

JOB DESCRIPTION

Salary Grade: 5

10 month position

Job Title:	Division:
Instructional Assistant	Field Operations
Supervisor's Title:	Superintendency:
Principal	Field Operations
Union Status:	Department/Location:
CUPE 1328 - SBESS	Secondary Schools

PRIMARY FUNCTION

The primary function of this job is to assist a department in the provision, maintenance and management of educational services to all students.

MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Assist teachers in an instructional capacity by:
 - responding to basic questions on course/module material, e.g. basic questions on content; definition of words, terminology, etc.
 - reinforcing concepts previously taught by teachers in the department

- maintaining a basic knowledge of subject specific books and other resource materials, as directed by Department Head/Principal, and
- guiding students in the use of appropriate resources.
- 2. Assist teachers in the management of the resources of the department by:
 - ensuring availability of course material
 - photocopying, e.g.: resource materials, tests, etc., as requested by the teachers
 - distributing resources to students to enable them to complete their module work
 - using a computer scanner and bar code system or equivalent to register the sign-out of resources
 - directing students to main library for resources not found in the department
 - setting-up and operating equipment, including trouble shooting if necessary, as per weekly seminar schedule
 - collecting students' home/unit work, date-stamping and forwarding to the appropriate teacher's in-basket
 - maintaining file system of all students' work, and
 - assisting in the scheduling and posting of approved information, seminar schedules, student work etc.
- Assist teachers in the maintenance of the department resource area policy, proper order and discipline, by:
 - monitoring student behaviour through active presence
 - assisting teachers with supervising students, e.g.: exams, tests, out of school trips
 - referring disciplinary matters or inappropriate student behaviour to teacher
 - requiring students to adhere to the code of behaviour and policy established for the school and the department, and
 - ensuring that students who are required to sign-in and out either through their agenda book or for seminars are registered properly.
- 4. Assist in the development and maintenance of department resources, by:
 - developing and maintaining a data bank of all department resource material by: writing/placing the identification code in each text (grade and number of book); selecting the appropriate menu item in the computer to enter data for bar code purposes; entering the appropriate data for each text, e.g. price, no. of days of loan, damage and loss fee, bibliography, etc.

- collect monies from students on behalf of teachers e.g. course fees, special events, trips
- keyboarding any revisions to units/tests/exams as per teacher request, and
- keeping textbooks in repair, e.g. using tape to repair torn pages, etc.
- 5. Perform other related duties as assigned or required.

SKILL

- Secondary School graduation plus additional course work, or equivalent, basic knowledge specific to subject area, ability to use a computer
- · One year prior related experience and 6 months on-the-job experience.

EFFORT

- Effort required relates, in part, to the complexity of the job. Necessary to maintain a level of knowledge of the various modules and basic course content while engaging in various classroom activities, computer work, resource management, etc.
- Physical effort requires that one spend the majority of their time standing up, circulating amongst students, assisting students, working behind the resource counter (shelving/retrieving books, kits, etc.), and remaining time on computer.

RESPONSIBILITY

- Accountable for responding to students' queries (questions on course content)
 requests (sign out/in, request for units etc.). Accountable for responding to
 the requests of the teachers and department head. Accountable for the timely
 and effective completion of daily responsibilities.
- Errors in directing students (e.g. sources, texts, answers to course content, etc.) could inconvenience student and delay progress. Errors in signing students in and out; loaning and receiving books, units, etc. could result in poor and inaccurate records and could result in the loss of school property; errors in performance of duties would result in the involvement of teachers/department head, thereby inconveniencing them.
- · Contacts with teachers and department head to ensure the effective delivery of programs. Human relations skills when dealing with students.

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Open concept working environment work in a resource area with students and teachers noisy at times and full of activity.
- Stress from continuous contact with students and responding to their requests.
 Stress from dealing with the priorities of department and the teachers assigned to the department.

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