MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

JOB DESCRIPTION

CLASS TITLE: Lifeguard JOB CODE: 4297

DEPARTMENT: MAST AcademyPAY GRADE: 21 (U1) DATE: 02/20/01

BASIC OBJECTIVES

This is skilled water safety work in preventing accidents and injuries at a public school swimming pool. Employees in this position are responsible for safeguarding students and visitors using the swimming pool by preventing injury or loss of life through drowning and for administering first aid or artificial respiration. Work is performed in accordance with Mast Academy rules and regulations governing the use of the swimming pool and adjacent area, and by recognized practices of water safety. Supervision is received from the Marine Operations Specialist who makes assignments and reviews work for orderliness and rule enforcement by visual inspection.

JOB TASKS/RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Maintains order and discipline among students using the pool facility; observes and enforces all waterside rules and regulations and minimizes or eliminates hazardous conditions/situations.
- 2. Responds quickly to all emergency situations; stabilizes victim and administers emergency first aid.
- 3. Maintains and surveys all poolside and water front safety equipment; requests replacement safety equipment as needed.
- Operates a chase boat to patrol the swimming/bay area where physical education classes and athletic events take place to enforce rules and regulations and to rescue students in distress.
- 5. Attends inservice training programs related to water safety, first aid and other marine operation activities.
- 6. May be responsible for completing water chemical reports, incident reports, or safety equipment reports in a timely manner.

- 7. Maintains general appearance and cleanliness of beach area and pool when able to do so without distraction from lifeguarding.
- 8. Performs related duties as assigned by the principal or designee.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

This is heavy work which requires the following physical activities: climbing, bending, stooping, kneeling, crouching, twisting, reaching, sitting, standing, walking, pushing, pulling, lifting, finger dexterity, grasping, feeling, repetitive motions, talking, hearing and visual acuity. The work is performed primarily indoors.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. High school graduate, minimum of 18 years of age.
- 2. Possession of a valid Red Cross or YMCA Lifeguard Certificate.
- 3. Possession of a valid Red Cross or Community First Aid Certificate.
- 4. Possession of a valid Red Cross or American Heart Association CPR Certificate.
- 5. Successful completion of the MAST Academy's lifeguard testing, both written and practical.
- 6. Possession or willingness to obtain within one (1) year from date of hire, a valid Red Cross Water Safety Instructor Certificate.

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