

JOB DESCRIPTION

Salary Grade: 5 CUPE 1328

Job Title: Secretary – Curriculum Support Unit

PRIMARY FUNCTION

The primary function of this job is to provide secretarial/administrative services to the Program Coordinator, Program and Special Services staff members, resource teachers.

MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Provides secretarial services to staff members by performing such duties as:
 - utilizing word processing to keyboard such material as reports, correspondence, memos, , agendas etc.
 - utilizing established formats or creating new formats/setups, as necessary (e.g. Special Services calendar, charts, brochures, forms, flyers etc.)
 - composing routine correspondence and/or composing correspondence from rough outlines provided by staff members
 - responding to general telephone enquiries from schools, Board staff, parents, advocates, outside agencies, Ministry, other boards and taking messages for staff and channelling to proper person
 - contacting staff who are on the road (i.e. visiting schools etc.) and conveying urgent messages
 - maintaining daily/weekly/meeting schedules (e.g. IPRC meetings) and appointments, rescheduling to accommodate individuals, booking venues, preparing materials, and advising all concerned

- forwarding material (e.g. Ministry of Education/Board Special Education policy documents) to printing and arranging for mailing/distribution, as necessary
- sorting and distributing mail
- photocopying material as required
- utilizing appropriate computer software to provide secretarial services (e.g. Microsoft Office Suite, SAP, SEMS, File Maker Pro, Microsoft Publisher etc.)
- 2. Coordinates activities for the department by performing duties such as:
 - liaising with principals, staff, parents, and community agencies and performing secretarial/clerical duties to enable the smooth processing/operation of the programs/department (e.g. coordinating IPRC meetings scheduling students and staff; update of assignment lists for staff members; distributing Special Education referrals to appropriate personnel according to the requirements specified by the Program Coordinator; maintaining Special Education class lists/other statistical reports for the Ministry of Education etc.)
 - processing IPRC applications by ensuring that all the required information is provided by the school and/or service provider, compiling, photocopying and distributing the completed applications to the IPRC Committee
 - assisting in the preparation of ISA submissions by answering queries on specific Ministry ISA procedures; obtaining necessary documents for ISA claims (e.g. quotations, assessments); checking the accuracy and creating a file for each claim; recording and preparing statistical listings by school and superintendency
 - distributing Special Education referrals to Assessment and Programming Teachers according to the requirements specified by the Program Coordinator and follow-up outstanding referrals for the Superintendent
 - providing statistical reports (e.g. Special Class lists, ISA claims etc) on a regular basis by utilizing established formats and accessing required information
- 3. Provides administrative support to the department by performing, as required, such duties as:
 - maintaining computer and physical files by updating data
 - maintaining filing (e.g. Confidential ISA files) and follow-up systems as necessary
 - keeping track of budget amounts in the different account numbers, as required
 - preparing cheque requisitions, petty cash vouchers, and purchase order requisitions, as necessary
 - arranging transfers of files and student records

- maintaining and ordering of testing materials, office supplies and teaching materials etc.
- maintaining attendance and vacation records
- 4. Performs other duties as assigned or required.

SKILL

- 2 year college diploma or equivalent.
- 1-2 years related experience.

EFFORT

- Complexity of the job is in effectively co-ordinating the various activities, recognizing variations in process and adjusting to ensure efficient completion. Scheduling and prioritizing multi-tasked demands for various staff members.
- Visual concentration and manual dexterity required when using computer terminal (65% 90%). Physical exertion, when filing or handling supplies.

RESPONSIBILITY

- Decision making in the day to day processing of department programs i.e.
 responding to inquiries by applying rules, guidelines and policies provided;
 maintaining files and records; tracking of referrals for developmental statistical
 reports for the individual disciplines etc. Independence action in determining the
 priorities of work.
- Errors would result from the lack of thoroughness and accuracy in following the outlines activities/procedures when processing/performing information/duties which would affect people in a cascading manner and loss of time/funding. Errors in budget accounts would cause inconvenience
- Contacts within the Board, parents, suppliers, general publics for exchange of information. Exposed to confidential matters.

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Open concept office environment. Noise from the students.
- Stress from meeting multi- task. Stress from constant interruptions.