

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title Assistant Director of Special Education

Department Student Services

Reports To Director of Special Education

Classification Administrator

LocationDistrictSalaryOn ScheduleLength of Contract12 Months

This job description in no way states or implies that these are the only duties to be performed by the employee occupying this position. Employees may be required to follow other job-related instructions and to perform other job-related duties as requested, subject to all applicable state and federal laws. Certain job functions described herein may be subject to possible modification in accordance with applicable state and federal laws.

Job Summary

Under the Direction of the Director of Special Education, the Assistant Director of Special Education is responsible for assisting with implementing and maintaining age 3-21 Special Education programs and services in conformance to district, state, and federal objectives and laws; planning, designing, and implementing all phases of service provided by the Special Education staff; serving as a resource to patrons, school personnel, and maintaining adequate staffing to ensure objectives of programs and services are achieved within budget.

Essential Job Functions

- Establishes and supports implementation of special education programming, including curriculum development and allocation of resources for students with disabilities, as guided by federal and state special education law.
- Develops, coordinates, monitors, and evaluates special education programming in coordination with other District programs.
- Manages departmental special education services including the Speech/Language Department, Occupational/Physical Therapy Department, Adapted Physical Education Department, Visual Impairment Department, and Deaf & Hard of Hearing Department
- Provides oversight and supervision of District Beyond 18, community-based transition programming.
- Recruits, hires, supervises, and evaluates District-level special education staff.
- Directs personnel, for the purpose of delivering services which conform to established Special Education guidelines.
- Oversees District's *Early Learning Special Education Itinerant Program*, including supervision of itinerant service providers.
- Oversees B-3 transition process, and Child Find processes.
- Assists with DPI Reporting: High-Cost Special Education Aide, Transfer of Service Exemptions, and Open Enrollment Special Education Actual Costs
- Develops and oversees 66.0301 Agreements and contracted services.

- Coordinates with outside agencies to provide services to students and staff, for the purpose of offering appropriate services.
- Facilitates meetings and processes, for the purpose of implementing and maintaining Special Education programs and services.
- Directs the Medicaid Administrative Claiming process and direct billing of Medicaid-eligible special education services provided by the District.
- Assists in developing and leads professional development and training for general or special education personnel, related service providers, other district personnel, parents, and community personnel.
- Assists in the development of *Extended School Year* services.
- Oversees private school service delivery and management of Special Education services, as well as sets aside federal funds.
- Supports the Student Information System-Special Education Module, including management of IEP and evaluation forms and monitoring of procedural compliance.
- Acts as Local Education Agency (LEA) at IEP meetings as designated by the Director of Special Education.
- Manages the District Special Olympics programming; including oversight of District Special Olympics coordinator and hiring of Special Olympics coaching staff.

Ancillary Job Functions

- Participates in budget development and management process involving level staff at the request of the Director of Special Education.
- Stays current in the field through professional readings, seminars, workshops, and conventions.
- Participates in grant writing activities upon request from the Director of Special Education.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Required Qualifications – Required qualifications to effectively perform the job at the time of hire. An equivalent combination of education, training, and experience will be considered. Additional requirements and/or substitutions may be requested and require the approval of HR.

- Master's degree in Education, Education Administration, or related field.
- Minimum of three years' experience working directly with students in special education.
- Wisconsin Administrative Certification: Director of Special Education and Pupil Services (#80).

Preferred Qualifications – Highly desired education, training, and/or experience that may be helpful in performing the job, if applicable.

- Advanced work in educational/behavioral assessment/curriculum.
- Multi-categorical certification/experience.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities – May be representative, but not all-inclusive, of those commonly associated with this position.

- Demonstrates an understanding and use of culturally responsive practices.
- Ability to travel to multiple District buildings in compliance with District driving policy
- Strong organizational, planning and time management skills.

- Excellent writing and public speaking skills.
- Strong ability to work effectively with individuals and groups.
- Broad and current knowledge in the areas of special education programming, law and procedures.
- Evidence of competencies in classroom behavior management, educational/behavior assessment and evaluation, curriculum and parent training.
- Desire to serve as a team player.
- Ability to facilitate groups.
- Outstanding problem solving and conflict resolution skills.
- Excellent leadership skills.
- Ability to work a flexible schedule including work as directed outside of the school calendar.

Work Environment – Environmental or atmospheric conditions commonly associated with the performance of the functions of this job.

- Normal school environment and moderate noise levels.
- May occasionally be exposed to potentially hazardous bodily fluids, hazardous traffic conditions, or fumes/airborne particles.

Physical Requirements – The physical demands described below are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

- Must be able to have repetitive wrist/hand/finger movement to work on computer and/or related office equipment.
- May be required to grasp, push, reach, or stoop/kneel/crouch.
- May occasionally be required to lift up to 20 pounds; rarely up to 50 pounds.