

CERTIFICATED

SCHOOL NURSE

Primary Function: To serve in an advisory/supervisory capacity in all matters relating to district health programs

Directly Responsible to: Executive Director of Pupil Services

QUALIFICATIONS

1. Education – A valid, active license issued by the Board of Registered Nursing and either a Health and Developmental Credential or a Standard Designated Services Credential with a specialization in Health (EC 44877). The qualifications shall also include an audiometric certificate, training in Child Abuse and Neglect, a current CPR certificate and a valid California Drivers License.
2. Experience – Evidence of a successful school or related experience in a health services capacity.
 - A. Conduct immunization programs pursuant to EC 49403 and assure that every pupil's immunization status is in compliance with the law, including parental and/or guardian consent, and good health practice.
 - B. Ability to assess and evaluate the health and developmental status of pupils to identify specific physical disorders and other factors relating to the learning process, communicate with the primary care provider and contribute significant information to parents, teachers, administrators and other professionals in order to modify the pupil's educational plans.
 - C. Ability to interpret medical and nursing findings appropriate to students IEP and make recommendations to professionals.
 - D. Knowledge of community resources for students and families with health service needs.
 - E. Proficiency in oral and written communications, including basic proficiency in technology skills (e.g. word processing, spreadsheets, etc.).
 - F. Ability to supervise unlicensed personnel such as health technicians and aides in their related duties.
 - G. Knowledge of Blood Borne Pathogens and the precautions related to exposure and procedures related to treatment and follow-up.
 - H. Knowledge of the law regarding medication authorization and administration (EC 49423) in schools.

APPOINTMENT

The Superintendent shall recommend a qualified candidate to the Board of Trustees for appointment.

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OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

The Superintendent is authorized to develop a job description for the school nurse that will define specific areas of responsibility.

LEGAL REFERENCE

EDUCATION CODE

- 11751 Authority to appoint health services personnel
- 13297 Qualification of school health services personnel

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The duties of the school nurse shall include but not be limited the following:

1. Provides health services including basic first aid to the students of the district.
2. Establishes and supervises procedures for maintaining health records and emergency information for district students.
3. Advises on communicable disease control and on admission and exclusion for infections and contagious disease.
4. Conducts state mandated scoliosis screening, vision screening, and audiometric testing for the district.
5. Serves on placement committees for students with special needs.
6. Assists in development and presentation of health education.
7. Supervises admission procedures based on California School Immunization Laws and Regulations.
8. Supervises Health Technicians.
9. Serves as resource person to all staff regarding health and safety issues.
10. Orients and supervises parent volunteers in the health offices.
11. Acts as liaison between students with medical and physical problems, the attending physician and school personnel.
12. Provides training and supervision in medically related services needed to treat emergency medical situations.
13. Serves as liaison to San Diego County Office of Education Nurses Resource.
14. Performs other duties assigned by the Executive Director of Pupil Services and/or site administrator.