

Ohio Valley Educational Service Center

TITLE: Intervention Specialist

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. Valid Teaching license for the State of Ohio in Intervention Specialist (K-12), Mild/Moderate or Moderate/Intensive.
- 2. Minimum of Bachelor's Degree
- 3. Such alternative to the above qualifications as the OVESC Board find appropriate and acceptable.

RESPONSIBLE TO: Superintendent, or Designee

FUNCTION: To plan, develop and execute individual learning programs and experiences that will contribute to student's development as mature, able, and responsible adults.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Understand student learning and development and respect the diversity of the students they teach.
 - a. Display knowledge of how students learn and of the developmental characteristics of age groups.
 - b. Understand what students know and are able to do and use this knowledge to meet the needs of all students.
 - c. Expect that all students will achieve to their full potential.
 - d. Model respect for students' diverse cultures, language skills and experiences.
 - e. Recognize characteristics of gifted students, students with disabilities and at-risk students in order to assist in appropriate identification, instruction and intervention.
- 2. Know and understand the content area for which they have instructional responsibility.
 - a. Know the content they teach and use their knowledge of content-specific concepts, assumptions and skills to plan instruction.
 - b. Understand and use content-specific instructional strategies to effectively teach the central concepts and skills of the discipline.
 - c. Understand school and district curriculum priorities and the Ohio academic content standards.
 - d. Understand the relationship of knowledge within the discipline to other content areas.
 - e. Connect content to relevant life experiences and career opportunities.
 - f. Employ methods and materials that are most appropriate for meeting the needs of students with disabilities.
 - g. Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of Ohio's Academic Standards and as necessary the Ohio Learning Standards Extended.



- 3. Understand and use varied assessments to inform instruction, evaluate and ensure student learning.
 - a. Knowledgeable about assessment types, their purposes and the data they generate.
 - b. Select, develop and use a variety of diagnostic, formative and summative assessments.
 - c. Analyze data to monitor student progress and learning and to plan, differentiate and modify instruction.
 - d. Collaborate and communicate student progress with students, parents and colleagues.
 - e. Involve learners in self-assessment and goal setting to address gaps between performance and potential.
- 4. Plan and deliver effective instruction that advances the learning of each individual student.
 - a. Align instructional goals and activities with school and district priorities and Ohio's Academic Content Standards.
 - b. Use information about students' learning and performance to plan and deliver instruction that will close the achievement gap.
 - c. Communicate clear learning goals and explicitly link learning activities to those defined goals.
 - d. Apply knowledge of how students think and learn to instructional design and delivery.
 - e. Differentiate instruction to support the learning needs of all students, including students identified as gifted, students with disabilities and at-risk students.
 - f. Create and select activities that are designed to help students develop as independent learners and complex problem-solvers.
 - g. Use resources effectively, including technology, to enhance student learning.
 - h. Develop and implement compliant ETR's and IEP's.
 - i. Meet regularly, as specified in the IEP, with students assigned for the purpose of carrying out the IEP and updating developmental evaluations as necessary.
- 5. Create learning environments that promote high levels of learning and achievement for all students.
 - a. Treat all students fairly and establish an environment that is respectful, supportive and caring.
 - b. Create an environment that is physically and emotionally safe.
 - c. Teachers motivate students to work productively and assume responsibility for their own learning.
 - d. Create learning situations in which students work independently, collaboratively and/or as a whole class.
 - e. Maintain an environment that is conducive to learning for all students.
- 6. Collaborate and communicate with students, parents, other educators, administrators and the community to support student learning.
 - a. Communicate clearly and effectively.



- b. Share responsibility with parents and caregivers to support student learning, emotional and physical development and mental health.
- c. Collaborate effectively with other teachers, administrators and school and district staff.
- d. Collaborate effectively with the local community and community agencies, when and where appropriate, to promote a positive environment for student learning.
- e. Follow through on recommendations from the SLP, OT, and PT as needed to assist with carrying out student IEP services.
- f. Make referral recommendations to the appropriate specialist (i.e. OT, PT, School Nurse, and SLP) as needed.
- g. Maintain close communication with the child's parents
- 7. Assume responsibility for professional growth, performance and involvement as an individual and as a member of a learning community.
 - a. Understand, uphold and follow professional ethics, policies and legal codes of professional conduct.
 - b. Take responsibility for engaging in continuous, purposeful professional development.
 - c. Agent of change seeking opportunities to positively impact teaching quality, school improvements and student achievement.
 - d. Complete required paperwork in an accurate and timely manner.
 - e. Complete tasks demonstrating compliance with Ohio Department of Education and the Office of Exceptional Children.
 - f. Strive to maintain and improve professional competence by continuing educational professional development.
 - g. Attend staff meetings and serve on staff committees as required.

OTHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Attend training sessions as determined by state or district policies and procedures
- 2. Attend professional development meetings and in-services as required
- 3. At the request of the supervisor, attend parent conferences, home visits, or team meetings with school staff,
- 4. Such other duties as assigned by the OVESC Superintendent.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- 1. Ability to work effectively with others
- 2. Ability to communicate ideas and directives clearly and effectively both orally and in writing
- 3. Effective, active listening skills
- 4. Organizational and problem solving skills
- 5. Knowledge of public school policies and practices
- 6. Basic computer skills
- 7. Ability to operate various office equipment
- 8. Ability to learn to operate adaptive equipment
- 9. Commitment to education

ADDITIONAL WORKING CONDITIONS:

- 1. Occasional interaction with unruly children
- 2. Occasional exposure to blood, bodily fluids and tissue



- 3. Occasional requirement to travel
- 4. Occasional repetitive hand motion, e.g., computer keyboard, typing, calculator, writing
- 5. Regular requirement to sit, stand, walk, hear, see, read, speak, reach, stretch with hands and arms, crouch, kneel, climb and stoop
- 6. Requirement to lift, carry, push and pull various supplies and/or equipment up to a maximum of 50 pounds

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT: To be determined by the Ohio Valley ESC Superintendent and the Board.

EVALUATION: Performance will be evaluated with provisions of the OVESC's OTES policy.

My signature below signifies that I have reviewed the contents of my job description and that I am aware of the requirements of my position. I further certify that I have reviewed the most current copy of the Ohio Valley Educational Service Center Policy Manual.

EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE	DATE: