Manistee Intermediate School District

TITLE: Teacher Consultant for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH)

CLASSIFICATION: Professional Staff

REPORTS TO: Director of Special Education

QUALIFICATIONS:

Possess valid Michigan teaching certificate.

- Possess certification as a teacher of the Hearing Impaired as approved by the State Board of Education.
- Possess a master's degree in education or a field of study related to special education.
- Recommendation to the State Board of Education, by employing superintendent, or his or her designee, for approval as a teacher consultant.
- Show evidence of a minimum of three (3) years of satisfactory teaching experience, not less than two (2) years of which shall be in teaching handicapped persons in a special education classroom.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Will act as part of MET team in certifying hearing impairment.
- 2. In order to provide service will need to be written into the current IEP
- 3. Will provide supportive service to general education teachers and program.
- 4. Will inform general education teachers of the presence of HI students in the classroom prior to the first day of school in the fall and explain the nature of the student's loss.
- 5. Will effectively prepare for each session spent with the student per goals.
- 6. Will minimize interruptions by careful organization of needed contacts.
- 7. Will use classroom experiences and materials as basis for accomplishing growth in vocabulary, speech listening skills, language usages, etc.
- Will be familiar with expectations at level of each student and choose appropriate objectives.
- Will constantly evaluate progress of each student by teacher contact and informal feedback from student.
- 10. Will encourage students to be independent, responsible, conscientious, and to participate.
- 11. Will be knowledgeable in content subjects and be able to guide students to resource materials.
- 12. Will monitor condition of hearing aid and/or FM system in conjunction with Educational Audiologist (Munson), as per contract, and utilize loaner teacher assistant when student has improper amplification.

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- 13. Will "trouble shoot" hearing aid problems by using stethoscope, battery tester, and proving good batteries in emergencies.
- 14. Will develop and maintain professional relationships with audiologists and otologist utilizing their input and sharing needs of specific students.
- 15. Will be aware of MMC expiration date if services are to be provided which would be billed to MCCC (audiological and otological)
- 16. Will develop and maintain professional relationship with parents with open communication and by being available whenever needed.
- 17. Perform other duties as assigned by Director.