# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### **Director of Special Education**

#### **Primary Function**

Provide administrative leadership and assume responsibility for the planning, implementation, and evaluation of district-wide special education programs and services.

#### **Directly Responsible To**

The Assistant Superintendent, Special Education Chief, Pupil Services & Special Education

#### **Supervision**

At the direction of the Assistant Superintendent, Special Education Chief, Pupil Services & Special Education may be responsible for the evaluation and supervision of Related Service Personnel the following job classifications:

Administrator, Special Education - SDC Administrator, Special Education - DIS/RS Principal, Special Education School Program Specialist School Psychologist Supervises and evaluates other assigned certificated and classified staff.

#### **Major Responsibilities**

- 1. Assist in the organization, administration, and supervision of the special education programs and services.
- 2. Develop and implement in-service programs related to special education for staff, as well as the parent community.
- 3. Assist in the development of an effective communication network to support parents and maintain positive communication.
- 4. Supervise and monitor the Management Information System for Special Education Students
- 5. Complete and submit accurate reports as required by district, state, and federal jurisdictions.
- 6. Meet on a regularly scheduled basis with school-level leadership personnel responsible for special education in the schools.
- 7. Work with other departments and school sites to assure the alignment of the curriculum between the general education program and the curriculum offered in the Special Education classroom.
- 8. Assist in the supervision and <del>counseling of</del> guidance for special education staff in the operation of their programs and recommends modification and/or

additional programs as needed.

- 9. Supervise, evaluate and monitor the performance of certificated and classified personnel directly responsible to him/her.
- 10. Assist in the administration of all department-related aspects of negotiated employee contracts.
- 11. Administer, supervise, coordinate and evaluate Special Education Programs in accordance with the Local Plan for Special Education
- a. Special Education Centers -
- b. Psychological Services Program
- 12. Provide leadership in creating healthful human relationships which will provide a suitable climate for learning and teaching.
- 13. Work cooperatively with individuals and groups in relating the activities of special education with district-wide education programs.
- 14. Work cooperatively with the Directors of Certificated and Classified Personnel Services in recruitment, development, interviewing, selection, assignment, transfer, and separation of special education personnel.
- 15. Act as liaison between district programs and the appropriate local, county, state, and national agencies.
- 16. Seek out alternative funding sources through grants and other sources.
- 17. Develop and maintain liaisons with appropriate referral agencies in the community.
- 18. Attend all meetings and other job-related meetings and activities specified by the Assistant Superintendent, Special Education Chief, Pupil Services & Special Education.
- Perform additional duties assigned by the Assistant Superintendent, Special Education Chief, Pupil Services & Special Education as an adjunct to the regular stated duties.
- 20. Perform those duties and responsibilities including supervisory and advisory as may be prescribed by the Assistant Superintendent, Special Education Chief, Pupil Services & Special Education.
- 21. Act as administrative head of the special education department in the absence of the Assistant Superintendent, Special Education Chief, Pupil Services & Special Education when so assigned.

## Knowledge and Skills

- 1. Knowledge of principles of organization and management.
- 2. Ability to exhibit the qualities of leadership essential to the successful administration of a comprehensive program of special education as well as a program of general student services.
- 3. Knowledge of laws, rules, and regulations governing special education.

- 4. Knowledge of basic elements involved in the teaching of special education students.
- 5. Knowledge of budget development, maintenance, and evaluation; knowledge of funding systems and resources, including grant writing.
- 6. Knowledge of effective employee supervision and evaluation procedures and techniques.
- 7. Ability to speak and write effectively.
- 8. Ability to work effectively with all segments of the educational community and general public.
- 9. Ability to analyze problems, make decisions or recommendations, and be responsible for those decisions.
- 10. Ability to rapidly assimilate the facts, conditions, and implications of problems suddenly thrust upon the office and to organize an effective administrative response to them.
- 11. Ability to design and implement procedures.
- 12. Knowledge of school district operations and procedures.
- 13. Skill in translating Board and district policy to various employees, individuals, and groups.
- 14. Ability to plan, organize, coordinate and direct a variety of complex operations of a large school district.
- 15. Ability to supervise and direct a large staff or department.
- 16. Ability to manage time and priorities effectively.

### Education, Training, and Experience

- 1. Post graduate work in special education, pupil personnel services, school administration, or a related field.
- 2. Successful administrative experience in special education.
- 3. Progressively responsible experience in providing administrative leadership in either special education or pupil personnel services.
- 4. Possession of an appropriate school administrative credential.
- 5. Experience in directing/supervising the work of others.
- 6. Experience in working with a variety of agencies and other community resources involved with students and families.

Management Salary Schedule Range 32

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