

SCHOOL DISTRICT 69 • SKOKIE / MORTON GROVE

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## **Paraprofessional - Special Education**

### **Primary Function**

To provide support to one or more students with disabilities, enabling them to receive greater benefit from the district's instructional program

### **Organizational Relationships**

The Special Education Paraprofessional receives guidance from the classroom teacher, special education teacher, and/or Related Services Professionals and reports to the Building Administration.

### Qualifications

- Hold a valid State of Illinois professional educator license with teaching (preferred), substitute or paraprofessional endorsement.
- Ability to understand and carry out oral and written directions
- Ability to visually supervise students, assess situations for safety concerns
- Ability to exercise sound judgment in making decision regarding the safety and welfare of students
- Ability to perform assigned duties and tasks with a minimum of direction
- Ability to maintain effective public, student and co-worker relationships
- Ability to physically move about the school building and playground
- Ability to lift and position students weighing up to 50 pounds using proper 1-person lift techniques
- Ability to lift and position students weighing more than 50 pounds using proper 2-person lift techniques
- Ability to participate in and apply district-approved behavior management procedures and Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) training, including student physical restraints as needed
- Ability to speak, write, read and understand English

### Performance Responsibilities

- 1. Under the supervision of the teacher, work with student or students to reinforce academic, social-emotional, and functional skills initially introduced by the teacher and/or related services professionals.
- 2. Establish a positive and supportive relationship with the student(s) which encourages independent functioning rather than dependency.
- 3. Help students operate and care for equipment or instructional materials assigned by teacher.
- 4. Provide instructional support as directed by the teacher, including distributing and collecting materials, checking assignments, supervising testing, and guiding independent study, enrichment work, and remedial work.

- 5. Collect student data related to academic and/or behavioral progress as directed.
- 6. Assist with the supervision of student(s), including during in-school transitions, emergency drills, assemblies, play periods, lunchtime/recess, trips to the office, nurse, Library Media Center or field trips.
- 7. Support student(s) with their self-care skills, including dressing, feeding, mealtime, and toileting, as directed
- 8. Provide physical support to students, including positioning, lifting, and physical redirection, as indicated in the I.E.P. and/or directed by certified staff members.
- 9. Support established classroom and behavior management procedures, including nonviolent crisis intervention procedures.
- 10. Alert the teacher to any problem or special information about the assigned student(s).
- 11. Maintain a high level of ethical behavior and confidentiality of information about students.
- 12. Participate in in-service training programs as assigned, including regular CPI training to maintain certification.
- 13. Perform other duties that may be assigned by supervisor.

# **Terms of Employment**

180 work days. Salary and work year established in accordance with the Agreement between the Board of Education of District 69 and the PSRP.

#### **Evaluation**

Performance of this job will be evaluated in accordance with the District 69 PSRP Evaluation Plan and in accordance with the provisions of the PSRP Contract.