MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

JOB DESCRIPTION

CLASS TITLE: Interpreter for the Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing RID
4284

DEPARTMENT: Schools
PAY GRADE: 23 (U1)
DATE: 02/20/01

NATURE OF WORK

Provides interpreting and other support services to hearing impaired students mainstreamed in the schools. Facilitates communication among hearing impaired students and their hearing peers, the classroom teacher, and other personnel in the school system. The interpreter with the RID certificate has demonstrated the highest comprehensive level of interpreting skill in sign language. These interpreters have skills that enable them to accept any assignment with competence.

JOB TASKS/ASSIGNMENTS

1. Functions as a member of the Educational Support Team by providing expressive and voice interpreting (may include American Sign Language, a form of manually coded English, and/or oral interpreting) for hearing impaired students in mainstream classes.

2. Provides tutoring and/or notetaking services for hearing impaired students when necessary.

3. Participates in educational team meetings, including the development and review of progress on the Individual Education Plan (IEP) and provides insight on the success of communication strategies.

4. Provides interpreting for extracurricular activities and parent meetings when necessary without interrupting time with the student, and only during regularly scheduled school hours.

5. Meets with classroom teacher on a regular basis in regards to communication needs of the students and establishes appropriate physical setting in conjunction with the classroom teacher to optimize communication interaction.

6. Participates in professional improvement activities.

7. Serves as a liaison to promote good public relations between the hearing impaired, hearing peers, staff and faculty members.
PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

This work requires the following physical activities: climbing, bending, stooping, kneeling, twisting, reaching, sitting, standing, walking, lifting, finger dexterity, talking, hearing and visual acuity.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Graduation from high school or an equivalent recognized certificate.

2. Completion of an interpreter preparation program or equivalent experience required.

3. Ability to provide oral interpreting/transliterating (expressive and voice) at the Registry of Interpreters (RID) Level.

4. Ability to interpret/transliterate (expressive and voice) at a normal conversational rate, American Sign Language, Pidgin Sign Language and Signing Exact English.

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