

#### NORTHWEST REGIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT JOB DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Speech Language Pathologist Department: As Assigned Location: As Assigned Reports To: Coordinator FLSA Status: Exempt Bargaining Unit: Licensed, NWEA Compensation: Licensed Salary Schedule

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### NW REGIONAL ESD'S MISSION STATEMENT

In partnership with the communities we serve, Northwest Regional ESD improves student learning by providing equitable access to high quality services and support.

#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

As a member of an educational team, the SLP's goal is to facilitate a child's/student's communication competence, which is critical for positive educational outcomes. A core role of the SLP is to participate in a variety of teams, which involves team decision making in the area of general education intervention, evaluation, eligibility, and services. SLP's plan and implement on-going speech and language programs/services in conjunction with other educational services provided by the school districts. SLP's work with students who exhibit the full range of communication disorders, including those involving language, articulation (speech sound disorders), fluency, voice/resonance, and swallowing.

# <u>QUALIFICATIONS</u>: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- 1. Requires Oregon Teaching License with Speech Impaired endorsement or State of Oregon Licensing Board's Speech Pathology License.
- 2. Master's degree in Speech/Language Pathology.
- 3. Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC-Speech) or Oregon Licensure in Speech Pathology.
- 4. Experience with children with a variety of disabilities and needs.
- 5. Oregon driver's license with accompanying automobile insurance.
- 6. Personal vehicle for travel throughout the geographic area of assignment.

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**ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:** Include the following. Performs some or all of the following tasks. Other Duties may be assigned. The duties listed below are not inclusive, but characteristic of the type and level of work assigned for this position.

The SLP's caseload primarily includes students with a variety of language/communication disorders and a smaller percentage of students who have moderate/severe articulation disorders, and fluency, voice, and swallowing problems that affect access to education.

- 1. Ensure that all students receive high quality, culturally, and linguistically sensitive competent services. –
- 2. Demonstrate awareness, knowledge, and sensitivity in the area of language acquisition with linguistically and/or culturally diverse populations.
- 3. Provide intervention that is appropriate to the age and learning needs of individual students and is selected through an evidence-based decision-making process in accordance with the IEP/IFSP documentation.
- 4. Design school-wide speech-language services that employ a continuum of service delivery models in the least restrictive environment for students with disabilities and implements a variety of service delivery models, including pull-out, in-class, and consultation.
- 5. Address social, academic, and vocational needs that have an impact on attainment of educational goals.
- 6. Consult and collaborate with teachers and parents to increase access to language in the curriculum in order to support development in the area of literacy across the language processes of listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- 7. Identify appropriate instructional strategies, modifications, and/or accommodations in collaboration with the educational team.
- 8. Identify, implement, and support students with the use of augmentative communication devices.
- 9. Maintain appropriate records and reports (if applicable, including Medicaid billing) -Screen and identify communication disorders in children with special needs.
- 10. Act as a member of the multidisciplinary team during the assessment process and evaluate students/children in the area of articulation, voice, fluency, and language impairments.
- 11. Develop and maintain accurate information regarding IEP / IFSP records in accordance with special education and district guidelines, timeline, and processes in order to meet individual student needs.
- 12. Prepare and complete documentation in a timely manner: speech and language evaluations, progress reports, transition reports, and student data collection system.
- 13. Attend and participate in team, school, and district meetings as necessary
- 14. Access and attend professional development to increase knowledge and provide high quality services.

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- 15. May be involved with mentoring and/or supervision of graduate SLP students, clinical fellows, and/or new SLPs on the team (per licensure guidelines).
- 16. May supervise SLP-Assistants and/or paraprofessionals (per licensure guidelines)
- 17. Conduct hearing screenings, as necessary
- 18. Drive between locations as required.
- 19. Other incidental duties as required.

#### WORKPLACE EXPECTATIONS

- Demonstrate support for NWRESD Mission and Values and Strategic Plan Goals
- Establish and maintain a positive and respectful learning environment and working relationships with students, staff, administration, parents/guardians and community members
- Work effectively with and respond to people from diverse cultural backgrounds
- Participate in various meetings for the purpose of receiving information or sharing information and expertise with students, colleagues and parents/guardians
- Hold expectations for high performance of self
- Demonstrate computer literacy and operate software programs as related to job responsibilities
- Maintain accurate, complete and confidential records as required by law and District policy and regulations
- Maintain the integrity of confidential information relating to a student, family, colleague or NWRESD patron, and use or relay confidential information only in the course of performing assigned responsibilities
- Follow all laws, District policies, rules, regulations, memos, announcements and reasonable requests by proper authority
- Maintain regular attendance at work and work activities and punctuality regarding deadlines, meeting attendance and following schedules
- Work collaboratively with other departments

#### LANGUAGE SKILLS:

Ability to read, analyze and interpret documents such as software manuals/instructions and procedural manuals. Ability to write routine reports and correspondence. Ability to effectively present information in one-on-one and small group situations to customers, clients and other employees of the organization.

#### **MATHEMATICAL SKILLS:**

Ability to perform basic mathematical calculations with a high degree of accuracy.

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### **REASONING ABILITY:**

Ability to apply common sense to carry out oral and written instructions. Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where some standardization exists. Ability to interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

#### WORK ENVIRONMENT:

Work is generally performed in a standard office setting. Travel to various sites may be required.

#### Daily:

- Requires regular focus on a computer screen
- May be required to sit, stand, keyboard, write, hear and speak for extended periods of time
- Precise control of fingers and hand movements required.
- · Work activities may include bending, stooping, kneeling

#### Weekly:

- Ability to perform job and communicate in a noisy environment.
- · Travel to various sites may be required

#### **PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to sit, walk and stand. The employee will frequently bend or twist at the neck and trunk while performing the duties of this job. The employee is occasionally required to reach with hands and arms and stoop or kneel. The employee continuously uses hand strength to grasp tools. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 30 pounds.

Note: The description contained herein reflect general details as necessary to describe the principle functions of this job, the level of knowledge and skill typically required, and the scope of responsibility, but should not be considered an all-inclusive listing of work requirements. Individuals may perform other duties as assigned, including work in other functional areas to cover absences or relief, to equalize peak work periods, or otherwise to balance the workload.

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*NWRESD believes that every individual makes a significant contribution to our success. The administration reserves the right to modify, add or remove duties as necessary that still reflect the essential functions of the department. It is our expectation that every employee will offer their services wherever and whenever necessary to ensure the success of the ESD's goals.* 

### **Equal Opportunity Employer**

Northwest Regional Education Service District is an equal opportunity employer; committed to building an inclusive community and an environment free from discrimination, harassment, and retaliation. We are proud to be <u>an antiracist organization</u>. We work to understand how racial ideology is manufactured and how it impacts the lives of our staff and those we serve.

Northwest Regional Education Service District is proud to be an antiracist, <u>Equal Employment</u> <u>Opportunity</u> and Affirmative Action employer. We are committed to ensuring diversity and inclusion in all aspects of recruitment, selection, and employment without regard to race, disability, gender identity/expression, sexual orientation, national origin, ethnicity, religion, veteran or military status, or any other category protected under the law.

Northwest Regional Education Service District is committed to providing reasonable accommodations in our recruitment procedures for individuals experiencing a disability. If you need assistance or accommodation due to a disability, please contact us at <u>hrhelp@nwresd.k12.or.us</u>. Speech/Hearing impaired persons may contact the district for assistance through the Oregon telecommunications Relay Service at 1-800-735-2900.

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