

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT 202

Job Description

Position: Orientation and Mobility Specialist

Reports to: Director of Student Services

Qualifications:

B.S. or M.S. in Orientation and Mobility for Vision Impaired, Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation & Education Professionals (ACVREP) certified or certifiable.

Experience

School-based experience with students with vision impairments preferred

Other Skills And Abilities:

- Highly organized
- Excellent communication and collaboration skills
- Excellent problem-solver

Job Summary:

The Orientation and Mobility Specialist evaluates and teaches concepts, skills, and techniques necessary for a student with a vision impairment to travel safely and efficiently through many environments and under many environmental conditions and situations. It is the O & M Specialists' responsibility to assist the student in attaining independent travel skills commensurate with their age and abilities. Services may be provided through direct or consultative contact.

General Duties and Responsibilities:

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential function satisfactorily.

- Evaluate students with vision impairments to determine their orientation and mobility needs in both the school and home community settings.
- Share and interpret evaluation results with teachers and parents.
- Develop IEP goals and participate in IEP meetings for students with vision impairments.
- Develop and implement an O&M program that meets eligible students' needs from pre-cane skills through independent travel training.
- Provide parents and classroom teachers with information about mobility procedures and the student's progress.
- Inform parents of new technology related to mobility available for persons with vision impairments.
- Evaluate students' progress and needs on an on-going basis.
- Provide in-service training to personnel working with students who are vision impaired.

- Work cooperatively with teachers for the vision impaired, general classroom teachers, and administrators in sharing information and developing appropriate programming for students.
- Participate in workshops and trainings to stay current with methods and technology for students with vision impairments.
- Perform other duties and assume responsibilities as assigned by the supervisor.

Physical Requirements:

Perform the physical tasks necessary to monitor, supervise and physically assist students throughout the

school day during a variety of instructional activities

Report to the assigned site on a regular basis

Must be able to function effectively in an active, loud environment

Must be able to adapt to changes in the work environment as circumstances require

Required for Employment:

Completion of new hire documents

Pre-employment physical exam

Pre-employment Tuberculosis test

Illinois State Board of Education certifications registered in Will County, Illinois

Official College/University transcripts with conferred degrees

Required Plainfield School District 202 tutorials

Criminal justice fingerprint /background clearance

Fair Labor Standards Act Status

Exempt

Note: This is not a position within the collective bargaining unit and is not an administrative position.

Employee Signature _____ Date _____