

JOB DESCRIPTION PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT – SPECIAL EDUCATION

JOB TITLE:	Physical Therapist Assistant	WAGE/HOUR STATUS:	Exempt
REPORTS TO:	Director of Special Education	TERMS:	187 Days
DEPARTMENT:	Campus Assigned	PAY GRADE:	Professional 1

PRIMARY PURPOSE:

To deliver physical therapy treatment under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist to students in special education as designated in the IEP

QUALIFICATIONS:

Education/Certification:

Physical Therapy Assistant License

Special Knowledge/Skills:

Knowledge of medical information and indications for physical therapy treatment Ability to administer manual exercises and physical therapy treatments Ability to instruct students and manage their behavior Excellent organizational, communication and interpersonal skills

Experience:

One-year experience as a physical therapist

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:

Behavior Management Programming

- 1. Implement student physical therapy goals and objectives under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist
- 2. Consult with the licensed physical therapist on specific student treatment plans, goals, and objectives



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MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES: (continued)

Behavior Management Programming (continued)

- 3. Provide assistance to the classroom teacher on accommodations for special physical needs of students in the school setting
- 4. Comply with the rules and regulations of the Physical Therapy Practice Act
- 5. Abide by the Code of Ethics of the American Physical Therapy Association
- 6. Comply with campus rules, administrative regulations, and state and local board policy
- 7. Consult with educational staff regarding the use of specialized equipment and materials
- 8. Consult with parents, teachers, administrators, and other relevant people to enhance their work with students
- 9. Effectively communicate with colleagues, students, and parents
- 10. Participate in professional development activities to improve skills related to job assignments

Other

- 11. Comply with district policies, as well as state and federal laws and regulations
- 12. Adhere to the district's safety policies and procedures
- 13. Maintain confidentiality in the conduct of district business
- 14. 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)
- 15. Demonstrate regular and prompt attendance
- 16. Other duties as assigned

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:

None



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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); ability to attend to detail; maintain emotional control under stress; coordinate district-wide curriculum functions; interpret policy, procedures, and data

Physical Demands/Environmental Factors:

Frequent standing, stooping, bending, pulling, pushing; move small stacks of textbooks, media equipment, desks, and other classroom or adaptive 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; may be required to lift and position students with physical disabilities; control behavior through physical restraint; assist non-ambulatory students.

EVALUATION:

Performance of this job will be evaluated annually in accordance with provisions of the board's policy of evaluation of administrative personnel.

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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