



**JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 171**  
Preparing The Next Generation To Thrive

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## **Vacancy Announcement: 2026 – 2027 School Year**

Date: January 26, 2026

Position: Speech Language Pathologist

Location: Joint School District 171

Joint School District 171 is seeking a dedicated and compassionate Speech-Language Pathologist to join our Special Education team. Located in the heart of the Clearwater Valley, we offer world-class outdoor recreation in your backyard, all with a low cost of living and a tight-knit community feel.

### **Why JSD 171?**

- Work-Life Balance: Enjoy the 4-day school week.
- Impact: Be one of the "resident experts" in a small, supportive team where your voice is heard.
- Financial Perks: Qualify for Federal Student Loan Forgiveness (up to \$17,500) and competitive rural school salary schedule.
- Competitive Benefits: We offer a comprehensive benefits package including health insurance, PERSI retirement, and professional development support.

### **Job Summary**

The primary goal of this role is to identify, assess, and provide evidence-based intervention for students with communication disorders. You will work closely with teachers, parents, and administrators to ensure that every student has the tools they need to access their education and thrive socially and academically.

### **Key Responsibilities**

- Assess speech, language, and communication disorders.
- Develop and manage IEPs with measurable, data-driven goals.
- Provide evidence-based therapy (individual and group).
- Advise teachers and parents on classroom strategies and augmentative and alternative communication support.
- Maintain timely records for compliance and Medicaid billing.

### **Qualifications**

Selected individual must have the following qualifications:

- Master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology.
- Idaho Department of Education Speech Language Pathologist endorsement (or eligibility to obtain one).
- Have or be able to obtain in one year ASHA's Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC)
- Excellent interpersonal, communication, organizational, and leadership skills.

- Maintain confidentiality of staff and students.
- Applicant must be able to pass a criminal background check and drug screening.

#### Salary

Contingent based on education and experience.

2025-2026 Certified Salary Schedule: <https://orofinojsd171.schoolinsites.com/salaryschedules>

This position qualifies for a \$5,000 annual stipend.

#### Benefits

Employee medical, vision, and dental insurance coverage paid 100% by the district. Family benefits paid at 80% coverage. \$20,000 employee life insurance and \$2,000 dependent life insurance paid by the district. Eligible for PERSI retirement.

Closing Date: Open until filled

Start Date: August 2026

Schedule: Four-day school week with periodic Friday work days. 174 contract days per year.

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Applications Available:

<https://orofinojsd171.schoolinsites.com/employmentopportunities>

Select Speech Language Pathologist Application

email [HR@jsd171.org](mailto:HR@jsd171.org)

Central Office- 1145 Riverside Ave. Orofino, ID 83544

Please return application materials to Human Resources: [HR@jsd171.org](mailto:HR@jsd171.org)

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