English as Second Language Para Educator

Purpose Statement

The job of English as Second Language Para Educator is done for the purpose/s of assisting in the assessment of students' English language acquisition from their native language; administering tests; performing classroom clerical tasks and serving as a resource to other school personnel requiring assistance with non-English speaking persons.

Essential Functions

- Administers tests, homework assignments, make-up work, etc. for the purpose of supporting teachers in the instructional process.
- Assists students, individually or in small groups, with assignments for the purpose of practicing and/or reinforcing learning concepts.
- Attends meetings and in-service presentations for the purpose of acquiring and/or conveying information relative to job functions to meet established annual State requirements.
- Collaborates with staff for the purpose of providing necessary support and information related to the student's progress.
- Guides students in independent study (e.g. enrichment work, remedial work, etc.) for the purpose of ensuring student success.
- Implements, under the supervision of the teacher, instructional programs and lesson plans for the
 purpose of assisting the teacher in improving students' academic success through a defined course of
 study.
- Maintains instructional materials and data sheets for the purpose of ensuring availability of instructional materials and/or providing reliable information regarding student progress.
- Monitors students during assigned periods within a variety of school environments (e.g. classroom, library, playground activities, etc.) for the purpose of providing a safe and positive learning environment.
- Performs various administrative support and record keeping functions (e.g. scheduling, copying, etc.) for the purpose of supporting the teacher and/or administrator in providing necessary records/materials.
- Translates verbal and written communication(s) as needed, provided the employee has the appropriate translation skills, for the purpose of assisting teachers and parents in communicating.

Other Functions

 Performs other related duties, as assigned, for the purpose of ensuring the efficient and effective functioning of the work unit.

Job Requirements: Minimum Qualifications

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities

SKILLS are required to perform multiple tasks with a need to periodically upgrade skills in order to meet changing job conditions. Specific skill based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: operating equipment used in a classroom; planning and managing projects; adhering to safety practices; and administering first aid.

KNOWLEDGE is required to perform basic math, including calculations using fractions, percents, and/or ratios; read a variety of manuals, write documents following prescribed formats, and/or present information to others; and

understand complex, multi-step written and oral instructions. Specific knowledge based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: age appropriate activities; concepts of grammar and punctuation; health standards and hazards; safety practices and procedures; and stages of child development.

ABILITY is required to schedule activities, meetings, and/or events; gather, collate, and/or classify data; and use basic, job-related equipment. Flexibility is required to work with others in a wide variety of circumstances; work with data utilizing defined but different processes; and operate equipment using standardized methods. Ability is also required to work with a diversity of individuals and/or groups; work with a variety of data; and utilize a variety of job-related equipment. Problem solving is required to identify issues and create action plans. Problem solving with data requires independent interpretation of guidelines; and problem solving with equipment is limited to moderate. Specific ability based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: adapting to changing work priorities; communicating with diverse groups; maintaining confidentiality; meeting deadlines and schedules; setting priorities; working as part of a team; and working with frequent interruptions.

Responsibility

Responsibilities include: working under direct supervision using standardized procedures; leading, guiding, and/or coordinating others; operating within a defined budget. utilization of some resources from other work units may be required to perform the job's functions. There is a continual opportunity to impact the organization's services.

Work Environment

The usual and customary methods of performing the job's functions require the following physical demands: some lifting, carrying, pushing, and/or pulling, some stooping, kneeling, crouching, and/or crawling and significant fine finger dexterity. Generally the job requires 30% sitting, 30% walking, and 40% standing. The job is performed in a generally hazard free environment.

Experience: Job related experience is required.

Education: Targeted, job related education with study in job-related area.

Equivalency:

Required Testing Certificates and Licenses

Continuing Educ. / Training

Up to 20 hours annually of in-service training

Clearances

Criminal Justice Fingerprint/Background Clearance Kansas Certification of Health

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