism and eliminating and/or minimizing health problems that impair learning, the School Nurse will work to achieve the highest degree of independent functioning possible within the school.

Specific responsibilities include:

- coordinate and participate in the establishment, review, and implementation of school health services, policies, and procedures;
- develop and manage a system for identification of pupils with special healthcare needs;
- provide individual first aid treatment and advice to pupils;
- attend to incidents or accidents requiring first aid treatment, on the school site;
- provide nursing care to any child that is unwell and waiting to be collected by parents or caregivers;
- keep all accident/incidents administration reports up to date;
- manage storage of medicines;
- maintain accurate records for pupils with known chronic illness and special health needs (based on information provided by parents/caregivers);
- ensure all pupils' medical data is correctly updated in school system;
- coordinate the establishment of guidelines, procedures, and training in First Aid/Paediatric/CPR/First Responder programmes for selected staff;
- develop and train staff in the provision of health services, including administration of medication to pupils (e.g. EpiPens);
- provide support to staff to ensure they can safely and effectively perform tasks to assist pupils with acute or chronic health conditions, including preparing and sharing care plans;
- initiate referrals and follow up, when necessary, for pupils with identified or suspected health problems;
- provide age-appropriate talks with pupils on personal health subjects, and talks to parents on health-related topics affecting students;
- consult with relevant individuals and departments within the school including school counsellor, safeguarding lead, and learning support;
- participate in development of the school's emergency health and crisis management plan;

- implement communicable disease control in the school including monitoring, surveillance, and participation in disease prevention and outbreak management;
- interpret and communicate relevant health mandates, recommendations, and trends using written materials, meetings, etc.;
- provide guidance and support to families in finding and using treatment services;
- collaborate with community agencies to provide resources for pupils and their families e.g. GGD;
- adhere to legal and regulatory requirements and ethical standards of nursing practice.

Person Specification

Essential skills and experience:

- recognised Nursing qualification - Registered General Nurse (RGN);
- BIG nursing registration (Netherlands);
- nursing experience;
- valid nursing experience in a hospital, or education, or other relevant environments;
- fluent in English;
- fluent in Dutch;
- excellent communication skills, written and verbal.

Desirable experience:

- experience working with children and young people;
- experience in an educational setting;
- experience in an international school setting;
- experience in a well-being and mental health capacity, specifically with children & young people;
- recent well-being training.

Personal competencies:

- responsive to the needs of children & young people;
- sensitive, caring manner;
- calm and courteous in dealings with others;
- able to prioritise and plan work effectively;
- strong commitment to teamwork;
- proactive in approach to working with staff and students;
- helpful, service-oriented, collaborative work style.

Application process

Applications should include a Resume/CV including the contact details for two referees, and a brief covering letter addressed to the Principal, Mrs Ruth Sanderson. **The closing date for applications is Friday, 14 April 2023 at 5pm.**

[APPLY ONLINE](#)

Safeguarding

Our School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment. The offer of the role will be made subject to receipt of satisfactory references, proof of relevant qualifications, identification checks and other safeguarding checks, and overseas checks where appropriate.

Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion (DEI)

Our School is committed to a culture of equality, diversity, and inclusion. We believe that a diverse staff body reflects and supports the diversity of our pupils and wider society, and leads to a cognitive diversity which promotes excellences in all areas.