

ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY

Director of the Office of Exceptional Children Education

NOTICE DATE: October 18, 2022

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION:

- 1. Master's Degree or higher in Education Administration.
- 2. 5 years of successful experience in Education Administration.
- 3. A valid Mississippi license with a 486 endorsement
- 4. Knowledge of sound special education instructional practices.
- 5. Experience in fiscal and budget management.
- 6. Effective communication skills.
- 7. Knowledge of exceptional education laws and support services.
- 8. Ability to work with administrators and teachers in improving instruction.

SUPERVISES: Professional and clerical staff of the Office of Exceptional Children Education

TYPICAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Such duties and responsibilities as may be assigned, including but not limited to:

- 1. Conducts needs assessments and compiles other data on program needs for planning purposes.
- 2. Organizes and schedules staff and corresponding committees to address specific planning activities.
- 3. Involves the public, teachers, classified staff, students, school and district administrators as appropriate in planning activities.
- 4. Prepares and disseminates written plans.
- 5. Continuously updates program plans.
- 6. Organizes the special education program to serve identified students.
- 7. Initiates problem-solving techniques to address specific program problems and needs.
- 8. Prepares and administers budgets for the Office of Exceptional Children Education.
- 9. Serves as the school's liaison for special education students entering or exiting high school to outside district day or residential programs.
- 10. Approves all outside placements for the school district.
- 11. Ensure that student records are maintained and secured to ensure accurate information, reporting capabilities, and confidentiality in accordance with applicable laws.
- 12. Approves records on all students engaged in home instruction programs.
- 13. Oversees the assignment of students into special education sections.
- 14. Recommends components of behavioral management plans to administrative and teaching staff consistent with the needs of special needs students.
- 15. Coordinates the crisis intervention team and participates as a member, as needed.

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- 16. Coordinates special education services with other pupil services.
- 17. Promotes a school environment conducive to individualized instruction, cooperative curriculum development, and student learning.
- 18. Meets with students, parents, and related school personnel regarding student needs.
- 19. Oversees special education and other pupil services budget requests and administration; apply for grants to assist the school district in obtaining funds for special services needs.
- 20. Assists in school and system-wide curriculum development and staff development in areas of responsibility.
- 21. Serves as liaison with state officials and agencies regarding legislation, programming and other matters covering areas of responsibility.
- 22. Supervises and monitors the health services programs related to special education.
- 23. Assist with special service transportation issues.
- 24. Reviews and approves requisitions for special education curriculum materials, supplies and equipment.
- 25. Keeps abreast of developments in the fields of special education, student assessment and school health programs.
- 26. Keeps other school district staff informed of changes in laws or regulations in areas of responsibility.
- 27. Manages and supervises all employees in responsibility areas, including the recruitment, selection, training, professional development and evaluation of staff under areas of responsibility; makes recommendations regarding goals, provides constructive feedback and takes corrective action if necessary.
- 28. Coordinates and attends meetings with district staff and parents, serves on committees, and conducts professional development as needed to fulfill responsibilities.
- 29. Participates in professional development activities to enhance professional knowledge.
- 30. A 40-hour work week is required, but daily hours may vary according to requirements and job responsibilities.
- 31. Demonstrates prompt and regular attendance.
- 32. Supports the Meridian Public School District Mission, Vision, and Strategic Plan.
- 33. Performs other duties as assigned.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT: Salary based on administrative pay scale reporting 235 days per year.

SALARY RANGE: \$82,535 - \$117,423

EVALUATION: Annually

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