



UTAH SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind Job Announcement Transition Specialist

Job Description

The Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind (USDB) is seeking a visionary and dynamic individual to join USDB as a Transition Specialist. This full-time position will be required to travel to all USDB locations in Ogden, Salt Lake, and Orem.

Principal Duties

As a Transition Specialist you will:

- Teach year-long CCR courses for students 8th-12th grades and PHS that address critical transition services in the areas of: life skills, post-secondary planning, self-determination, work based skills, resumes/applications/interviewing skills.
- Supervise job coaches/job crews/work experience program for credit.
- Provide/facilitate job shadowing and/or work experience opportunities in the community.
- Coordinate transition team meetings and report to advisory council and directors on institution/region needs and achievements.
- Maintain a "Transition Profile" for each student in their cumulative folder that tracks assessments and their results with a suggested timeline of implementation.
- Collaborate with community businesses to establish work experience and shadowing opportunities.
- Attend IEP meetings to discuss transition plans/options.
- Collaborate with IEP teams to write meaningful transition plans, determine post-secondary goals and transition services, and/or serve as a resource to special education case managers.
- Work closely with guidance department on post-secondary options.
- Work closely with teachers to ensure that transition needs are being met in the classroom and on IEPs.
- Provide transition assessments to students.
- Represent the exclusive transition needs of Deaf/HH teens to USBE, legislature, and other stakeholders.
- Establish and maintain a transition assessment and services resource file to be utilized by special education staff that includes collaboration with team members (service providers, community members, and parents).
- Work with counselors to organize a yearly "Transition Fair" for special education students and their families that would provide information from workplaces, colleges, transition program, community resources, etc.
- Facilitate tours/visits of Tech Campus, Colleges, and University's Office for Students with Disabilities.
- Work closely with Directors in the divisions that they serve, to ensure that Transition needs are being met in the classroom and on IEPs.
- Coordinate with Division of Services for People with Disabilities and Vocational Rehabilitation.
- Coordinate with area Transition Specialist in local school districts- to keep communication open and to be aware of services available.
- Develop transition curricula.
- Develop online transition courses for use statewide and campus programs.

The Ideal Candidate

The ideal candidate will possess or eligibility of:

- Minimum of Bachelor's degree in Deaf Education (Masters degree preferred)
- American Sign Language Skills required with ASLPI rating of 3 or better
- Eligible for a State of Utah Educator License in Deaf Education
- Preference will be given to individuals that are deaf or hard of hearing

Compensation

This is a full-time position, 183-day contract. 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, a current resume, transcripts, copy of teaching license, and a list of 3 or more professional references. Please send all application materials to:

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