

AUDIOLOGIST

Code No: 4-08-182
COMPETITIVE

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is a specialized professional position involving responsibility for the diagnostic evaluation of, and provision of non-medical rehabilitative services for, auditory problems of students. Employees of this class determine range, nature and degree of hearing function related to students' auditory efficiency, using such instrumentation as pure tone and speech audiometers, and participate in conservation and rehabilitative programs including hearing aid orientation and auditory training. The employee reports directly to and works under the general supervision of a senior level administrative staff member. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (All need not be performed in a given position. Other related activities may be performed although not listed.)

Identifies and evaluates hearing disorders of students using various diagnostic procedures and electroacoustic instrumentation;

Monitors auditory efficiency of students with known hearing loss;

Provides pre- and post-otologic assessment of students;

Coordinates audiometric results with other diagnostic data such as educational, medical, social and behavioral information;

Provides hearing aid orientation; assesses effectiveness of amplification;

Conducts workshops and inservice programs on auditory conservation and rehabilitative techniques and services;

Maintains case records of students.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Good knowledge of nature of hearing disorders; good knowledge of methods and techniques of assessment, evaluation and analysis of the auditory process; good knowledge of operation of electroacoustic instrumentation such as pure-tone and speech audiometers; skill in communicating with children; ability to accurately assess hearing disorders;

ability to maintain accurate, complete records; ability to conduct workshops and inservice workshops related to auditory conservation and rehabilitative techniques and programs; ability to provide hearing aid orientation; ability to establish and maintain effective professional relationships with students, teachers and other professionals; sensitivity; patience; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Possession of license and registration by the New York State Education Department as an Audiologist.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Depending on the position duties, candidates for employment with the Monroe County Government will be required to pass a pre-employment drug test.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND BOCES:

Per Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000, and by Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, to be employed in a position designated by a school district or BOCES as involving direct contact with students, a clearance for employment from the State Education Department is required.

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