

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Human Resources Division

Class Description
SENIOR EDUCATIONAL AUDIOLOGIST

Job Purpose

Serves as a staff member in the Special Education Division; provides technical assistance to the Educational Audiologists in matters relating to deaf and hard of hearing programs and other special education programs.

Responsible to

Coordinator, Special Education Services Unit as designated

Subordinates

Educational Audiologist(s) as assigned for technical direction

Functions

Essential Functions

1. Provides assistance to and reviews the work of Educational Audiologists and signs related audiologic reports.
2. Interprets audiologic data and participates on committees determining eligibility and placement of hearing impaired students.
3. Provides audiologic evaluation of referred students.
4. Prepares specifications for classroom amplification systems and develops procedures for monitoring and maintaining such equipment.
5. Provides leadership in the development and selection of appropriate listening skills curriculum for hearing impaired students.
6. Cooperates with vendors in calibrating audiological test equipment and classroom amplification systems.
7. Assists in projecting annual expenses for the purchase or construction of test rooms and the procurement of audiologic equipment.
8. Serves as technical resource person to District personnel in the design of audiologic testing facilities for the Special Education Division.
9. Provides leadership and participates in planning in-service education and staff development programs relating to audiologic procedures and practices for District personnel and parent groups.
10. Cooperates with District personnel in the incorporation of audiological services into appropriate phases of instruction and school activities.
11. Evaluates the performance of subordinate personnel.

Other Functions

1. During periods of critical personnel shortage or other emergency situations, shall temporarily perform any duties, as directed, within the authorization of any credentials held by the incumbent that are registered with the Office of the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools and that are a part of the class description requirements in effect at the time such duties are performed.
2. Performs other duties as assigned in accordance with the District/UTLA Agreement.

Qualifications

Education

Required

An earned master's degree or advanced degree of at least equivalent standard from a regionally-accredited college or university.

Desirable

A valid certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology from the American Speech and Hearing Association.

Experience

At least three school years of successful full-time certificated service as an audiologist, speech and hearing specialist, or teacher of the deaf and hard of hearing, with a background in audiology.

NOTE: For definitions of years of service, refer to Policy Guide E23.

Credentials

A valid California credential or combination of credentials authorizing service as an audiologist must be in force and on file in the Office of the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools.

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities, and Personal Characteristics

1. Broad knowledge in the field of audiology.
2. Skill in assessing audiologic impairments and planning programs to serve hearing impaired students.
3. Knowledge of the uses and limitations of individual testing procedures and rehabilitative devices.
4. Skill in the selection and use of classroom amplification systems, hearing aids, and testing equipment and ability to relate these to their calibration and performance characteristics.
5. Skill in interpreting and reporting audiometric, audiologic, and related behavioral and electro-physiological test data.
6. Ability to recognize needs of individual students in relation to audiological assistance.
7. Understanding of the relationship between the total educational program and audiological services.
8. Facility in oral and written communication.
9. Appropriate appearance and cleanliness.
10. Appropriate manner including poise, tact, good judgment, and ability to work effectively with District personnel, community representatives, and students.

Health

Physical and mental fitness to engage in service as an audiologist as certified by a licensed physician and surgeon or medical officer pursuant to Education Code Section 44839 and evidence of freedom from active tuberculosis pursuant to Education Code Section 49406.

Special Requirements

A valid California Driver License and the use of an automobile.

NOTE: This is a Special Services Salary (D) Table classification.

This class description is not a complete statement of essential functions and responsibilities. The District retains the discretion to add or change typical duties of a position at any time.

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