MURRIETA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE: PRINCIPAL, MIDDLE SCHOOL

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of

- 1. Assessment and evaluation of effective instructional techniques.
- 2. Curricular development and assessment.
- 3. Development of a school-wide master schedule.
- 4. Effective instructional strategies.
- 5. Preparation and implementation of a school-wide disaster preparedness plan.
- 6. Special education mandates.
- 7. State and district laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to the educational environment.
- 8. Supervision of campus climate and co-curricular events.
- 9. Safety rules and regulations for this position.

Ability to

- 1. Apply general policies and procedures to specific situations.
- 2. Assist in developing and implementing a school vision.
- 3. Be a productive and active team member.
- 4. Communicate effectively and tactfully in both oral and written forms.
- 5. Conduct workshops.
- 6. Effectively and efficiently supervise a variety of personalities.
- 7. Establish and maintain effective work relationships with those contacted in the performance of required duties, including to, but limited to, students, staff, law enforcement agencies, parent, and community members.
- 8. Facilitate open communication and understanding.
- 9. Facilitate participatory decision-making.
- 10. Handle all matters in a tactful, courteous, and confidential manner so as to maintain and/or establish good public relations.
- 11. Identity school issues.
- 12. Interact with local support agencies.
- 13. Investigate issues which relate to school climate and safety.
- 14. Learn and follow the operations, procedures, policies, and requirements of an assigned program or operations unit.
- 15. Perform the job functions in the job description.
- 16. Present and maintain a professional appearance and demeanor.
- 17. Receive and give information over the telephone or in person in a courteous manner.
- 18. Set, follow, and evaluate school policies.
- 19. Understand and carry out oral and written instructions, policies, and procedures.
- 20. Work cohesively in a team environment.
- 21. Work successfully with diverse groups of people.
- 22. Write grant proposals.

Training and Experience

- 1. A Master's Degree or higher degree from an accredited college or university.
- 2. A work history demonstrating dependability, reliability, and good attendance.
- 3. Bilingual (Spanish) proficiency desired.
- 4. Four (4) or more years of successful teaching experience, preferably at the middle school level.
- 5. Participation in or graduation from the California School Leadership Academy
- 6. Possession and maintenance of a valid and appropriate California Administrative Services Credential.
- 7. Possession and maintenance of a valid California Teaching Credential.
- 8. Two (2) or more years of successful administrative experience, preferably at the middle school level.
- **REPORTS TO:** Superintendent
- **SUPERVISES**: All personnel attached to the school
- **JOB GOAL:** To provide school-wide leadership, supervisory, and administrative skills so as to promote the educational development of each student.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

- 1. Actively participates in Accrediation and other school evaluation/study efforts.
- 2. Articulates Blue/Red vision, program, and goals to feeder shcools and community.
- 3. Assesses staff professional growth needs on a regular basis and provides varied opportunities for staff to participate in professional growth activities.
- 4. Assumes responsibility for ensuring student attendance rates are maintained at a high level.
- 5. Attends and participates in student, staff, and school-related community functions.
- 6. Builds a sense of teamwork, maintains high standards, demonstrates a positive attitude, and is relentless in the pursuit of excellence.
- 7. Confers with staff, students, and community leaders on school needs.
- 8. Conducts in-service activities for all staff members that include modeling appropriate instructional techniques.
- 9. Coordinates the functions of all certificated and classified employees.
- 10. Creates partnerships with business and community groups as appropriate.
- 11. Demonstrates a willingness to participate in district-level activities.
- 12. Develops school plans and organizational procedures for the health, safety, discipline and conduct of students and staff.
- 13. Directs and actively participates in all Crisis Intervention Team activities.
- 14. Ensures proper maintenance and control of site-based and student funds.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS (continued)

- 15. Establishes a participatory management system which provides staff involvement in appropriate decision making.
- 16. Functions as an instructional leader.
- 17. Implements all aspects of the "Caught in the Middle" concept to include proper liaison with elementary and high schools.
- 18. Implements district-approved curriculum.
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- 20. Interacts with parent, student, and staff concerns in a sensitive and timely manner.
- 21. Interprets school programs to community leaders.
- 22. Keeps the superintendent informed of the school's activities and problems.
- 23. Knows and understands the Vision Statement of the district.
- 24. Knows, understands, and implements board policies and regulations applicable to assignment.
- 25. Maintains a high level of visibility on the campus.
- 26. Maintains administrative records.
- 27. Maintains high standards of student conduct and enforces discipline as necessary, according to due process to the rights of students.
- 28. Manages time effectively so that priorities are attended to in an effective manner.
- 29. Meets regularly with students, staff, and parents to evaluate the school and plan for its improvement in all aspects curriculum, instruction, administration, fiscal management, student activities, and community involvement.
- 30. Monitors the maintenance of the buildings and grounds in an aesthetically pleasing manner.
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- 32. Monitors the progress of pupils, and takes action to ensure that a high level of pupil success is achieved.
- 33. Monitors the school budget and makes financial decisions based on priorities; maintains a balanced budget.
- 34. Motivates, encourages, and supports each student and staff member.
- 35. Participates in district in-service training as required.
- 36. Performs such other tasks and assumes such other responsibilities as the superintendent may assign.
- 37. Plans for the most effective use of curriculum materials, instructional supplies, and equipment.
- 38. Plans, coordinates, and evaluates the curricular and extra-curricular programs of the school.
- 39. Plans, supervises, and directs the business operation of the school in accordance with district policies and procedures.
- 40. Provides instructional leadership in the latest instructional strategies to include, but not limited to, Cooperative Learning, Thematic Approaches, and Direct Instruction.
- 41. Provides leadership to staff in the selection and use of textbooks and instructional materials.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS (continued)

- 42. Provides leadership to the site, to the team (BlueRed), and to the district.
- 43. Provides leadership to the staff and community in maintaining and/or developing educational programs which meet the needs of all students.
- 44. Provides leadership to the staff in determining short range and long range plans based on school level needs and/or overall District goals and objectives.
- 45. Provides monthly written information to the community about school programs, events, etc.
- 46. Returns all phone calls from parents/guardians on an immediate as possible basis, and definitely within 24 hours.
- 47. Serves as member of all special education IEP potential placement meetings.
- 48. Strives to create a school climate which is positive and productive for students, staff, and community.
- 49. Supervises and evaluates the performance of all school personnel in accordance with the District's adopted uniform guidelines for evaluation and assessment.
- 50. Takes all appropriate actions to ensure any potential gang or gang-related activities are eliminated.
- 51. Uses a participatory management system, which provides staff involvement in appropriate decision making.
- 52. Works in conjunction with the Learning Director and staff to instill confidence and competence in each student.
- 53. Works with teachers, Learning Director, students, staff, parents, and other administrators to design, implement, monitor, and assess each area of the curriculum, emphasizing the K-12 sequence.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Must use safety equipment and devices designated for this position.
- 2. Possession and maintenance of a valid and appropriate state of California Driver's License; have an acceptable driving record; and be insurable at standard rates by the district's insurance carrier and maintain such insurability during the course of employment.
- 3. Possession and maintenance of a First Aid Certificate and Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) certification desired.
- 4. Some positions in this class may require individuals who can read, write, and/or speak a second language.

PHYSICAL ABILITIES

- 1. Visual ability to read handwritten or typed documents and the display screen of various office equipment and machines.
- 2. Able to conduct verbal conversation in English or other designated language.
- 3. Able to hear normal range verbal conversation (approximately 60 decibels.)
- 4. Able to sit, stand, stoop, kneel, bend, and walk.

PHYSICAL ABILITIES (continued)

- 5. Able to sit for sustained periods of time.
- 6. Able to kneel or squat for extended periods of time.
- 7. Able to climb slopes, stairs, steps, ramps, and ladders.
- 8. Able to lift up to fifteen (10) pounds frequently, and thirty (30) pounds occasionally.
- 9. Able to carry up to fifteen (10) pounds frequently, and thirty (30) pounds occasionally.
- 10. Able to push and pull objects weighing up to thirty (30) pounds.
- 11. Able to exhibit full range of motion for shoulder external rotation and internal rotation.
- 12. Able to exhibit full range of motion for shoulder abduction and adduction.
- 13. Able to exhibit full range of motion for elbow flexion and extension.
- 14. Able to exhibit full range of motion for shoulder extension and flexion.
- 15. Able to exhibit full range of motion for back lateral flexion.
- 16. Able to exhibit full range of motion for hip flexion and extension.
- 17. Able to exhibit full range of motion for knee flexion.
- 18. Able to demonstrate manual dexterity necessary to operate calculator, typewriter, and/or computer keyboard at the required speed and accuracy in a safe and effective manner.
- 19. Able to operate a motor vehicle in a safe and effective manner.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:

215-day work year Certificated Management

- **EVALUATION**: Performance of this job will be evaluated in accordance with provisions of the Board's policy on Evaluation of Professional Personnel.
- Approved by:Board of EducationDate:May 14, 1992Approved by:Board of EducationDate:June 26, 2003

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MURRIETA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

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