SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SARASOTA COUNTY

JOB DESCRIPTION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PUPIL SUPPORT SERVICES

SALARY SCHEDULE: ADMINISTRATIVE —A

COST CENTER: PUPIL SUPPORT SERVICES (9051)

QUALIFICATIONS:
(1) Master’s Degree from an accredited educational institution.
(2) Certification in Exceptional Student Education, Guidance, School Psychology or Social Work.
(3) Course work in Administration and Supervision or Educational Leadership.
(4) Minimum of five (5) years successful experience as an Exceptional Student Education teacher, guidance counselor, school psychologist or social worker.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:
Knowledge of current trends and research in exceptional student education and student services. Knowledge of issues related to exceptional student curriculum and instructional techniques. Knowledge of rules, regulations, statutes, policies, special programs and procedures affecting individuals with disabilities on a federal, state or local level. Ability to provide consultation and advice to teachers, parents, principals and District staff on exceptional student education and student services policies, procedures, rules, regulations and laws. Knowledge of services and regulations of community agencies, including Child and Family Services, Juvenile Justice and the Health Department. Ability to interpret technical issues related to exceptional student education and/or student services. Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

REPORTS TO:
Deputy Superintendent

JOB GOAL
To provide direction for the development, coordination, supervision and evaluation of all Exceptional Student Education and Student Services Programs.

SUPERVISES:
Program Supervisor Student Services
Program Supervisor Exceptional Student Education
Assigned Personnel in Cost Center 0292

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:
*(1) Direct and supervise a comprehensive District-wide Student Services Program.
*(2) Direct and supervise a comprehensive district-wide Exceptional Student Education Program.
*(3) Direct and supervise the District’s Charter School Program including oversight of the application process, charter development and annual reporting and monitoring system.
*(4) Provide direction for the system-wide screening, interviewing, employment, and evaluation of Exceptional Student Education and Student Services Programs and staff.
*(5) Assist in developing and/or revising goals, policies, procedures, regulations and processes related to Pupil Support Services.
*(6) Ensure compliance with School Board, District and state policies and guidelines in assigned areas of responsibility.
*(7) Serve as cost center head and direct all functions of School 0292, ESE Special Programs.
*(8) Oversee the attendance program, development and revision of the Code of Student Conduct, guidance services, health services and other student services as assigned.
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*(9) Assist in the development of the departmental budget.
*(10) Approve expenditures as appropriate.
*(11) Work cooperatively with appropriate community and state agencies.
*(12) Serve as liaison between the District and a variety of community-based programs.
*(13) Serve as the District contact and liaison between district staff, school based staff, and district legal counsel in dealing with legal issues involving ESE and/or Student Services Programs.
*(14) Assist in assuring that necessary instructional programs and school support services are integrated and articulated District-wide.
*(15) Provide direction for appropriate inservice training for all Pupil Support Services staff.
*(16) Keep up-to-date and well informed of trends, best practices, legislative changes and legal issues in assigned areas of responsibility.
*(17) Keep the Superintendent informed, through the proper channels, of activities, potential problems and unusual events.
*(18) Prepare or oversee the preparation of all required reports and maintain all appropriate records.
*(19) Provide technical assistance to school-level personnel in matters pertaining to assigned areas.
*(20) Prepare and administer all Federal entitlement and/or discretionary grants and projects relative to ESE and/or Student Services Programs.
*(21) Supervise assigned personnel, conduct performance appraisals and make recommendations for appropriate employment action.
*(22) Work cooperatively with district finance and budget staff and principals to assure appropriate staffing and resource allocation for ESE and Student Services Programs.
*(23) Assist in coordinating the work of Pupil Support Services with other District programs as needed.
*(24) Assist in developing FTE projections as appropriate or assigned.
*(25) Make and share decisions in a timely manner.
*(26) Establish high expectations for self and others.
*(27) Demonstrate initiative in recognizing needs or potential for improvement and take appropriate action.
*(28) Use appropriate interpersonal styles and methods to guide individuals and groups to task accomplishment.
*(29) Facilitate problem-solving by groups or individuals.
*(30) Exhibit support for the District’s vision, mission, goals and priorities.
*(31) Perform other incidental tasks as directed by the Executive Director consistent with the goals and objectives of this position.
*(32) Every Sarasota County Schools employee has emergency response responsibilities, though not every position will require routine assignments during an emergency event. All employees are subject to recall around the clock for emergency response operations, which may require irregular work hours, work at locations other than the normal work location, and may include duties other than those specified in the employee’s official job description. Assignments in support of emergency operations may be extensive in nature, with little advance notice, and may require employees to relocate to emergency sites with physically and operationally challenging conditions.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:
Light Work: Exerting up to 20 pounds of force occasionally and/or up to 10 pounds of force as frequently as needed to move objects.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:
Salary and benefits shall be paid consistent with the District’s approved compensation plan. Length of the work year and hours of employment shall be those established by the District.

EVALUATION:
Performance of this job will be evaluated in accordance with provisions of the Board’s policy on evaluation of personnel.
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*Essential Performance Responsibilities