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Job Title: Special Education District Coach FLSA: Exempt

Reports to: Program Manager of Special Education Pay Grade: Teacher Scale

Instructional Improvement

**Dept./School:** Assigned Campus Calendar Days: 192

**Contract:** Probationary/Term **Revised:** 5.24.22

## **Primary Purpose**

The primary purpose of Special Education District Coach is to ensure that teachers are implementing teaching strategies that accelerate student learning for students receiving special education services while using district curriculum with skillful fidelity. Special Education Instructional Specialists will work collaboratively with teachers by modeling the implementation of specially designed instruction, providing guidance on key content and instructional strategies, and facilitating

### Qualifications

collaborative planning.

### **Education/Certification:**

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- Valid Texas Teaching Certification or out of state equivalent certification and the ability to obtain Texas Certification required
- Special education certification and 3 years teaching experience in a special education classroom. Attendance at required district training sessions

## **Experience:**

Minimum three (3) years successful teaching experience with evidence of student growth

## Special Knowledge/Skills:

Evidenced strength in key competencies from Aldine's Leadership Definition

### Connect

- Cultivates relationships through trust, respect, empathy, and social/cultural awareness
- Builds and maintains strong relationships with students, families, colleagues and campus leaders
- Relates to people of varying ethnic, cultural, and religious backgrounds
- Helps team members to build strong relationships with each other, resulting in stronger team morale and sense of belonging
- Cultivates trust and compels others to follow by consistently leading with authenticity and integrity

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## Inspire

- Supports growth in others through feedback, coaching, and equitable access to leadership opportunities
- · Gives candid feedback to individuals and teams
- Reflects on own coaching and feedback practices to both ascertain efficacy and evaluate equity
- Recognizes and adapts to differences, fitting feedback to the individual being coached
- Provides consistent, developmentally-focused feedback to staff in order to enhance their instructional capacity
- Provides regular opportunities and structures that support teachers in leading work on instructional improvement, and establishes a system for supporting and coaching them

## **Impact**

- Makes student-driven decisions supported by relevant data
- Effectively reaches logical conclusions and makes high-quality decisions based on available information
- Gives priority and caution to significant issues
- Assists staff in understanding the importance of student assessment
- Collaborates with staff on the process of data interpretation
- Ensures that available data is disaggregated and tailored to promote student success

### Major Responsibilities and Duties

- 1. Set high expectations of achievement that are ambitious and measurable
- 2. Use the Teaching for Learning Protocol (TLP) to plan, execute and evaluate the effectiveness of instruction
- 3. Sets high standards for students' behavior, engagement, and achievement that are ambitious and measurable
- 4. Work collaboratively with the campus administration team, district curriculum program directors and special education instructional improvement program manager to develop goals and objectives for the purpose of enhancing the campus instructional programs
- 5. Coach and support special education and general education teachers on the implementation of specially designed instruction and the Aldine Instructional Model into daily classroom instructional practice including: orientation, planning, guided practice, collaborative practice, independent practice and reflection and evaluation
- 6. Coach and support special education and general education teachers in the implementation of specially designed instruction and high yield, evidence-based instructional strategies

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including: cooperative learning, setting objectives and providing feedback, cues, questions, and advanced organizers and incorporate new strategies each year as outlined by Aldine's Instructional Framework

- 7. Establish a culture of respect, enthusiasm, and rapport
- 8. Invest students in their learning using a variety of influence techniques
- 9. Maintain fidelity to Aldine curricular materials
- 10. Lead teams of teachers to plan backwards to align all lessons, activities and assessments and incorporate curriculum standards (TEKS, ELPS, CCMR, etc.) and specially designed instruction into daily plans and instruction
- 11. Support the instructional development of all teachers in understanding the curriculum, varied assessments, specially designed instruction and data analysis
- 12. Build strong relationships with teachers, administrators, and other Specialists
- 13. Provide instructional planning guidance and support through the facilitation of collaborative planning sessions between special education and general education teachers
- 14. Assist teachers and collaborative teams with planning and pacing of lessons, the development of differentiated lessons, and the selection of best practices to meet the needs of students with disabilities
- 15. Assist special education and general education teachers and collaborative teams with resources, materials, tools, information, etc. to support classroom instruction and planning to render specially designed instruction
- 16. Support special education and general education teachers and administrators in using data to improve instruction on all levels
- 17. Observe lessons and provide feedback for special education teacher's professional growth and students' success
- 18. Collaborate, cooperate and present at the campus and district level meetings or other district level training opportunities
- 19. Comply with policies established by federal and state law, State Board of Education rule, and local board policy
- 20. Comply with all district and campus routines and regulations

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21. Perform other duties as assigned by the special education instructional improvement program manager, building principal, and the Superintendent of Schools

### Evaluation

The Special Education District Coach's evaluation is a responsibility resting with the Program Manager of Special Education Instructional Improvement and building principal. An evaluation shall be completed in writing at least once during the course of each school year

### Work Environment

Mental Demands: Work with frequent interruptions, maintain emotional control under stress

**Tools/Equipment Used:** Standard office equipment including personal computer and peripherals

Posture: Frequent sitting and standing; occasional bending/stooping, pushing, pulling, and twisting

Motion: Repetitive hand motions; frequent keyboarding and use of mouse; occasional reaching

Lifting: Occasional light lifting and carrying (less than 15 pounds)

This document describes the general purpose and responsibilities assigned to this job and is not an exhaustive list of all responsibilities and duties that may be assigned or skills that may be required

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