



Irvine Unified School District

INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT - MUSIC

DEFINITION

Under general supervision, to assist in conducting intensified learning experiences for students in choral performance and instrumental music; perform a variety of clerical and supportive tasks for instructional personnel; and perform related work as necessary.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

- Provides set-up and striking of chairs and music stands in instructional space.
- When necessary moves furniture and equipment to provide room for instruction.
- Assists instructional personnel with the tuning of string instruments.
- Assists instructional personnel with the development and presentation of learning materials and instructional exercises.
- Tutors students individually or in small groups to reinforce and follow-up learning activity.
- Oversees and supervises students during classroom activities, in library, on field trips and at lunch and recess.
- Assists in the development of a variety of instructional materials.
- Performs a variety of regular clerical duties, such as filing, typing or duplicating materials.
- Maintains student records, attendance and files.
- Operates a variety of instructional media, office machines and equipment.
- Maintains discipline in the absence of the teacher.

QUALIFICATIONS GUIDE

Knowledge of:

- Basic music appreciation skills required in job assignment.
- Knowledge of basic music notation.
- General concepts of child growth and development and child behavior characteristics.
- Techniques used in controlling and motivating students.
- English usage, punctuation, spelling and grammar.
- Routine record keeping.
- General purposes and goals of public education.
- Specific subject area content an required in job assignment.

Ability to:

- Successfully complete the Irvine Unified School District Proficiency Test with a score of 70% or higher in all three sections (English/Language Arts, Mathematics, and Ability to Assist in Instruction), or have passed the CBEST.
- Assume responsibility for supervising students.
- Learn and utilize basic methods and procedures to be followed in instructional settings.
- Perform routine clerical work and basic arithmetic calculations.
- Demonstrate an understanding, patient, warm and receptive attitude toward children.
- Understand and carry out oral and written instructions.
- Maintain cooperative working relationships with students, staff, parents and the general public.
- Demonstrate counting and rhythm techniques as well as related activities.
- Read music in both treble and bass clefs.

Training and experience:

- In addition to completing at least one music appreciation, instrumental music, or choral course at the high school or college level, competence in vocal or instrumental music that could likely provide desired knowledge and abilities.
- Equivalent to completion of the twelfth grade: some paid or volunteer experience working with children in any educational or child care setting; or any combination of training and experience that could likely provide the desired knowledge and abilities.
- Incumbents are encouraged to participate in courses, seminars and workshops in the area of instructional services, psychology or guidance.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

REASONING ABILITY:

Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where only limited standardization exists. Ability to interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

Lift chairs repetitively that weigh 15 to 20 pounds. Move/push furniture or equipment. The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand, walk, and talk or hear. The employee is occasionally required to sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel objects, tools, or controls; reach with hands and arms; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and taste or smell.

Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee occasionally works in outside weather conditions.

The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

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