Auburn School District
Job Title: Teacher of the Deaf
Reports To: Building Administrator

**Unit Classification: AEA** 

# Job Description:

The Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) will provide deaf education students with appropriate learning activities and experiences designed to fulfill their potential for intellectual, emotional, physical, and social growth. The teacher will develop or modify curricula and prepare lessons and other instructional materials according to the ability level of the student(s). The teacher will work in self-contained, team, and departmental or itinerant capacity as assigned.

### **Duties and responsibilities:**

- Assist the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) team with student assessment, designing an individualized plan for instruction, and monitoring the progress of each student.
- Assures students are being served using the student's language.
- Serves as a teacher who specializes in DHH, providing instruction per district approved courses of student and curriculum, at a rate and level commensurate with established student expectancies and Individualized Education Plan (IEP) goals and objectives.
- Provides individualized, small group and/or large group instruction as outlined in a student's IEP.
- Provides a positive learning environment that stimulates student learning and maintenance skills.
- Monitors services to DHH students when placed in general education classes.
- Generates, organizes and maintains the appropriate IEP records and other related due process documents for students served, referred or assessed.
- Researches, obtains and provides instructional materials for special education services.
- Provides in-service training to administrators, support staff, teachers and parents regarding the characteristics and education implications of hearing loss.
- Communicates with families to create a partnership around student learning by providing information about the instructional program and the progress of their child(ren); advocates for the special needs of the student with the school community.
- Receives and responds to referrals from staff, parents, and other personnel.
- Comply with all Board Policies, rules and procedures.
- Other duties assigned within the scope of the position.

# Training and knowledge desired:

- Demonstrated knowledge of current research and resources related to DHH.
- Demonstrated understanding of current national, state and local education initiatives.
- Demonstrated interest in and evidence of continued personal and professional growth.
- Demonstrated organizational skills and ability to perform multiple tasks.

#### **Requirements:**

- Washington State Teaching Certificate with endorsement in Deaf/Hard of Hearing.
- Sign language fluency.
- Three or more years of demonstrated successful teaching experience.

# Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Related to Cultural Competence and Equity:

- Ability to recognize and demonstrate awareness of own cultural identity as well as accepting and respecting the cultural identity of others
- Commitment to establishing and supporting an environment that promotes cultural competence and equitable treatment of all staff, students, and families of the district
- Ability to support and promote the Auburn School District's commitment to "Engage. Educate. Empower With Equity and Excellence"