

# **Resource Teacher – Job Description**

**Location:** 

**Department:** Special Services

Reports to: Building Principal(s) and Director of Special Services

**Supervises:** 

## **Terms of Employment:**

Months Per Year: 10 Hours Per Week: Varies

Full Time/Part Time/Temporary: Full Time Salary Classification: Certified Salary Schedule

\*Possible \$12,000 sign on bonus

## **Nature and Scope of Job:**

The purpose of a Special Education Resource Room teacher is to work with students who are identified under IDEA with a disability. The Special Education Resource Room Teacher will design an individualized program, along with parent(s)/legal guardian(s), to teach academic and/or social skills to students aligned to District and State Standards.

## **Job Functions**

#### **Essential Functions:**

- 1. Plans and implements a program that meets individual needs, interests, and abilities within the Sweetwater County School District #1 curriculum as well as the specifically designed Individualized Education Plan (I.E.P.) for the student.
- 2. Implements curriculum to meet individual student's goals and objectives using effective teaching techniques and materials.
- 3. Develops, in a cooperative manner with the Principal and Director of Special Services, a plan for the improvement and enrichment of instruction in special education.
- 4. Writes specific lesson plans describing daily learning targets aligned to national, state, and district standards.
- 5. Monitors and assesses student progress and provides feedback on a regular basis to students and parents/guardians as defined in the IEP.

- 6. Communicates learning targets to students in a well-planned, organized manner using clear and concise terms.
- 7. Creates a classroom environment conducive to learning and appropriate to the maturity of the students.
- 8. Assists Administration in implementing all Sweetwater County School District #1 policies and procedures along with the district vision and mission.
- 9. Assists Administration in implementing all Sweetwater County School District #1 Special Education Policies and Procedures, Federal Rules and Regulations, and Chapter 7 Rules and Regulations.
- 10. Creates educational experiences to provide students with opportunities to develop skills in decision-making and other areas of social and life skills.
- 11. Respects the dignity of each student as an individual and attempts to gain an adequate understanding of his/her needs, interests, and abilities.
- 12. Communicates concerns and ideas with the appropriate Administration, colleagues, parents, students in a positive, confidential, collaborative manner.
- 13. Assumes legal responsibility for the discipline and supervision of students and maintains a high standard of professional conduct and good rapport with students within the school environment.
- 14. Strives to maintain and improve professional competence.
- 15. Assumes professional and personal responsibility for the management and progress of goals under his/her authority, direction, and supervision.
- 16. Assumes individual responsibility assigned by principal or supervisor which may relate to committee work, student activities, student supervision, or other planning and professional assignments.
- 17. Maintains compliant, accurate, complete, legible, and correct records as required by district, state, and Federal law, Sweetwater County School District #1 policy, and Administrative regulation.
- 18. Takes necessary precautions to protect students, equipment, materials, and facilities.
- 19. Conducts oneself in a professional manner.
- 20. Strives to be a good employee as well as an effective teacher.
- 21. Seeks to establish friendly and cooperative relationships between the home and the school.
- 22. Oversees daily activity of assigned special services paraprofessionals.
- 23. Develops and implements a behavior support plan and modifies as data indicates.

- 24. Writes individual education plans for students and facilitates required meetings.
- 25. Other duties as assigned by Administration.

#### **Other Functions:**

- 1. Attends and supervises school-sponsored field trips as necessary.
- 2. Attends parent and staff meetings.
- 3. Keeps informed by reading building and district communications.
- 4. Responds to requests for information in a timely manner.
- 5. Schedules students to address IEP services.
- 6. Attends trainings and Professional Development Opportunities.

## EMPLOYEES ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR ALL DUTIES OF THIS JOB

#### **Job Qualifications**

## **Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:**

- Possess a strong knowledge of IDEA and Reauthorization of 1997, Rules and Regulations governing Students with Disabilities in Wyoming Public Schools, and local rules and regulations governing services to students with disabilities.
- Possess a broad knowledge of special education process, procedures, documentation, and time frames.
- Possess a broad general knowledge of all subject areas with specific knowledge needed in contract areas.
- Possess teacher leadership skills within the decision-making process.
- Possess group dynamics and interpersonal skills.
- Possess knowledge of physiological, emotional, behavioral, and educational development of students.
- Possess developmentally appropriate classroom management skills with data to support progress or revision.
- Possess technological and computer skills.
- Possess problem solving, imagination, patience, reasoning, creativity, judgment, and analytical abilities.

• Possess excellent organizational and effective time management skills.

## **Education, License, Certification or Formal Training:**

- Degree in Special Education from accredited institution.
- Valid Wyoming Professional Teaching Standards Board Certification or National License relevant to the position.
- Continue professional growth.

## **Equipment Used:**

- Copier
- Docucam
- Laminator
- Promethean board
- Calculator
- Overhead Projector
- Telephone
- Assistive Technology Equipment
- Computer
- Data Support System for IEPs
- Microsoft Office
- iPads

## **Physical Demands:**

- Be able to stand, walk, and sit for long periods without fatigue or discomfort.
- Be able to lift up to 50 pounds and carry a distance of 50 feet.
- Be able to work at a computer monitor for a portion of each day without fatigue or discomfort.

## **Environmental Demands:**

- Be able to spend most of the time inside classrooms with some work outside in cold/hot weather.
- Be able to tolerate noise up to 90 decibels.