



Job Code: 350013
Unit: TCH
FLSA: Exempt

JOB TITLE

TEACHER MENTOR

SUMMARY

The Teacher Mentor position serves a maximum of 4 years providing support for teachers new to the profession, teachers new to Tucson Unified School District (TUSD), and other teachers as assigned by building professional knowledge and refining instructional skills to enhance student learning and achievement. This position serves as a facilitator, coach, resource, and advocate for teachers, and will provide professional development opportunities as appropriate.

MINIMUM JOB REQUIREMENTS

Valid Arizona teaching certificate, with Structured English Endorsement (SEI)

Arizona IVP fingerprint clearance card

Five years teaching experience

Proven outstanding classroom teaching performance as evidenced by performance evaluation results

Two (2) years experience working with adult learners

Experience analyzing and interpreting student achievement data and its application to instruction

Experience working with district adoptions and initiatives

Experience providing job-embedded professional development such as coaching teachers.

Availability to work flex hours as needed, to include evenings and weekends.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

Master's Degree in Education

Two (2) years experience within Tucson Unified School District

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AFTER HIRE

Proof of immunity to rubeola (measles) and rubella (German measles), or proof of MMR immunization

Valid AZ Driver's License required within 10 days of hire. Must not have accrued eight points against driver's license within the past two years.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

THE LIST OF ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS IS NOT EXHAUSTIVE AND MAY BE SUPPLEMENTED.

Attend and participate in mentor trainings and forums.

Attend TUSD professional development about instructional best practices and content.

Attend summer trainings.

Work with a caseload of 15 new teachers.

Travel to multiple school sites to work with teachers.

Provide consistent, job-embedded support to each assigned new teacher once a week-dedicating an average of two hours per teacher per week.

Apply training about the skills of an effective mentor.

Use the Professional Teaching Standards as a tool to guide new teachers.

Identify new teacher needs and tailor support.

- Improve teacher skill and capacity through on-site coaching and mentoring.
- Help new teachers become familiar with school procedures.
- Help new teachers become familiar with school and district resources.
- Co-develop lesson plans.
- Model lessons, strategies or procedures.
- Suggest options for dealing with student behavior.
- Assist with room arrangement to facilitate effective lesson delivery.
- Employ a systematic approach to classroom observation beginning with a planning conference with new teacher, followed by an observation that includes gathering data and ending with a follow up conference to provide feedback.
- Use program protocols to collect and share classroom data with new teachers.
- Share strategies for student assessment and evaluation.
- Work with new teachers to examine examples of student work in order to assess student learning.
- Assist new teachers in preparing for communication with parents.
- Engage teachers in reflective conversations about issues or concerns.
- Guide new teachers in reflection to identify areas of strength and areas for professional growth.

Document activities in a work log and report to New Teacher Induction Coordinator.

Collaborate with program coordinator to maintain an accurate, updated caseload list of new teachers.

Maintain a schedule which is aligned to school site schedules.

Document classroom observations and follow-up with teachers.

Communicate directly with principal, new teachers, and district level personnel.

Collaborate with district content area specialists to support teachers in the implementation of curriculum.

Collaborate with coordinator and other mentors to provide professional development for new teachers.

Meet regularly with program coordinator and other mentors.

Collaborate with program coordinator to provide information to school leaders about supporting new teachers.

MENTAL TASKS

Communicates – verbally and in writing. Reads. Assesses – needs and progress and plans support. Develops, implements, and evaluates plans. Performs functions from written and oral instructions and from observing and listening to others.

PHYSICAL TASKS

Work involves the performance of duties where physical exertion is not normally required to perform all aspects of the job. Work involves sitting for extended periods of time, requires moving from one location to another, reaching, stooping, bending, and holding and grasping objects. Visual weakness must not prohibit the performance of assigned duties. Verbal communicative ability is required of public contact positions.

EQUIPMENT, AIDS, TOOLS, MATERIALS

Uses blackboard, whiteboard, easel, bulletin board, chalk, markers, and office or instructional equipment, such as telephones, fax-machines, computers and associated technology.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Indoor - classroom environment. Contact with the public, employees, and staff members

CONTROL, SUPERVISION

Monitor control Teachers

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