Job Summary:

Under the supervision of the Administrator of the program and/or designee, the Teacher on Special Assignment (TOSA) will serve as a mentor and resource, working hand-in-hand with teachers to provide comprehensive support, coaching and training in all instructional areas. This position will focus on strengthening instructional strategies, elevating student engagement, and refining assessment techniques to effectively meet the diverse learning needs of the students in the program. The TOSA's mission is to empower educators by offering guidance and professional development that enhances their ability to create inclusive and impactful learning environments for students with unique learning profiles.

Essential Duties:

- Develop positive and supportive relationships with staff, administration, students, and families;
- Support teachers in all areas of instructional strategies, student engagement, assessment and curriculum;
- Provide research, tools, and resources to support teachers;
- Create, plan, and facilitate regularly scheduled coaching meetings for educators;
- Conduct workshops, training sessions, and in-service programs to equip teachers and support staff with effective strategies for diverse learning needs;
- Provide ongoing support and mentorship to educators, sharing best practices and innovative teaching methodologies in special education;
- Provide consultation and guidance to educators on adapting and modifying curriculum and providing accommodations for individual student cases;
- Develop and model strategies to enhance student engagement, differentiation, and active participation in the learning process;
- Collect, analyze, and plan professional development opportunities based on formative assessment;
- Teach or team-teach model lessons to build capacity and enhance skills for all educators;
- Maintain and monitor an information system that supports department goals;
- Participate in professional learning opportunities to enhance skill set;
- Collaborate with Special Services department to develop, review, and refine curriculum materials, ensuring alignment with individualized education plans and state standards;
- Adhere to federal, state, and local rules and regulations that govern special education;
- May provide coverage for teachers as necessary;
- Perform other related duties as assigned;

Responsibilities include: following standardized practices and or methods; leading, guiding, and/or coordinating others; assisting school leadership with conducting professional development to support building the capacity of teachers and support staff. Utilization of resources from other work units may be required to perform the job's functions. The usual and customary methods of performing the job's functions require the following physical demands: occasional lifting, carrying, pushing, and/or pulling; and significant fine finger dexterity. Generally, the job requires 40% sitting, 20% walking and 40% standing. The job is performed under minimal temperature variations.

Skills to:

- provide effective coaching/mentoring and guidance to educators.
- build rapport and develop trusting relationships with all stakeholders.
- provide direction to teachers, support staff, students and families.
- analyze data, develop, coordinate, and deliver appropriate professional development based on needs.
- set short- and long-term goals for professional development.
- collaborate and communicate effectively both orally and in written form.
- proficiently teach methodologies tailored to diverse learning needs.

Knowledge of:

- effective strategies for teaching adult learners.
- cognitive coaching methods.
- best practices for student engagement.
- assessment tools and strategies to evaluate student progress.
- computers and applicable educational programs and applications.
- adopted curriculum and research-based strategies to improve student outcomes.
- federal, state, and local special education rules and regulations.
- special education student information systems.

Ability to:

- work cooperatively and collaboratively with administration, teachers, and support staff.
- gather, analyze, and interpret data to formulate a professional development plan.
- communicate the results of program evaluation and offer recommendations to administration.
- lead professional development sessions, workshops, and training programs effectively to inspire and empower educators.
- be flexible and adapt to the needs of the educators and/or program.

Experience Required:

• Minimum of five (5) years of successful teaching experience required.

Education Required:

- Bachelor's degree.
- Valid California Clear Teaching Credential.

Other Requirements:

- Valid California driver's license and proof of automobile insurance.
- EL authorization.
- Department of Justice and FBI Fingerprint Response upon hire.

FLSA Status: Exempt

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