East Side Union High School District

Job Title: Braille Transcriber

Description of basic functions and responsibilities:

The job of the Braille Transcriber is primarily to transcribe educational materials into alternative format (braille, large print, tape, etc.) for visually impaired students; to oversee the work of other Braille transcription; to provide information and/ or clerical support as needed; and to maintain equipment inventory necessary for teachers and students.

Supervisor: School Site Administrator

Major duties and responsibilities:

Transcribe educational materials, including math instructional materials, into appropriate method (e.g. Braille, large print, etc.) for the purpose of providing educational materials for visually impaired students in the appropriate format.

Operate a variety of office and Braille equipment (e.g. braillewriter, computer, specialized software applications, typewriter, embosser, scanner, recording equipment, copiers, etc.) for the purpose of providing staff and students with appropriate materials.

Obtain documents and instructional material (e.g. text books, classroom assignments, tests, projects, etc.) for the purpose of materials being transcribed into Braille for recirculation.

Picks up and/or delivers instructional materials to schools as needed.

Interline Braille copy as well as generate reverse translation for the purpose of providing a transcription of Braille materials for use by sighted persons.

Assist with maintaining supplies and equipment (e.g. cataloging and maintaining library books, materials, performing annual physical inventory, vendor contact, equipment maintenance scheduling, etc.) for the purpose of ensuring availability of specific materials used for transcribing to assist students and/or teachers in the educational process.

Support assigned staff and administrators (e.g. filing, copying, answering phones, etc.) for the purpose of ensuring the orderly operations of the Visually Impaired Program.

Employees in this job class will repair alternate format materials (e.g. recopy, replace pages, etc.) for the purpose of providing educational materials conducive to learning for visually impaired students.

Respond to a variety of inquiries (e.g., teachers, vendors, students, etc.) for the purpose of providing necessary information as may be required.

Employment Standards:

Knowledge of proper English usage, spelling, punctuation and grammar

Knowledge of office methods and practices

Knowledge of Braille (Literary and Nemeth) Codes and Braille transcribing

Knowledge of Textbook codes, such as advanced math, chemistry, music, foreign languages, etc.

Knowledge of Tactile graphics

Knowledge of pertinent academic areas and learning situations

Ability to proofread and edit

Ability to properly operate Braille and large print transcription

Ability to learn methods and procedures to be followed in assigned instructional situation

Ability to read technical information, and compose a variety of documents

Ability to utilize a variety of job-related equipment

Ability to attend to detail and meet deadlines and schedules

Ability to understand and carry out both oral and written instructions in an independent manner

Ability to schedule activities, meetings, and/or events as required for the program

Ability to gather and/or collate data; work with data utilizing defined and similar processes

Ability to problem-solve with data requiring an independent interpretation of guidelines

Ability to effectively supervise students in a variety of situations

Ability to establish and maintain accurate classroom/center records and files

Ability to communicate effectively and tactfully in both oral and written forms

Ability to type accurately at a rate required for successful job performance

Ability to remain calm and patient in stressful situations

Minimum Qualifications:

High school diploma or equivalency

Knowledge of Braille (Literary and Nemeth) Codes and Braille transcribing

Proper operation of Braille and large print transcription

Possess Library of Congress Certification for Braille transcriber and/or Braille proofreader preferred

OR possess any combination of certifications, education (see below) and/or training sufficient to demonstrate proficiency in Literacy Brailling and transcribing at the high school level.

Must possess and maintain a valid California Driver License

Bilingual preferred

Education:

Two years of related college coursework from an accredited college/university OR One year of related college coursework and two years of experience

Range 15: with minimum qualifications / related course work and experience

Range 16: with Library of Congress Certification

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