Mobile County PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Job Description Title – PHYSICAL EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONAL SUPERVISED BY/REPORTS TO: Principal or his/her designee.

FLSA Designation: Non-exempt

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Associate degree or 48 semester hours from an institution of higher education that was appropriately accredited per the Alabama State Department of Education at the time the courses were taken, or degree was completed <u>or</u> a passing score on the ACT WorkKeys Assessment. A secondary (high) school diploma is also required for those taking the WorkKeys. The Assessment is taken at the employee's expense.
- Ability to meet the suitability criteria for employment under the Alabama Child Protection Act of 1999 and Act No. 2002-457.
- Good general health, clean in attire and appearance.
- Ability to be physically active all day with students indoors and outdoors.
- Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.
- Ability to be punctual and regular in attendance.

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

Ability to read and interpret documents including lesson plans, safety rules, attendance instructions, and school and district procedure manuals. Ability to write routine reports and correspondence.

REASONING ABILITY:

Demonstrates application of common sense understanding to carry out detailed written or oral instructions. Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where only limited standardization exists. Ability to organize and, prioritize, manage, and carry out duties efficiently and within established timeframes.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

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, or stand for possible long periods of time. The employee must have physical strength, agility, dexterity, acuity, reflexes, grasping, pushing, pulling, lifting, and mobility to perform job responsibilities. Must be able to reach overhead, above the shoulders and horizontally.

- The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds and push or pull up to 50 pounds.
- Must have sufficient seeing and hearing abilities to hear and see students in a variety of situations in and outside of the school building.
- The employee must be able to stand in for a teacher on occasion as directed by a school administrator, department chair or other designated teacher. May be required to assist students on field trips.

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES AND ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

The performance responsibilities and essential duties described here are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. These must be met by an employee to perform the essential functions of this job successfully and satisfactorily.

- 1. Assists school administration and teachers in planning and organizing a sound physical education program fitting the needs of each grade level.
- 2. Assists teachers in Physical Education classes and activities by actual participation in the program.
- 3. Leads, monitors, demonstrates, participates, and oversees student drills, warm-up stretches, practices, and exercises; coordinates teams and activities for physical education classes; organizes sports activities during lunch and recess.
- 4. Provides support to the teacher by setting up equipment for physical education classes, sports activities; assists in setup, distributing, collecting, and storing physical education and sports equipment.
- 5. Observes, supervises, and controls behavior of students on the playground, in the gym and outdoor learning environments according to approved procedures, reports progress regarding student performance and behavior. Acts to prevent and deescalate student behavior. Provides playground and locker room supervision.
- 6. Assists in the evaluation of students as recommended for state physical fitness requirements. Administers fitness testing as needed.
- 7. Inventories physical education equipment.
- 8. Demonstrates ability and willingness to work in a highly demanding, stressful environment.
- 9. Assists teacher in grading assignments; keeps routine records related to attendance, grades, test scores, behavior or other documentation as needed and assigned.
- 10. Assists with the supervision of students both before and after school as well as during emergency drills, assemblies, and between classes.
- 11. Respects confidentiality of all students records and meetings. Maintains appropriate confidentiality regarding school/workplace matters.
- 12. Supervises a group of students in the temporary absence of the certified teacher.
- 13. Attends all required training meetings and workshops.
- 14. Reports potential problems, unusual events, or work irregularities to appropriate administrative or supervisory personnel.
- 15. Reports absences and takes leave in accordance with Board policies and procedures.
- 16. Adheres to school system rules, administrative procedures, local Board policies, and state, federal regulations.
- 17. Works well with all supervisors and other members of the team.

18. Performs special assignments and other duties as assigned or required by the supervisor or administrator.

OTHER REQUIRED SKILLS and ABILITIES:

- Ability to work effectively with students during physical education classes.
- Ability to communicate effectively with a variety of audiences, orally and in writing, including electronic media.
- Ability to physically manage students and equipment.
- Ability to communicate clearly and concisely both in oral and written form.
- Demonstrates performance duties with awareness of all District requirements and Board of Education policies.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job.

- ✓ Indoor and outdoor environment: May be exposed to adverse weather conditions such as seasonal cold and heat.
- ✓ The employee must be able to meet deadlines with severe time constraints and interact with public and other workers. Possible contact with dissatisfied individuals.
- ✓ The employee may be exposed to noise levels that are loud enough in a classroom, a gymnasium, playground, or a cafeteria that the employee must raise his/her voice to be heard.
- ✓ Regularly exposed to fumes, airborne particles, grasses, and seasonal exposure to pollens. May be exposed to blood-borne pathogens.

EVALUATION

Performance of this job will be evaluated annually in accordance with provisions of the Board's policy on Evaluation of Classified Employees. Evaluation will be by the Building Principal or his/her designee.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT

9-months (187 days) 7 hours per day. Daily work schedule will be determined by the Principal or his/her designee. Work schedules are subject to change. At Will Employee subject to the Students First Act of 2011 and other applicable state and federal laws.

SALARY

See current Salary Schedule on Human Resources Webpage.

This job description describes the general nature and level of work performed by employees assigned to this position. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all job goals, qualifications, and responsibilities and the employee may be required to perform other related duties as assigned. The Mobile County Board of Education Division of Human Resources reserves the right to amend the job description as needed, without notice.

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