NEWTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS PLEASE POST FOUR ANTICIPATED OPENINGS

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The Newtown Public School District values the benefits that a diverse workforce brings to our students and community. We are committed to recruiting, supporting, mentoring, coaching, and retaining a highly motivated, dedicated, and enthusiastic staff. We welcome your interest in joining us and look forward to meeting you!

POSITION: Elementary School Assistant Principal with Special Education Oversight

START DATE: August 12, 2025

LOCATIONS: District

SALARY RANGE: \$143,751-\$152,927

The **Assistant Principal (Elementary) with Special Education Oversight** supports the Principal in managing daily school operations in a manner that promotes a positive school culture, and ensures academic success for all students. Additionally, the Assistant Principal oversees the day-to-day operation of the school's Special Education Department and ensures that students with special needs receive appropriate services and accommodations in accordance with state and federal regulations.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master's degree in Special Education or a related field required.
- Minimum of 5 years of experience in special education. Prior experience in an administrative or leadership role is an asset.
- CT Certification in Special Education (065, 165, or equivalent) or School Psychologist (070) and Intermediate Administrator (092) required.
- Comprehensive understanding of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Familiarity with state and local policies regarding special education and inclusive practices.
- Knowledge of instructional strategies that support students with disabilities, including Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and differentiated instruction.
- Familiarity with positive behavior intervention strategies and multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS).
- Understanding of assessment tools, progress monitoring, and data-driven decision-making to evaluate student performance.
- Expertise in the IEP process, including eligibility determination, goal setting, and service implementation.
- Knowledge of behavior management strategies, functional behavior assessments (FBAs), and behavior intervention plans (BIPs).

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assists the Principal in overall school management, including staff supervision and evaluation and development of staff as assigned by the Principal and Director of Pupil Services.
- Implements and monitors school policies, procedures, and regulations to ensure a safe, positive, and inclusive learning environment.
- Collaborates with teachers, staff, and families to promote academic excellence, equity, and student engagement.
- Serves as Acting Principal in the absence of the Principal.

- Facilitates communication between special education staff, general education teachers, and parents to ensure consistent support and collaboration.
- Oversees and coordinates special education services in alignment with state (Connecticut) and federal (IDEA) requirements.
- Works closely with special education teachers, paraeducators, and related service providers to ensure students receive appropriate accommodations and individualized education programs (IEPs).
- Ensures compliance with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations related to special education.
- Facilitates PPT meetings to ensure that students' educational needs are met.
- Monitors special education programs for effectiveness, and makes recommendations for improvement.
- Assists in organizing and conducting professional development workshops for special education staff, general education teachers, and paraeducators on topics such as instructional strategies, legal updates, and behavior management.
- Stays up to date on current best practices, legal changes, and research related to special education and disseminate this information to staff.
- Acts as a liaison between parents, school staff, and service providers to resolve concerns and ensure positive communication.
- Collaborates with general education staff to support the inclusion of students with special needs in the least restrictive environment (LRE).
- Consults with the MTSS Team on student behavior plans and interventions in alignment with schoolwide expectations.
- Fosters strong relationships with parents and guardians through regular communication and involvement in school activities.
- Participates in school events, meetings, and committees, representing the school's leadership team.
- Engages with community partners to enhance educational opportunities and resources for students and families.

APPLICATION: Please apply online through the following link **by April 20, 2025**: www.applitrack.com/newtown/onlineapp/

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