



Poudre School District

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: **Elementary Special Education Teacher**
 Job Family: **Licensed**
 Prepared/Revised Date: **January 17, 2022**

FLSA Status: **Exempt**
 Pay Range: **T Salary Schedule**
 Job Code: **20201**

SUMMARY: Responsible for instructing academic functional classes to students in Integrated Services/Special Education programs in coordination with current curriculum and within the framework of District and state content standards.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: *To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.*

DESCRIPTION OF JOB TASKS	
1.	Develop, plan, prepare, and implement: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Course content, format, structure, and schedule. Classroom materials, activities, and lesson plans. Individualized Education Plan (IEP) goals, objectives, and transition plans. Scheduling of staff and meetings in compliance with IEPs.
2.	Instruct students in large, small, and/or one-on-one situations across curriculum to students with a wide range of skills.
3.	Organize and facilitate schedules of students and paraprofessionals and assist in the development of master schedule for the Integrated Services department.
4.	Assist in the supervision and direction of special education paraprofessionals.
5.	Create a classroom environment which maximizes instructional opportunity, supervise the behavior and well-being of students in the classroom and all educational settings, and administer discipline when appropriate.
6.	Monitor student learning and progress to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate success of the educational approaches, specialized instruction, supports, and services. Adapt support as needed. Maintain documentation pertinent to academic, social, and emotional progress and needs of students.
7.	Communicate students' progress and needs with parents/guardians and other staff as needed.
8.	Collaborate: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> With teachers, support personnel, administrators, and other special education providers to enhance instruction and improve student outcomes. With outside agencies to promote student success. With colleagues in team and building-based meetings and discussions.
9.	Demonstrate a commitment to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Understand, appreciate, and make accommodations for student diversity. Include and engage families in the student's education Support all Poudre School District policies, procedures, and expectations. Provide personal and professional excellence.
10.	Participate in: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Department, team, building, IEP/staffing, and district meetings and discussions. Student and/or family conferences and other meetings. Social, cultural, interscholastic, and extracurricular activities. Professional growth opportunities.
11.	Attend work and arrive in a timely manner.
12.	Perform other duties as assigned.



EDUCATION AND RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE:

- Bachelor’s degree with proper teaching licensure program required.
- Experience in an educational setting with students with special needs preferred.

LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS, or CERTIFICATIONS:

- Criminal background check required for hire.
- Valid Colorado teaching license with appropriate endorsements required.
- Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) required within 3 months of hire.
- CPR and First Aid certifications encouraged.

TECHNICAL SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, & ABILITIES:

- Oral and written communication skills.
- English language skills.
- Interpersonal relations skills.
- Math and accounting skills.
- Critical thinking and problem-solving skills.
- Bilingual oral and written communication skills preferred.
- Ability to work supportively with other teachers, staff, and administrators to provide an effective learning environment.
- Ability to communicate with students, parents/guardians, staff, and community members.
- Ability to be a part of and work with a team.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality in all aspects of the job.
- Ability to manage multiple priorities.
- Ability to manage multiple tasks with frequent interruptions.
- Ability to lift and transfer students, provide behavior supports including de-escalation and physical assistance, and follow health care procedures that could include feeding, personal care, etc.
- Ability to maintain honesty and integrity in all aspects of the job.
- Ability and willingness to adhere to attendance requirements, including regular and punctual employee presence.
- Ability to promote and follow Board of Education policies, Superintendent policies, and building and department procedures.
- Ability to communicate, interact, and work effectively and cooperatively with people from diverse ethnic and educational backgrounds.
- Ability to recognize the importance of safety in the workplace, follow safety rules, practice safe work habits, utilize appropriate safety equipment, and report unsafe conditions to the appropriate administrator.

MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT-OPERATING KNOWLEDGE:

- Operating knowledge of and experience with personal computers and peripherals.
- Operating knowledge of and experience with Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Publisher, Outlook, FrontPage, and/or other department software packages.
- Operating knowledge of and experience with typical educational/instructional technology equipment and programs.
- Operating knowledge of and experience with typical office equipment.

REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS & DIRECTION/GUIDANCE:

	POSITION TITLE	# of EMPLOYEES
Direct reports:	This job has no direct supervisory responsibilities.	0



PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS & WORKING CONDITIONS: *The physical demands, work environment factors and mental functions described below are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.*

PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES:	Amount of Time			
	None	Under 1/3	1/3 to 2/3	Over 2/3
Stand			X	
Walk			X	
Sit			X	
Use hands to finger, handle, or feel		X		
Reach with hands and arms		X		
Climb or balance	X			
Stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl	X			
Talk				X
Hear				X
Taste	X			
Smell	X			

WEIGHT and FORCE DEMANDS:	Amount of Time			
	None	Under 1/3	1/3 to 2/3	Over 2/3
Up to 10 pounds		X		
Up to 25 pounds	X			
Up to 50 pounds	X			
Up to 100 pounds	X			
More than 100 pounds	X			

MENTAL FUNCTIONS:	Amount of Time			
	None	Under 1/3	1/3 to 2/3	Over 2/3
Compare			X	
Analyze			X	
Communicate				X
Copy		X		
Coordinate				X
Instruct				X
Compute		X		
Synthesize		X		
Evaluate				X
Interpersonal Skills				X
Compile		X		
Negotiate	X			

WORK ENVIRONMENT:	Amount of Time			
	None	Under 1/3	1/3 to 2/3	Over 2/3
Wet or humid conditions (non-weather)	X			
Work near moving mechanical parts	X			
Work in high, precarious places	X			
Fumes or airborne particles	X			
Toxic or caustic chemicals	X			
Outdoor weather conditions		X		
Extreme cold (non-weather)	X			
Extreme heat (non-weather)	X			
Risk of electrical shock	X			
Work with explosives	X			
Risk of radiation	X			



WORK ENVIRONMENT:	Amount of Time			
	None	Under 1/3	1/3 to 2/3	Over 2/3
Vibration	X			

VISION DEMANDS:	Required
No special vision requirements.	
Close vision (clear vision at 20 inches or less)	X
Distance vision (clear vision at 20 feet or more)	X
Color vision (ability to identify and distinguish colors)	
Peripheral vision	
Depth perception	
Ability to adjust focus	X

NOISE LEVEL:	Exposure Level
Very quiet	
Quiet	
Moderate	X
Loud	
Very Loud	