Job Title: Special Education Director Exemption Statu: Exempt

Reports to: Superintendent **Revised:** 10.04.2025

Primary Purpose:

Coordinate and supervise the provision of itinerant special education services and centralized services for students in the member districts of the Shared Services Arrangement.

Qualifications:

Education/Certification:

- Master's degree in Education from an accredited college or university
- Valid Texas teaching certificate with special education endorsement
- Current Texas drivers license

Special Knowledge/Skills

- Knowledge of research-based and current best practices in the evaluation and education of special education students
- Knowledge of federal, state and local regulations and current legal issues surrounding the provision of services to special education students
- Excellent organizational, communication, and interpersonal skills

Experience:

- Prefer minimum of five years teaching experience in special education
- Prefer minimum of two years in leadership position

Major Responsibilities and Duties:

Budget and Inventory

- Develop and administer the approved budgets and ensure that funds are spent in accordance with the adopted budgets
- Maintain a current inventory of supplies and equipment and recommend the replacement and disposal of equipment when necessary.
- Oversee the completion of all budget/financial records, reports and forms as required by the management board, the fiscal agent and TEA
- Ensure adequate accounting procedures and records are maintained for audit purposes

Policy, Reports and Law

- Assume responsibility for confidentiality of special education student records
- Ensure implementation of the regulations established by federal and state law, Commissioner of Education rules and local operating guidelines in all areas of special education
- Compile, maintain and file all reports, records and other documents required by the management board, the fiscal agent and TEA

- Ensure that itinerant staff, superintendents, and campus level administrators are informed of changes in local special education operating guidelines, Commissioner's Rules, and state and federal law
- Encourage and support the development and implementation of effective instructional programs by member district's special education personnel
- Supervise and monitor the Child Find and admission, review and dismissal (ARD) process in all participating districts
- Allocate human and material resources based on evaluation of member district needs
- Involve employees in developing, maintaining, and revising operating guidelines based on systematic review and analysis of needs

Student Management

- Ensure that rules and procedures for the discipline of students with disabilities conform to state and federal laws and are effectively communicated to district personnel
- Establish and maintain open lines of communication with parents and/or students

Personnel Management

- Communicate department needs and concerns to district administration in a timely manner.
- Review and revise job descriptions in special education department
- Select, train, supervise, and evaluate staff and make recommendations relative to assignment, retention, discipline, and dismissal

Communication and Community Relations

- Serve as direct liaison to community agencies providing services to students and notify parents and students of available services
- Demonstrate openness and willingness to listen to parents and community members

General

- Act in a professional manner and maintain a professional attitude towards the public and colleagues
- Maintain confidentiality of sensitive information; adhere to chain of command
- Maintain professional appearance as appropriate for job responsibilities
- Observe professional and ethical standards, in accordance with generally accepted community standards and the Professional Code of Ethics
- Perform other duties as assigned by Superintendent

Supervisory Responsibilities:

Supervise, evaluate, and recommend the hiring and firing of special education support staff

Working Conditions:

Mental Demands/Physical Demands/Environmental Factors:

Maintain emotional control under stress. Frequent, prolonged and irregular hours. Occasional lifting and transporting of materials and/or students. Frequent districtwide travel; occasional statewide travel

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