CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

JOB TITLE: Director/ Curriculum and Instruction and Special Education

DESCRIPTION OF BASIC RESPONSIBILITIES

To plan, organize, and direct the District's instructional/curriculum and special education activities; to review, monitor, and direct the development and implementation of categorical programs; and to review, monitor, and direct staff development activities.

SUPERVISOR: Superintendent

TYPICAL DUTIES

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION SERVICES:

- 1. Evaluate existing curriculum; recommend initiation or modification of instructional programs; and develop long range plans for curriculum enhancement.
- 2. Establish procedures and design programs specifically for curriculum development and related instructional support services.
- 3. Provide positive leadership in creating opportunities to promote academic improvement of students.
- 4. Implement curriculum and instructional activities consistent with the assessment of required federal, state, and District programs.
- 5. Implement curriculum and instructional activities consistent with Student testing, textbooks, and instructional materials.
- Develop and prepare annual budget for Curriculum and Instruction Department, analyze and review budgetary and financial data, monitor and authorize expenditures in accordance with established guidelines.
- 7. Supervise and evaluate the performance of assigned staff.
- 8. Conduct and attend meetings, resolve ad-hoc problems, provide directives and guidance for staff and the public.

- 9. Direct preparation and maintenance of a variety of narrative and statistical reports, records and files.
- 10. Serve as a member of the Superintendent's Cabinet and as a representative of the Superintendent as necessary.
- 11. Attend Board meetings and advise as to requirements and responsibilities of the District.
- 12. Perform other duties as assigned by the Superintendent as well as other duties related to the above as required.

STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS:

- 1. Develop and implement all categorical funded programs.
- 2. Prepare applications, reports, and documents for submission to local, state and federal agencies.
- 3. Prepare categorical budgets and work with Business Office in maintaining financial records and monitoring program budgets.
- 4. Conduct District meetings to ensure that categorical activities are coordinated with sites as needed.
- 5. Attend state and county level meetings to obtain information and disseminate to staff as needed.
- 6. Serve as a resource to District's school site councils and advisory committees.
- 7. Facilitate implementation of Program Reviews and Compliance Reviews.

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

- 1. Monitor laws and regulations pertaining to special education and develop written policies and procedures to follow legal requirements.
- 2. Supervise the identification, evaluation and placement of students referred for special education.
- 3. Organize and direct District special education programs.
- 4. Supervise designated instructional services for special education programs.

- 5. Supervise the evaluation of student progress through coordinating academic, health, language and psychological testing.
- 6. Supervise implementation of all Individual Education Plans (IEPs).
- 7. Supervise and evaluate special education staff in conjunction with site principals.
- 8. Oversee training of staff as related to special education.
- 9. Conduct due process hearings.
- 10. Represent District in special education programs with public and private organizations and agencies including County Office of education and local SELPA.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT:

- 1. Supervise the planning, organization, coordination and/or conduct training and inservice programs for District certificated and/or classified staff.
- 2. Conduct annual staff development needs assessment; direct necessary follow-up activities.
- 3. Supervise, develop and prepare new teacher assistance programs.
- 4. Implement quality, long range, and comprehensive staff development programs to support the curriculum and instructional strategies.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- 1. Prepare and disseminate District news to the Board of Trustees, staff, parents and the *Antelope Neighborhood News*.
- 2. Analyze student achievement data and provide reports to sites.
- 3. Performs other related duties similar to the above as required.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS

Knowledge of:

- Current curriculum and instructional practices;
- School site management and practices, supervision, development, and training;
- Educational programs, curriculum and instruction and learning of students K-I 2; Trends affecting curriculum areas and instructional practices;
- Budget preparation and control;
- Oral and written communication skills;
- Principles and practices of management;
- Applicable laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures.
- District organization, operations, policies and objectives;
- Modern office management and procedures.

Ability to:

- Plan, organize, control and direct the functions of assigned responsibilities;
- Coordinate and work with professional staff, parents, and community groups;
- Assess District effectiveness in instructional programs;
- Coordinate the assessment of the instructional needs of District students;
- Develop, interpret and monitor division and program budgets and evaluate and compare costs associated with the delivery of instruction;
- Interpret, apply and explain rules, regulations, policies and procedures;
- Implement management strategies based on evaluation data;
- Exercise judgement and discretion in interpreting and applying policies and procedures;
- Coordinate the completion of a number of tasks simultaneously in order to meet internal and external deadlines;
- Analyze situations accurately and adopt an effective course of action;
- Meet schedules and time lines;
- Work independently with little direction;
- Plan and organize work;

- Prepare comprehensive narrative and statistical reports;
- Supervise and evaluate the performance of assigned staff;
- Operate and use District business systems and equipment;
- Meet and maintain physical requirements necessary to perform assigned job duties in a safe and effective manner;
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with the staff and the public;
- Communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

SPECIAL LICENSES, CERTIFICATES AND CLEARANCES

- Valid and appropriate California Teaching Credential;
- Valid and appropriate California School Administrative Credential;
- Valid California state drivers license;
- Drug test clearance;
- TB test clearance;
- Criminal Justice fingerprint process clearance.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Any combination of education and experience which would likely provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required knowledge and abilities would be:

Education

Possession of a Master's degree from an accredited college or university in education, public administration, or a related field.

Experience

At least five (5) years teaching experience PLUS at least three (3) years of increasingly responsible educational management experience.

TYPICAL PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- Sufficient vision to monitor a variety of activities and read various documents;
- Sufficient hearing for normal telephone conversations;
- Sufficient dexterity to write, operate telephone and business machines;
- Ability to speak in an understandable voice with sufficient volume to be heard in normal conversational distance, on the telephone and in addressing groups;
- Sitting or standing for extended periods of time;
- Physical, mental and emotional stamina to endure long hours under sometimes stressful conditions.