



TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

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JOB POSTING

Position Name: Licensed Specialist in School Psychology (LSSP)	State Classification: Professional (P7-B)
Job Posting Number: 315-09-65	Posting Date: October 9, 2009
Division: Student Support Services	Application Deadline: Open Until Filled
Department: Admissions/Assessment	Date Available: Immediately
Established Work Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	Duration: 187 days
Starting Wage: \$234.882 - \$350.765 per day (salary will be based on degree and prior professional experience)	Number of Openings: 1

Qualified TSD staff may have the opportunity to earn additional compensation through supplemental employment activities such as summer school positions, athletic coaching, academic tutoring, extracurricular sponsors, and short-term outreach programs.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Completes academic, intellectual, adaptive behavior, and psychological evaluations with deaf and hard of hearing students from birth to 21 including students with additional disabilities. Writes reevaluation plans, full and individual evaluations, and comprehensive psychological evaluation reports. Work involves testing and evaluating students to determine instructional placement, support services, and disability eligibilities. Works under limited supervision with considerable latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

- Determines appropriate evaluation measures to use for students
- Gathers, researches, organizes, and compiles information for the reevaluation plans, for neuropsychological evaluations to be completed by a neuropsychologist, and for comprehensive psychological evaluations
- Administers comprehensive testing assessments
- Analyzes, interprets, and evaluates testing assessment data
- Identifies special service needs of students
- Recommends and determines student academic placement
- Develops and prepares a variety of information reports
- Responds to various assessment issues and requests for information
- Maintains database to determine schedule of assessments
- Schedules and administers full and individual evaluations for deaf students between the ages of 0-21 with varying additional disabilities
- Conducts and/or coordinates psychological and behavioral assessments
- Participates in summer admission assessments and recommends academic placement
- Disseminates completed reports to the eligibility folder, school file, parents and LEA
- Attends ARD meetings and shares information with staff and parents
- Serves as a resource to TSD staff
- Maintains current knowledge of TEA and federal guidelines regarding special education students

SUPERVISOR

Admissions/Special Education Coordinator

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

- Licensed or eligible to be licensed by the Texas State Board of Psychologists as a Licensed Specialist in School Psychology (LSSP)
- Sign Language: The applicant needs to have sign language skills at hire but will be required to participate in sign language classes offered at TSD until reaching a level of Advanced as evaluated on the Signed Communication Proficiency Interview. Note to Applicant: The ultimate required proficiency level for the position using the levels designated in the Signed Communication Proficiency Interview (SCPI) is ADVANCED. If hired with a sign language proficiency level below this level, you are required to participate in signed communication learning opportunities on a regular basis until you have achieved the sign language proficiency level assigned to your position.

QUALIFICATIONS DESIRED

- Proficient signed communications skills
- Experience working in a school setting with special education population
- Experience working with deaf individuals
- Knowledge of Special Education Laws
- Experience completing psychological evaluations to address disabilities including but not limited to autism spectrum and emotional disturbance
- Able to write clear, concise, organized documents
- Experience using MS Word, Excel, and databases

Application should be made to: Texas School for the Deaf
Human Resources Office
1102 South Congress Avenue
Austin, Texas 78704
512-462-5321

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