# JOB DESCRIPTION

#### POSITION

School Psychologist

### **DEFINITION OF POSITION**

The school psychologist offers direct and indirect services that help students achieve maximum educational benefit from the instructional program in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade.

### EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

- Process student referrals at each school by determining appropriate action, including but not limited to: review of pupil records, observations, interviews, testing, consultation, and referral.
- Conduct individual assessments and diagnose specific learning, behavioral and emotional disabilities.
- Recommend a specific and practical plan of action for each student referred, to include remediation activities and suggestions to modify the regular education program to meet the student's needs.
- Consult with teachers to help them develop and implement classroom methods and procedures designed to facilitate student learning and behavior.
- Consult with parents to assist them in understanding and meeting the needs of their children.
- Consult with site administrator concerning appropriate learning objectives, and developmental and remedial programs for students in regular and special education programs.
- Plan and coordinate with community agencies to provide needed services to students and their families.
- Coordinate with other Pupil Personnel staff in implementing a team approach to helping students.
- Serve as contributing member of the Admission/I.E.P. team in the evaluation, individual educational programming, and placement of students into special education programs.
- Assist in planning and conducting teacher and parent inservice.
- Keep abreast of trends and developments in the profession.
- Perform other duties assigned by administration.

# **DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS**

Knowledge of:	<ul><li>Students with exceptional needs;</li><li>Federal and State legislation affecting the school psychologist;</li></ul>
Ability to:	<ul> <li>A variety of resources and methods to help students, teachers, and parents.</li> <li>Communicate effectively with students, staff, and parents;</li> <li>Work as a team member;</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Develop an I.E.P.;</li><li>Consult others in a constructive and effective manner.</li></ul>

#### EXPERIENCE

Previous experience as a school psychologist.

# CREDENTIALS

Standard Designated Services with Specialization in Pupil Personnel Services; or Ryan Services Credential in P.P.S. with authorization in School Psychology; or General School Services in School Psychology