# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SARASOTA COUNTY

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

### ESE PARAPROFESSIONAL

### SALARY SCHEDULE: SSP-7

### **COST CENTER: DISTRICT-WIDE**

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- (1) High School diploma or equivalent
- (2) A passing score on the Para Pro Assessment Test or an Associate of Art's / Associate of Science Degree or sixty (60) hour equivalent from an accredited educational institution.
- (3) Must successfully complete verbal and physical CPI training within the probationary period.
- (4) At time of hire, may be required to register for and successfully complete forty (40) hours of training / workshops in the area of autism and/or related disorders to obtain ASD certification by the end of the probationary period.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Basic knowledge and understanding of children. Ability to communicate effectively. Knowledge of general computer use. Ability to follow directions. Ability to work independently as well as collaboratively.

### **REPORTS TO:**

Principal or Designee

### **JOB GOAL**

To implement academic and behavioral instruction and supervision to students independently at the direction of the classroom teacher.

#### **SUPERVISES:**

N/A

### **PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- \* (1) Independently supervise and implement instruction to students as assigned.
- \* (2) Assist staff members with behavioral management.
- \* (3) Assist in creating a safe learning environment and workplace.
- \* (4) Implement classroom activities as directed.
- \* (5) Assist with the preparation of accurate records, reports and other clerical duties as assigned.
- \* (6) Assist with the development of instructional materials.
- \* (7) Assist with personal care and hygiene including but not limited to diapering, toileting, feeding, and medical tasks.
- \* (8) Assist with school wide supervisory tasks as assigned.
- \* (9) Assist with assessing student progress.
- \*(10) Communicate effectively with staff and parents.
- \*(11) Use specialized equipment as required.
- \*(12) Intervene in situations concerning discipline of students when students' health and/or safety is at risk.
- \*(13) Demonstrate initiative in the performance of assigned responsibilities.
- \*(14) Model and maintain high ethical standards.
- \*(15) Follow attendance, punctuality and proper dress rules.
- \*(16) Maintain confidentiality regarding school matters.

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- \*(17) Maintain positive relationships with staff and vendors.
- \*(18) Participate in workshops and training sessions as required **to** meet the needs of the classroom and student population.
- \*(19) Keep supervisor informed of potential problems or unusual events.
- \*(20) Respond to inquiries and concerns in a timely manner.
- \*(21) Follow all School Board policies, rules and regulations.
- \*(22) Exhibit interpersonal skills to work as an effective team member.
- \*(23) Demonstrate support for the School District and its goals and priorities.
- \*(24) Sustained focus and attention to detail for extended periods of time.
- (25) Perform other incidental tasks consistent with the goals and objectives of this position.

### **PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:**

Heavy Work: Exerting up to 100 pounds of force occasionally and/or up to 50 pounds of force frequently and/or up to 20 pounds of force as needed to move objects or individuals. In an emergency, worker may be required to restrain a physically active individual as a temporary safety precaution.

### **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