



OaklandSchools

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT: POSITION OPENING

Special Education Teacher Consultant for the Visually Impaired/Orientation and Mobility Specialist

IN THIS ROLE:

You will provide professional development, direct and consultative services, evaluations/assessments, implementation strategies and technology support to Special Education professionals, students, and families in the local school districts of Oakland County. The goal is that students are provided access and services which will increase academic achievement and functional performance skills.

WHAT WE NEED:

We are seeking a creative and collaborative team member with exceptional communication, leadership, and problem-solving skills to provide specialized, direct instruction and consultative services to students with visual impairments birth through 26 years of age. In this role, you will also provide assistance and consultation to local school staff on the resolution of individual student academics; identification and effective utilization of available instructional materials and equipment; federal, state and local initiatives and mandates; coordination of acquisition, distribution, and usage of school-based technology and mobility devices, and assistance with the training of paraprofessionals, teachers, and other staff who work with students with visual impairments. Your expertise and knowledge of access methods for students who are visually impaired, connecting with outside resources, and ability to provide direct and consultative services for students, birth through 26 years of age including conducting evaluations/ assessments and preparing reports of findings and recommendations, will be a key in our efforts to increase academic achievement and functional performance skills. You will serve as a resource and liaison to external agencies and professional organizations and will collaborate with Oakland Schools Teacher Consultants, LEA staff, multidisciplinary evaluation teams, and community groups on matters related to visual impairments as well as specific concerns.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Master's degree in Special Education and/or Master's Degree in Orientation and Mobility.
- Valid Michigan Teaching Certification with Visually Impaired (SK) endorsement. If an SK endorsement is not currently held, the incumbent would be required to enroll in a program leading up to an SK endorsement within 6 months of employment date and provide documented proof of endorsement when completed.
 - **Note: The Michigan Department of Education has partnered with several universities to offer eligible Michigan certified teachers the opportunity to earn a Visual Impairment endorsement, including tuition assistance. For more information on this opportunity, please click on the following link: [Visual Impairment Consortium for Teacher Preparation](#)**

- Three or more years of classroom teaching experience, with no less than two of them in Special Education.
- Orientation and Mobility certification required.
- Knowledge and ability to consider/recommend appropriate Assistive Technology equipment.
- Knowledge and skills to consider appropriate Orientation and Mobility strategies and skills.
- Knowledge and ability to provide Low Vision Assessments and Orientation and Mobility Evaluations.
- Knowledge of Special Education process and documentation and general education curriculum and accommodations.
- Ability to provide professional development, consultation, and coaching.

SALARY DETAILS:

Salary commensurate with experience / Exempt Position / 10-month work year

WORK LOCATION:

Oakland Schools Summit Campus
2214 Mall Dr. E.
Waterford, MI 48328

WHY WORK FOR OS?

Oakland Schools offers a great benefits package for our employees! What we provide includes:

- The opportunity to enroll in a **pension plan** to help ensure your financial security
- **Quality health insurance, dental, and vision plans**
- **Generous vacation and leave time** so you can have a healthy work-life balance
- **OS-paid coverage for life insurance, short and long-term disability, and well-being benefits** including access to an Employee Assistance Program for staff and dependents
- The opportunity to buy optional health savings accounts (HSA), flexible spending accounts (FSA), pet insurance, legal insurance, college savings plans, and tax-sheltered annuity (TSA) plans
- OS provides the ability to get involved within the organization and advance your skill set with education development

WHO WE ARE:

Oakland Schools (OS) is an intermediate school district (ISD) that is focused on providing educational and technology services to local school districts in a cost-effective manner so that they can provide students with a superior education. We also operate our Oakland Schools Technical Campuses (OSTC) and Virtual Learning Academy Consortium (VLAC). Through your work at OS, you will help children have the best learning experience possible! To learn more about us, visit <https://www.oakland.k12.mi.us/about>

HOW TO APPLY:

To apply, please use the Oakland County Human Resource Consortium (OHRC) website. You can find it by [clicking here](#). You will need to make an account on the OHRC website to apply.

Oakland Schools is a member of the OHRC. Once you create your account, you will be able to apply for positions within our district as well as positions available through other member districts. All applications must be completed on the OHRC website. Please do not email or fax application materials to Oakland Schools.

POSITION DEADLINE: Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

For questions regarding this position, please contact Alicia Beck at Alica.Beck@oakland.k12.mi.us

In accordance with state and federal law, Oakland Schools does not discriminate, nor permit discrimination, on the basis of race, color, national origin, ethnicity, religion, sex, pregnancy or parental status, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, disability, age, height, weight, marital status, military service, veteran status, genetic information, or any other legally protected status, in its educational programs and activities, employment, or enrollment. The District also provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

For questions or complaints regarding unlawful discrimination or harassment, employees should contact the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Personnel Management and Labor Relations at (248) 209-2429 or HR@oakland.k12.mi.us. Students and others should contact the Civil Rights/Title IX Coordinator at (248) 209-2590 or Jacqueline.Zablocki@oakland.k12.mi.us.