# Columbus Public Schools Job Description

**DEPARTMENT: Special Education - Elementary** 

JOB TITLE: SPED Paraeducator

D.O.T. # FULL TIM 7.0 hrs./day

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Sedentary Light Medium X Heavy Very Heavy

# **REQUIREMENTS:**

A. Education Level: Minimum high school diploma

Must have 2 years of post high school, or district will provide Project Para

training

B. Experience Desired: Experience working with children in a supervisory capacity and/or

experience in working with handicapped children.

C. Other Requirements: Keyboard and computer knowledge helpful.

## REPORTS TO: Teacher/Building Principal/Director of Special Education

#### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:**

- 1. Assist the classroom teacher in preparation of classroom materials which may include:
  - bulletin boards
  - class projects
  - duplication of materials, etc.
- 2. Assist the teacher in the physical management of students which may include:
  - diaper changing/toilet assistance
  - feeding
  - dressing
  - assist in placing students in adaptive equipment (wheelchairs, standing tables/frames, braces)
  - physical transition from place to place or activity to activity
  - after instruction has been given, specific individual treatments of students with special needs such as suctioning of trachea, tube feedings, dispensing of medications, monitoring functioning of hearing aids
- 3. Carry out instruction (under the direction of the teacher) individually or in groups relative to individual goals of children as defined on their IEP's
- 4. Assist the teacher in observing and recording progress of individual children through developmental cycles as well as IEP goals.
- 5. Maintain daily/weekly/monthly records that may be designated by the teacher.
- 6. Assist in the day to day routines and rhythms of the classroom which may include:
  - disciplinary measures as needed
  - movement of children
  - participation in and /or leading activities
  - preparation of snacks
  - assist in maintenance of general room condition and atmosphere
- 7. Participate in activities and opportunities which will enhance the understanding of students with handicapping conditions by:

- attending in-service training
- attending conferences
- 8. Participate actively as opportunity presents itself in:
  - planning of classroom activities and units
  - problem solving relative to routines, rhythms and/or individual student needs
  - meetings relative to building needs, classroom needs and/or individual student needs
- 9. Supervision on job sites
- 10. Upholding building and district policies and procedures.
- 11. Keep confidential matters private.
- 12. Be respectful and courteous at all times.
- 13. Work independently performing tasks as needs and situations arise.

## PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Occasional (1-32%): Standing, walking, bending, stooping, reaching, pushing, climbing, driving, lifting

Frequent (33-66%): Sitting

### **WORKING CONDITIONS:**

- A. Inside X Outside Both
- B. Climatic Environment: Some assignments will be in non-air-conditioned settings

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