JOB DESCRIPTION

PRINCIPAL – MIDDLE SCHOOL
STEAM Academy

JOB TITLE: Principal – Middle School STEAM Academy
WAGE/HOUR STATUS: Exempt

REPORTS TO: Assistant Superintendent, Campus Accountability

TERMS: 226 Days

DEPARTMENT: Campus Assigned
PAY GRADE: Administrative 7

PRIMARY PURPOSE:
Direct and manage the instructional program and supervise operations and personnel at the campus level; provide instructional leadership to ensure high standards of instructional service; oversee compliance with district policies, success of instructional programs, and operation of all campus activities

QUALIFICATIONS:

Education/Certification:
Master’s degree in Educational Administration from an accredited college or university
Texas Mid-Management or other appropriate Texas certificate
Certified Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS) appraiser

Special Knowledge/Skills:
- Working knowledge of curriculum and instruction
- Ability to evaluate instructional program and teaching effectiveness
- Ability to manage budget and personnel
- Ability to coordinate campus functions
- Ability to interpret policy, procedures, and data
- Strong organizational, communication, public relations, and interpersonal skills

Experience:
Minimum three years of successful experience as a classroom teacher/supervisor
Minimum three years of successful experience in instructional leadership roles at the secondary level; instructional leadership training; successful experience in a culturally diverse middle school or comparable administrative experience, preferred
MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:

Instructional Management

1. Monitor instructional and managerial processes to ensure that program activities are related to program outcomes and use findings to take corrective actions

2. Regularly consult the campus-level committee about planning, operation, supervision, and evaluation of campus education program; include students and community representatives when appropriate

3. Participate in development and evaluation of STEAM educational programs

4. Encourage and support development of innovative instructional programs, helping teachers pilot such efforts when appropriate

5. Promote the use of technology in teaching/learning process

School or Organization Morale

6. Provide instructional resources and materials to support teaching staff in accomplishing instructional goals

7. Foster collegiality and team building among staff members; encourage their active involvement in decision-making process

8. Provide for two-way communication with superintendent, staff, students, parents, and community

9. Communicate and promote expectations for high-level performance to staff and students; recognize excellence and achievement

10. Ensure the effective and quick resolution of conflicts

11. Serve as a Liaison to the District Magnet Grant Manager and ensure communication and collaboration for grant compliance

School or Organization Improvement

12. Build common vision for school improvement with staff; direct planning activities and put programs in place with staff to ensure attainment of school’s mission
MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES: (continued)

School or Organization Improvement (continued)

13. Identify, analyze, and apply research findings (e.g., effective school correlates) to promote school improvement

14. Develop and set annual campus performance objectives for each of the academic excellence indicators using the campus planning process and site-based decision making committee

15. Develop, maintain, and use information systems and records necessary to show campus progress on performance objectives addressing each academic excellence indicator

Personnel Management

16. Interview, select, and orient new staff; approve all personnel assigned to campus

17. Define expectations for staff performance with regard to instructional strategies, classroom management, and communication with the public

18. Observe employee performance, record observations, and conduct evaluation conferences with staff

19. Assign and promote campus personnel

20. Make recommendations to superintendent on termination, suspension, or non-renewal of employees assigned to campus

21. Work with campus-level planning and decision-making committees to plan professional development activities

22. Confer with subordinates regarding their professional growth; work with them to develop and accomplish improvement goals

Management of Fiscal, Administrative, and Facilities Functions

23. Develop campus budgets based on documented program needs, estimated enrollment, personnel, and other fiscal needs; keep programs within budget limits; maintain fiscal control; accurately report fiscal information
MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES: (continued)

Management of Fiscal, Administrative, and Facilities Functions (continued)

24. Compile, maintain, and file all physical and computerized reports, records, and other documents required including accurate and timely reports of maximum attendance to requisition textbooks

25. Manage use of school facilities; supervise maintenance of facilities to ensure a clean, orderly, and safe campus

   [Secondary Principals: Direct and manage extracurricular and intramural programs including management of multiple activity funds]

Student Management

26. Work with faculty and students to develop a student discipline management system that results in positive student behavior and enhances the school climate

27. Ensure that school rules are uniformly observed and that student discipline is appropriate and equitable in accordance with Student Code of Conduct and student handbook

28. Conduct conferences about student and school issues with parents, students, and teachers

Professional Growth and Development

29. Develop professional skills appropriate to job assignment

30. Demonstrate professional, ethical, and responsible behavior; serve as a role model for all campus staff

School or Community Relations

31. Articulate the school’s mission to the community and solicit its support in realizing the mission

32. Demonstrate awareness of school and community needs and initiate activities to meet those needs

33. Use appropriate and effective techniques to encourage community and parent involvement
MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES: (continued)

Other

34. Comply with district policies, as well as state and federal laws and regulations

35. Adhere to the district’s safety policies and procedures

36. Maintain confidentiality in the conduct of district business

37. Must be able to perform the essential functions of walking and interacting with students and/or district employees in the specific work site assigned (classroom or office setting)

38. Demonstrate regular and prompt attendance

39. Other duties as assigned

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Supervise and evaluate the performance of staff assigned to campus including assistant principal(s), teacher(s), counselor(s), librarian(s), instructional aides, clerical support staff, and custodians

EQUIPMENT USED:

Copier, personal computer and appropriate software, typewriter, printer, calculator, fax machine and audio-visual equipment

WORKING CONDITIONS:

Mental Demands:

Reading, ability to communicate effectively (verbal and written); maintain emotional control under stress; coordinate district-wide curriculum functions; interpret policy, procedures, and data
WORKING CONDITIONS: (continued)

Physical Demands/Environmental Factors:

Frequent standing, stooping, bending, pulling, pushing; move small stacks of textbooks, media equipment, desks, and other classroom equipment; repetitive hand motions; prolonged use of computer terminal possible; occasional district-wide travel; occasional state-wide travel; frequent prolonged and irregular hours; possible biological exposure to bacteria and communicable diseases; specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, peripheral vision, and the ability to adjust focus.

EVALUATION:

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The foregoing statements describe the general purpose and responsibilities assigned to this job and are not an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills that may be required. This job description is not an employment agreement or contract. The administration has the exclusive right to alter this job description at any time without notice.

Printed Name: _____________________________________

Signature: __________________________________________   Date: __________________________

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