



Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
Job Announcement
Outreach Educator for the Blind/Visually Impaired
Location: Jordan School District and Surrounding Areas

Job Description

The Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (USDB) invites you to consider a challenging and diverse employment opportunity with our School. We are looking for a visionary and dynamic individual to fill the position of Outreach Educator for the Blind/Visually Impaired working in Jordan School District and surrounding areas.

Principal Duties:

As an Outreach Educator for the Blind/Visually Impaired you will:

- Provide direct, indirect, and collaborative services to blind/visually impaired students.
- Teach subject matter utilizing the course of study adopted by the Board of Education, correlated with other appropriate learning activities.
- Develop lesson plans that incorporate the Utah State Core Curriculum as well as the Expanded Core Curriculum.
- Ascertain strengths and needs of students using a range of assessments, including, Functional Vision/Learning Media, Cortical Visual Impairment, and Expanded Core.
- Utilize effective teaching techniques in translating lesson plans into productive student learning experiences which best utilize the time available for instruction.
- Provide IEP goals and objectives.
- Provide braille instruction.
- Evaluate needs for low vision students as well as students with multiple disabilities.
- Understand and teach technology for the blind according to the students' individual needs.
- Establish and maintain the standard of student behavior needed to achieve a functional learning environment.
- Devise and utilize techniques which accurately measure students' progress.
- Evaluate student academic and personal growth, keeping appropriate records, and prepare progress reports.
- Communicate with parents through conferences and other means, discussing academic and personal progress.
- Interpret school programs.
- Communicate and cooperate with other professional staff in academic and personal growth areas.
- Demonstrate professional ethics.
- Conform to school policies, including student attendance, absences, and evaluations.
- Improve professional competence through participation in staff development activities and other professional growth activities.
- Travel to various school sites is required.

The Ideal Candidate:

The Ideal Candidate will or ability to possess:

- State of Utah Special Education Teaching License.
- Preference will be given to those with a Visual Impairments endorsement (Candidates hired without this endorsement are not considered fully certified and will remain in a provisional status until successfully obtaining it).
- Must be skilled in teaching, reading, writing, and embossing Braille or be willing to learn.
- Willing to participate in a Braille proficiency assessment to gauge braille knowledge and instructional ability. Must receive a passing score.
- Successful completion of a criminal background check.

Compensation:

Salary based on Teacher Salary Schedule commensurate with education and experience. This position is eligible for a full benefits package including medical, dental, life and long-term disability insurance, retirement plan, personal and sick leave, and other valuable benefits.

Application Process:

Those interested in this position may apply by submitting a letter specifically addressing the qualifications listed in this announcement, current resume, transcripts, copy of teaching license, and 3 or more professional references. Please send all application materials to:

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