Administrative Assistant to SPED Director

Purpose Statement

The job of Administrative Assistant to SPED Director is done for the purpose/s of providing a wide variety of complex and confidential administrative and secretarial support to assigned administrator; conveying information regarding department functions and procedures; ensuring efficient operation of support functions; and coordinating assigned projects and site activities.

This job reports to Director of Special Education

Essential Functions

- Assists technical state software program training (e.g. orientation of Special Education Specialists, etc.) for the purpose of providing necessary technical support.
- Compiles data from a wide variety of sources (e.g. disability costs and rates, time sheets, calendars, expenditures/budget, Internet research, etc.) for the purpose of preparing reports, making recommendations, and/or preparing information for assigned administrator.
- Coordinates a wide variety of projects, functions and/or program components (e.g. meetings, in-service
 events, travel and accommodations, complex office support services, etc.) for the purpose of completing
 activities and/or delivering services in a timely fashion.
- Maintains a wide variety of manual and electronic documents files and records (e.g. budget data, state
 contracts, student placement, employee records, financial records, reports, etc.) for the purpose of
 providing up-to-date information and/or historical reference in accordance with established administrative
 guidelines and legal requirements.
- Monitors a wide variety of activities on behalf of assigned Administrator (e.g. program components, meeting arrangements, account balances, work order status, etc.) for the purpose of achieving goals and meeting target dates in compliance with established guidelines and regulatory requirements.
- Oversees the work activities within the office (e.g. payroll, grant preparation, spreadsheets, monthly budget reports, Director's schedule, receiving and transferring calls, answering questions, etc.) for the purpose of organizing assignments, monitoring progress, and ensuring completion of work for the Special Education Department, following established guidelines.
- Participates in a variety of meetings, workshops, and/or trainings for the purpose of providing or receiving information, recording minutes, and supporting the needs of the attendees.
- Prepares a wide variety of reports, documents and correspondence of a confidential and non-confidential nature (e.g. letters, memorandums, meeting minutes, charts, out of district student invoices, periodic and ad-hoc reports, operational procedures, manuals, budget enhancement lists and narratives, etc.) for the purpose of documenting activities, providing written reference, and/or conveying information.
- Presents information on administrative procedures (e.g. department/program policies, submission procedures, etc.) for the purpose of orienting new personnel and/or disseminating information to existing personnel.
- Processes a wide variety of documents and materials (e.g. time sheets, work orders, requisitions, travel reimbursements, budget transfers, etc.) for the purpose of disseminating information in compliance with administrative guidelines and/or regulatory requirements.
- Procures supplies and materials (e.g. utilizing P-card purchasing, etc.) for the purpose of maintaining availability of required items; maintaining accurate records.

- Reconciles account balances for assigned budget categories for the purpose of maintaining accurate
 account balances.
- Represents assigned Administrator in their absence for the purpose of conveying and/or gathering information required for their functions.
- Researches a variety of topics (e.g. current practices, policies, education codes, etc.) for the purpose of providing information and/or recommendations that address a variety of administrative requirements.
- Responds to a wide variety of inquiries from internal and external parties (e.g. staff, parents, students, public agencies, etc.) for the purpose of providing information, facilitating communication among parties and/or providing direction.
- Schedules a wide variety of activities (e.g. appointments, meetings, travel reservations/accommodations, facility usage, etc.) for the purpose of making necessary arrangements for assigned administrator.
- Supports assigned administrative personnel for the purpose of providing assistance with their functions and responsibilities.

Other Functions

 Performs other related duties as assigned for the purpose of ensuring the efficient and effective functioning of the work unit.

Job Requirements: Minimum Qualifications

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities

SKILLS are required to perform single, technical tasks with a need to occasionally upgrade skills in order to meet changing job conditions. Specific skill based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: operating standard office equipment including using job related software applications; preparing and maintaining accurate records; strong communication skills; and planning and managing projects.

KNOWLEDGE is required to perform basic math, including calculations using fractions, percents, and/or ratios; read technical information, compose a variety of documents, and/or facilitate group discussions; and analyze situations to define issues and draw conclusions. Specific knowledge based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: accounting/bookkeeping principles; business telephone etiquette; common office machines; concepts of grammar and punctuation; knowledge of complex state guidelines/procedures in creating student contracts; and office methods and practices.

ABILITY is required to schedule a number of activities, meetings, and/or events; gather and/or collate data; and use basic, job-related equipment. Flexibility is required to independently work with others in a wide variety of circumstances; work with data utilizing defined but different processes; and operate equipment using standardized methods. Ability is also required to work with a diversity of individuals and/or groups; work with data of varied types and/or purposes; and utilize job-related equipment. Problem solving is required to analyze issues and create action plans. Problem solving with data frequently requires independent interpretation of guidelines; and problem solving with equipment is limited to moderate. Specific ability based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: adapting to changing work priorities; communicating with diverse groups; maintaining confidentiality; solving problems; working with diverse individuals and groups; meeting deadlines and schedules; setting priorities; working as part of a team; and working with frequent interruptions.

Responsibility

Responsibilities include: working under limited supervision using standardized practices and/or methods; directing other persons within a small work unit; monitoring budget expenditures. Utilization of some resources from other work units is often required to perform the job's functions. There is a continual opportunity to impact the organization's services.

Work Environment

The usual and customary methods of performing the job's functions require the following physical demands: some lifting, carrying, pushing, and/or pulling, some stooping, kneeling, crouching, and/or crawling and significant fine finger dexterity. Generally the job requires 60% sitting, 20% walking, and 20% standing. This job is performed in a generally clean and healthy environment.

Experience: Job related experience with increasing levels of responsibility is required.

Education: Community college and/or vocational school degree with study in job-related area.

Equivalency:

Required Testing: Certificates and Licenses

Continuing Educ. / Training: Clearances

Criminal Justice Fingerprint/Background Clearance

FLSA Status Approval Date Salary Grade

Exempt