

School District 5 (Southeast Kootenay)

POSITION:

STUDENT SERVICES COORDINATOR

SCOPE AND PURPOSE:

The purpose of this position is to provide leadership and services to school-based teams, classroom teachers, education assistants and other support staff, and parents. This is a district staff position reporting directly to the District Principal of Student Services.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Supporting an inclusive model of service delivery, stressing the importance of the role of the regular classroom teacher in the support of student learning.
- 2. Assisting School Based Teams with planning and programming for all students.
- 3. Assisting with the development and implementation of Individual Education Plans as ongoing effective communication tools.
- 4. Supporting schools with establishing School Based Teams responsible for coordinating and planning integrated service delivery for individual students.
- 5. Selecting and securing appropriate materials and equipment for students with special needs.
- 6. Assisting classroom teachers with adaptations and modifications to meet the diverse needs of all students in an inclusive environment.
- 7. Providing student-specific in-service and professional development at the school level.
- 8. Providing professional development for all staff and administration on issues relating to special education and programming to meet the individual needs of students within the regular classroom.
- 9. Modeling appropriate strategies and techniques for staff to use to assist students with special needs in the regular classroom.
- 10. Acting as a liaison between District Special Education Staff, School-Based Teams, and outside agencies involved in providing services to students.
- 11. Acting as a liaison with District Partners (Special Education Technology BC, Provincial Outreach Program for Autism, Provincial Outreach Program for Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorders, Provincial Integration Support Program, and others as required).

- 12. Supporting roles and responsibilities of teachers, education assistants, student services staff, parents, and principals as specified in the Ministry of Education, Special Education Policies, Procedures and Guidelines Manual.
- 13. Furthering communication among classroom teachers, special education teachers, principals, and other support personnel.
- 14. Reviewing the integration process including teacher's and education assistants' roles and working environment.
- 15. Providing support with student transition (into kindergarten, between classes and schools, and into the community or post-secondary institutions).
- 16. Working with the District School Psychologist and District Principal of Student Services to establish effective assessment practices and determine priorities.
- 17. Assisting schools and the District with Ministry data collection (1701 special education data).
- 18. Providing support and assistance to District Itinerant Staff, including Elementary Counselors, Speech and Language Pathologists, and specialized teachers.
- 19. Working to enhance and support planned parental involvement.
- 20. Coordinate the District Recreational Programs for children with special needs.
- 21. Being responsible for other job related duties as might be assigned by the District Principal of Student Services.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. Masters Degree, and significant course work and experience in Special Education.
- 2. Successful teaching experience with children with special needs.
- 3. Eligible for membership in the C.F.T.A. and the B. C. College of Teachers.
- 4. Familiar with assessment program materials and writing Individualized Education Programs.
- 5. Strong leadership and interpersonal skills.
- 6. Able to provide program support for teachers and direction for education assistants.