WARREN TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

Speech/Language Therapist

Reports To: Director of Special Services

Qualifications: Appropriate New Jersey Speech Certificate

Supervises: NA

Basic Function: The Speech and Language Correctionist is part of an

interdisciplinary Child Study Team which is responsible for evaluation, determination of special education eligibility, coordination and development of IEPs for handicapped students, as well as delivery of related services and program monitoring/evaluation. (In accordance

with N.J.A.C. 6:28 1.1 et. seq.)

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES – INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO: Identification of Speech and Language Deficits

- A. Screen kindergarten students upon entrance into kindergarten in the areas of speech and language, as deemed necessary.
- B. Screen and evaluate all pre-school children ages 3-5 for possible placement in preschool handicapped program.
- C. Reevaluate annually students who were enrolled in Speech Language Therapy the previous school year.
- D. Make formal assessments of speech and language skills of children at the request of the Child Study Team.
- E. Evaluate any child in the area of speech and language referred by a parent, teacher or other professional in accordance with N.J.A.C. Chapter 6:28.

Remediation

- A. Recommend, plan and carry out an appropriate program of speech and language therapy for all children in the school district in need of such services.
- B Inform parents, teachers and members of the Child Study Team of the children enrolled in Speech and Language Therapy. This will include schedules, goals and objectives and study progress while in the program.
- C. When necessary, contribute to the IEPs developed for those pupils who are classified by the Child Study Team.
- D. Obtain written parental permission for inclusion into program along with signed speech and language individual program.
- E. Hold parent conferences at least once a year to discuss the reason for therapy, goals of therapy, and progress in therapy.

Professional Development

- A. Remain informed of recent trends, research and methods of therapy.
- B. Assist the Director in developing in-service programs, with regard to special education.

Employment will be dependent on successful completion of a criminal background check as mandated by <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:6-7.1. Additionally, and in compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification form upon hire. Permanent teaching staff members are further required to meet the citizenship standards set forth in <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:26-1.

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