Niles Township District for Special Education

Vacancy for Maternity Leave (February 2026 - June 3, 2026)

Speech-Language Pathologist

Goal:

To improve student outcomes by implementing a speech-language program for students and actively participate as a member of the student's educational team and the school community.

Qualifications:

- Illinois Professional Educator Licensure with an endorsement in Speech-Language Pathology (ISBE)
- Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation Licensure (IDFPR)
- American Speech and Hearing Association Certificate of Clinical Competence (ASHA-CCCs) or eligibility for Clinical Fellowship (CF)

Evaluator: NTDSE Administrator

Essential Functions (Duties & Responsibilities)

General

- 1. Adhere to professional, ethical, and legal standards for the practice of Speech-Language Pathology in the schools, as dictated by associated organizations, e.g., ISBE, ASHA.
- 2. Implement practices consistent with the Danielson Framework for Teaching.
- 3. Follow policies and procedures established by NTDSE and the School Code of Illinois.

Specific

Planning and Preparation

- 1. Demonstrate a thorough understanding of disabilities and speech-language pathology.
- 2. Conduct assessments and develop and implement a plan for effectively and efficiently serving the needs of students in an equitable and culturally fair manner through various evidence-based models of service.
- 3. Utilize additional resources to assist with the assessment, development, and implementation of services.
- 4. Utilize technology to generate reports, manage data, communicate with staff and parents, and complete required student records.

Classroom Environment

- 1. Establish respect and rapport with students.
- 2. Supervise the safety of all students in the classroom.
- 3. Establish clear expectations for student behavior and maintain appropriate classroom instructional and behavioral control.
- 4. Organize time, environment, materials, and equipment to facilitate learning.

Delivery of Service

- 1. Design instruction that is integrated, challenging, authentic, and engages the learner.
- 2. Progress monitor student growth and adjust instruction as needed.
- 3. Provide parents with information related to student's speech-language needs, and suggestions for activities to promote the development and generalization of skills.

Professional Responsibility

- 1. Maintain accurate records (e.g. daily attendance, communication logs, and data and complete required documentation/IEP responsibilities and record-keeping) in a specified time and manner.
- 2. Communicate effectively both orally and in writing including composing reports for IEP meetings or home/school correspondence.
- 3. Be an integral member of the educational team. Prepare for and participate in team meetings, problem-solving meetings, and student meetings. Demonstrate professional behavior while sharing expertise.
- 4. Consult with outside professional agencies/service providers for coordination of therapeutic interventions and evaluations, when appropriate.
- 5. Maintain effective and professional communication with educational team members.
- 6. Relate in a helpful, positive, and efficient manner with all stakeholders and serve as a positive ambassador for NTDSE across all environments.
- 7. Assume responsibility for professional growth by participating in Professional Development activities formally (e.g. institute days, early releases, NTDSE/Township speech meetings) and informally (e.g. share/collaborate/mentor/coach with NTDSE and district team members).
- 8. Maintain appropriate certification/licensure/standards of practice.
- 9. Other duties as assigned.

Other Duties

Physical Requirements and Other Responsibilities:

- Requires physical exertion with no weight restrictions (e.g., lifting and transporting students, carrying materials or supplies) and physical mobility
- Requires the ability and willingness to manage any feeding and toileting needs of students, if appropriate
- Independent transportation is required because NTDSE staff frequently work in multiple locations within the NTDSE community
- Knowledge of first aid and health-related emergency procedures

Terms of Employment:

School year calendar with the option to work Extended School Year (ESY).

Compensation and Benefits:

Please review the **Union Agreement**

Application Procedure:

Apply online at www.ntdse.org. Click "Employment" tab

Application Deadline:

October 3, 2025