

# Staff Accountant

### **POSITION SPECIFICATIONS**

## **REPORTS TO**

**Accounting Manager** 

### PRIMARY FUNCTION

Provides fiscal management assistance by performing a variety of accounting and auditing functions.

# **QUALIFICATION PROFILE**

#### CERTIFICATION / LICENSE

Connecticut driver's license

#### EDUCATION

Bachelor's degree in Accounting or related field

## EXPERIENCE

Minimum of five (5) years of practical experience

## SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE & ABILITIES

- Ability to interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagrammatic or schedule form.
- Ability to perform detailed work involving written or numerical data and to make arithmetic calculations rapidly and accurately.
- Ability to interpret financial statements and to prepare complete and accurate accounting reports and statements of some complexity.
- Have demonstrated competency in preparing, interpreting and analyzing data in a spreadsheet environment.
- Working knowledge of modern office equipment, practices, and procedures.
- Ability to work independently, to organize work and to manage details.
- A thorough working knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel.
- Proficient in Quicken Software
- Ability to deal effectively with school personnel and the public.
- The ability to keep confidential matters relating to personnel, students, administration and all other data as found in a school district.

#### **ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Assist in the coordination and maintenance of all accounting functions associated with maintaining a general ledger including purchasing, accounts payable, accounts receivable, fixed assets, financial statements and the chart of accounts.
- Assist with generating invoices and statements, recording payments, reconciling the accounts to the bank statement, and year end reporting.

- Assist with the oversight, review and internal auditing of all student activity accounts and special revenue funds.
- Assists in the preparation of RFP and bid packets as needed, including the compilation of bid specifications, advertisements, recording of results and obtains reference checks.
- Participate as necessary in the development and implementation of financial management systems and software.
- Assist with preparing and entering purchase order and expenditure information into the school district's automated accounting system and prepares related payment checks.
- Assist with the review of open purchase orders and invoices to ensure timely payment and liquidations.
- Assist with invoicing and collecting participant fees and maintains records related to participants in the school district's Pre-School Readiness program throughout the community.
- Assist with fiscal year-end closing and performs work as needed in preparation for the annual audit, reporting and compliance.
- Performs other general accounting functions such as reconciliation of accounts; bank reconciliation; financial research, assistance with budget development, and account analysis.

## **ADDITIONAL DUTIES**

Performs other similar and related financial duties as assigned by supervisors or other supervisory or administrative personnel.

## **EQUIPMENT**

Uses calculators, computer equipment, including personal computers and printers.

## TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

- Travel to make deposits to bank as needed.
- Must have own transportation.

## TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT

### SALARY & BENEFITS

Salary range/fringe benefits in accordance with Local 1186, Grade 11B collective bargaining agreement.

#### WORK SCHEDULE

- Work schedule in accordance with Local 1186 collective bargaining agreement.
- Work schedule is generally 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

# UNION AFFILIATION

Local 1186, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

## **FUNDING SOURCE**

Grant funded.

Note: The above description is illustrative of tasks and responsibilities. It is not meant to be all inclusive of every task or responsibility.