

Lincoln Parish Schools
Job Description
2023-2024

TITLE: Bookkeeper

QUALIFICATIONS: Must possess any combination of education and experience equivalent to graduation from high school, including or supplemented by courses in general accounting or bookkeeping, bookkeeping or financial accounting experience.

Skills: Working knowledge of bookkeeping principles and practices; thorough knowledge of business English, spelling and arithmetic; ability to use a 10-key calculator and data processing software and equipment; ability to keyboard accurately and at a reasonable rate of speed, make arithmetical calculations, and maintain accurate records on a variety of school accounts; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with others, and to follow oral and written instructions.

REPORTS TO: School Principal

JOB GOAL: Provide assistance and effective communication with school staff and public stakeholders about financial matters, and maintain accurate financial and school records that can be relied upon for effective decision-making by school administrators and staff.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT: 10, 11, or 12 months, 37.5 hours per week

EVALUATION: Performance Evaluation annually

COMPENSATION: Applicable Secretary/Bookkeeper Salary Schedule (Tables 22, 24, or 98)

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Maintain complete records of the school operating bank account and investment accounts in accordance with the district records retention policy and the district School Activities Funds Policy and Procedure Manual.
2. Post transactions timely and maintain current balances of school activities in the computerized school accounting system.
3. Timely reconcile the school bank account each month.
4. Provide detailed financial reports of school activities to the school principal and individual school activity sponsors monthly.
5. Assist school administration in fostering school-wide staff compliance in following proper procedures for making purchases with school funds, adequately documenting receipts and disbursements, and receipting cash, in accordance with the School Activities Funds Policy and Procedure Manual.
6. Report suspected fraud, misappropriation or theft of public school property, resources or funds to the Chief Financial Officer immediately.
7. Provide assistance during financial audits in gathering financial records and supporting documentation requested for review.
8. Assist school administration in responding to audit interrogatories and in developing and

implementing corrective action plans to resolve any financial audit findings.

9. Attend training provided by the district on school activity fund procedures and for use of computerized accounting and related systems.

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Maintain professional personal appearance and demonstrate respect for colleagues.
2. Attend work regularly; report to work on time; and provide advance notice of need for absence.
3. Complete work efficiently and accurately (with few/no errors) within deadlines without supervision.
4. Perform job responsibilities consistently, use time wisely, plan properly, take care of materials and equipment.
5. Maintain confidentiality and demonstrate trustworthiness; exercise good judgment.
6. Support, implement, assist with, and/or ensure application of district initiatives and other programs or directives of the Superintendent and Board.
7. Keep the direct supervisor informed of the progress being made in the area(s) of responsibility.
8. Report to the Lincoln Parish School Board as needed or directed.
9. Keep abreast professionally by attending local, regional, state, or national meetings and/or staff development that address area(s) of responsibility as directed by the supervisor.
10. Complete and submit all forms, reports, documentation, and training by required dates and in accordance with district policies and procedures.
11. Remain open to suggestions and innovative ideas; receive and apply feedback.
12. Demonstrate competence in areas of responsibility.
13. Exert every effort to constructively involve stakeholders in all professional settings.
14. Communicate appropriately and work effectively with all populations.
15. Exhibit desirable qualities such as commitment to job responsibilities, enthusiasm, cooperation, sense of humor, creativity, tact, positive attitude/work ethic, dependability, punctuality, self-discipline/control, poise, voice control, effective nonverbal communication, a professional appearance, initiative, and a genuine concern and interest for others.
16. Follow the specific requirements established by the School Board (LEA), State Department of Education (SDE), the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (SBESE), and/or Federal regulations and guidelines established by each.
17. Perform any duty, not specifically assigned, as deemed necessary by the assigning authority in order to maintain continuity where needed.

While the operation of the Lincoln Parish School Board and its schools is governed by the provisions of this and all other policies, as well as the procedures of the individual schools, no policy manual can list each and every instance of misconduct that is precluded. Accordingly, employees are cautioned that the appropriateness of certain action or behavior must necessarily be dictated by the nature of the position held by the employee and commonsense. By virtue of one's education and experience, an employee knows and understands that certain actions or conduct are unacceptable even in the absence of formal policy. For instance, without the need of a specific prohibition or warning, a classroom teacher should be aware of the impropriety of certain practices such as leaving students unattended, using profanity or sexually suggestive language or bringing a firearm onto campus. Such conduct constitutes both incompetence and willful neglect of duty and will result in the imposition of discipline up to and including termination.