# PLEASANTVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS PLEASANTVILLE, NEW JERSEY JOB DESCRIPTION

## **Special Services**

### TITLE: LEARNING DISABILITIES TEACHER-CONSULTANT (LDTC)

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. Hold a New Jersey Educational Services Certificate with a Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant Endorsement in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A 18A:27.1 et seg., and N.J.A.C. Title 6 Chapter 11.
- 2. Minimum experience as determined by the board
- 3. Knowledge of laws and regulations governing special education; and demonstrated ability to effectively assess children's learning characteristics, design appropriate instructional strategies and plan educational programs
- 4. Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- 5. Required criminal history check and proof of U.S. citizenship or resident alien status
- 6. Current residency in New Jersey, approved residency waiver or candidate agrees to obtain residency within one year of employment.
- 7. Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively and concisely in English, both orally and in writing, using proper grammar and vocabulary.
- 8. Have excellent integrity and demonstrate good moral character and initiative. Demonstrate the ability to use electronic equipment for work processing, data management, information retrieval, visual presentations, and telecommunications.
- 9. Provide proof of U.S. citizenship or legal resident alien status by completing Federal Form I-9 in compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- 10. Provide evidence that a criminal record history check has been conducted and clearance has been given by the Department of Education. During the initial six month period provide a sworn statement that the individual has not been convicted of a crime or a disorderly person's offense in accordance with 18A:6-7.1.
- 11. Provide evidence that health is adequate to fulfill the job functions and responsibilities with reasonable accommodation pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 12101 and in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:3-4A.4
- 12. Pass the state required Mantoux Intradermal Tuberculin Test as required by N.J.A.C. 6:3-4A.4.
- 13. Meet such alternates to the above qualifications, as the Superintendent may deem appropriate, acceptable and legal.

# **REPORTS TO:** Director of Special Services

#### JOB GOAL:

To effectively assess pupils' learning characteristics and design appropriate instructional plans in order to enable each pupil to maximize his/her learning potential.

#### PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Participates in the evaluation, classification and placement of all pupils with special needs.
- 2. Assesses academic proficiency and learning characteristics of each pupil referred to the child study team for evaluation and interprets the findings in written reports and informal conferences.
- 3. Assists in the development and coordination of an appropriate individualized education program for each pupil requiring special education and/or related services. Participates in the ongoing assessment of academic achievement and educational placement of classified pupils.
- 4. Consults with classroom teachers, administrators and parents regarding special instructional methods and/or materials necessary to meet the specific needs of individual pupils.
- 5. Keeps up-to-date in the field of learning disabilities and with current regulations governing the education of pupils with disabilities.
- 6. Participates in the development and delivery of inservice programs and parent seminars related to learning disabilities and effective teaching methods.
- 7. Works to keep the community informed of the special education program and the role of the learning disability

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teacher-consultant.

- 8. Serves as a case manager as assigned and maintains appropriate case records.
- 9. Maintains professional competence through inservice education and other professional growth activities.
- 10. Performs all duties required as a member of the child study team by administrative code, state and federal laws and board policy.
- 11. Performs other related duties as assigned by the superintendent of schools or the student personnel services director.

#### **PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential responsibilities and functions of the job and are not meant to be all inclusive. Reasonable accommodation may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential responsibilities and functions of the job.

Unless reasonable accommodations can be made, while performing this job the staff member shall:

- 1. Use strength to lift items needed to perform the functions of the job.
- 2. Sit, stand and walk for required periods of time.
- 3. Speak and hear.
- 4. Use close vision, color vision, peripheral vision and depth perception along with the ability to focus vision.
- 5. Communicate effectively in English, using proper grammar and vocabulary. American Sign Language or Braille may also be considered as acceptable forms of communication.
- 6. Reach with hands and arms and use hands and fingers to handle objects and operate tools, computers, and/or controls.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DEMANDS:**

The environmental demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential responsibilities and functions of the job and are not meant to be all inclusive.

- 1. Exposure to a variety of childhood and adult diseases and illnesses.
- 2. Occasional exposure to a variety of weather conditions.
- 3. Exposure to heated/air conditioned and ventilated facilities.
- 4. Exposure to a building in which a variety of chemical substances are used for cleaning, instruction, and/or operation of equipment.
- 5. Function in a workplace that is usually moderately quiet but that can be noisy at times.

**TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:** 10-month employee, salary and work year as set by the PEA Contract.

**ANNUAL EVALUATION:** Performance of this job will be evaluated annually in accordance with NJ State law and the provisions of the board's policy on evaluations.

Approved by: Pleasantville BOE

Date: August 11, 2020

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#### **LEGAL REFERENCES:**

N.J.S.A. 10:5 Law Against Discrimination

N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 Criminal history record; employee in regular contact with pupils; grounds for

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disqualification from employment; exception N.J.S.A. 18A:6-10 Dismissal and reduction in compensation of persons under tenure in public school system Officers and employees N.J.S.A. 18A:16-1 N.J.S.A. 18A:16-2 Physical examinations; requirement N.J.S.A. 18A:26-1 Citizenship of teachers, etc. Certificates required; exception N.J.S.A. 18A:26-2 N.J.S.A. 18A:27 Employment and contracts N.J.S.A. 18A:28-3 No tenure for noncitizens N.J.S.A. 18A:28-5 Tenure of teaching staff members N.J.S.A. 18A:28-8 Notice of intention to resign required N.J.S.A. 18A:46 Classes and facilities for handicapped children See particularly: N.J.S.A. 18A:46-5.1 Basic child study team services; provision by boards of education and state operated programs N.J.A.C. 6A:7 Managing for equality and equity in education N.J.A.C. 6A:8 Standards and assessment N.J.A.C. 6A:9 Professional licensure and standards See particularly: N.J.A.C. 6A:9-3.3 Professional standards for teachers N.J.A.C. 6A:9B State board of examiners and certification See particularly: N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-5 General certification policies N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-9 Requirements for educational services certificate Learning disabilities teacher-consultant N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-12.10 N.J.A.C. 6A:9C-3 Required professional development for teachers and school leaders N.J.A.C. 6A:10 Educator effectiveness See particularly: N.J.A.C. 6A:10-2.1 et seq. Evaluation of teaching staff members N.J.A.C. 6A:10-4.1 et seg. Components of teacher evaluation N.J.A.C. 6A:10-6.1 et seg. Evaluation of teaching staff members other than teachers, principals, vice principals and assistant principals Special education N.J.A.C. 6A:14 N.J.A.C. 6A:16 Programs to support student development N.J.A.C. 6A:32-4 Employment of teaching staff N.J.A.C. 6A:32-5.1 Standards for determining seniority N.J.A.C. 6A:32-6 School employee physical examinations N.J.A.C. 6A:32-7 Student records N.J.A.C. 6A:32-8 Attendance and pupil accounting Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, 8 U.S.C.A. 1100 et seq. Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.

Agostini v. Felton, 65 U.S.L.W. 4524 (1997), overruling Aguilar v. Felton, 473 U.S. 402 (1985)

Honig v. Doe, 484 U.S. 305 (1988)

Oberti v. Board of Education of Clementon School District, 995 F.2d 1204, 1216-17 (3d Cir. 1993)

Every Student Succeeds Act, Pub. L. 114-95, Title 1, 20 U.S.C.A. 6301 et seq.