

# CLASSIFIED

**Job Classification Description** 

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MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL COMMISSION APPROVED MOTION NO. 22-2022/23 DOCUMENT NO. 10-2022/23 DATED: 10/19/2022

# **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I**

<b>DEPARTMENT/SITE:</b> K-8 School Sites	SALARY SCHEDULE:Classified Bargaining UnitSALARY RANGE:32WORK CALENDAR:225 Days
<b>REPORTS TO:</b> Principal of K-8 Site with student population <400	FLSA: Non-Exempt

#### **PURPOSE STATEMENT:**

Under the general direction of an elementary K-8 school site with a student population of less than 400, the Administrative Assistant I perform specific responsibilities for administrative and secretarial support to assigned school site administrators, monitoring assigned activities, and providing information, recommendations, and/or direction as requested by the assigned administrator. The incumbents in this classification provide the school community with administrative assistant duties, in support of a K-6, K-8, or Alternative Education School Site, which directly supports student learning and achievement.

# **DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS**

Positions in this class are at the first level in the Administrative Assistant Series. The Administrative Assistant I classification provides secretarial support to the Principal of an assigned elementary K-8 School site with a student population of less than 400.

# **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND TASKS:**

The following alphabetical list of functions, duties and tasks is typical for this classification. Incumbents may not perform all of the listed duties and/or may be required to perform other closely related or department-specific functions, duties and tasks from those set forth below to address business needs and changing business practices.

- Acts as a resource to teachers, students, parents, and the general public regarding general and specific information on the policies, procedures, and activities of the assigned school site; communicates with District personnel, students, staff, parents, community members, vendors, and various outside agencies to exchange information, coordinate activities and resolve issues or concerns.
- Administers first aid and prescription medications to students (under the direction of a health care professional) for providing emergency and necessary care in compliance with established guidelines.
- Answers and initiates telephone calls for responding to inquiries, transferring calls, taking messages, requesting information, and/ or conveying information.
- Assists in maintaining a wide variety of confidential and non-confidential manual and electronic documents, files, and records (e.g., calendars, budget data reports, student cumulative files, testing materials, discipline records, and Home Hospital records) for providing up-to-date information and/or historical reference in accordance with established administrative guidelines and legal requirements.
- Assures that all staff absences are covered each day; determines daily absences; distributes substitute binders, substitute plans, and attendance rosters; maintains time sheets; calls for prep coverages and documents prep pay coverages; approves and reconciles absences on automated substitute system.
- Collects payments for a variety of events (e.g., fines, fees, and fundraisers) for the purpose of completing transactions and/or securing funds.
- Compiles data from a variety of sources (e.g., work orders, budget reports, specialized reports, personnel records) for complying with financial, legal, and/ or administrative requirements.
- Coordinates a variety of projects, functions, and/or program components (e.g., appointments, meetings,

in-service events, travel, and accommodations, graduations, promotions, Back to School Nights) for the purpose of completing activities and or delivering services to achieve goals and meet target dates.

- Facilitates student enrollment and performs onsite registration and withdrawal activities for complying with established requirements; works directly with students and families to ensure accurate processes are completed and needs are met.
- Greets and screens visitors and phone calls; coordinates flow of communications for assigned administrator; responds to inquiries and provides information; directs individuals to the appropriate location in accordance with established building security procedures; exercises independent judgment in resolving a variety of issues; and refers difficult issues to the assigned administrator, as necessary.
- Monitors a variety of activities on behalf of the assigned administrator (e.g., account balances, work order status) to achieve goals and meet target dates in compliance with established guidelines and regulatory requirements.
- Monitors students referred for illness or disciplinary action for ensuring student welfare and maintaining a secure office environment.
- Oversees the work activities among the office staff (e.g., clerks, secretaries, volunteers) for the purpose of organizing work assignments and ensuring completion within established guidelines.
- Participates in a variety of meetings, workshops, trainings, and activities; records minutes and summaries; supports the needs of the attendees.
- Prepares a variety of documents (e.g., correspondence, memoranda, agendas, minutes, event programs, bulletins, reports, requisitions) for the purpose of communicating information and/or creating documentation in compliance with established guidelines.
- Prepares course schedule in student software system; produces class rosters; opens and closes grade books for teachers; performs steps for quarterly standard-based grades (1<sup>st</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> grades) and grade reporting (7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> grades); prints report cards for students.
- Processes documents and materials (e.g., timesheets, work orders, requisitions, travel reimbursements, open enrollment forms, student cumulative files, and mail) for disseminating information in compliance with administrative guidelines and/or regulatory requirements.
- Procures supplies and materials for maintaining the availability of required items.
- Provides administrative assistance to assigned administrator, schedules and arranges appointments, meetings, and conferences.
- Researches a variety of topics (e.g., current practices, policies, standard operating procedures) to provide information and recommendations and to address a variety of administrative requirements.
- Responds to a variety of inquiries from internal and external parties (e.g., staff, parents, students, public agencies, vendors) to provide information, facilitate communication among parties, and/or provide direction.
- Performs other related duties as assigned for ensuring the efficient and effective functioning of the work unit and the District, including various mandatory District trainings.

# KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

(At time of application)

# Knowledge of:

- Modern office practices, procedures, and equipment
- Current policies, laws, and procedures
- Use of job-related software applications, including virtual meeting platforms
- Business telephone techniques and etiquette
- Correct English usage, including grammar, spelling, punctuation, and vocabulary
- Expertise in Microsoft Office, Google Suite tools, and other applicable software applications including virtual meeting platforms
- District policies and procedures associated with educational processes
- District organization and locations

#### Skills and Abilities to:

- Keyboard accurately at an acceptable rate of speed
- Operate standard office equipment utilizing pertinent software applications
- Prepare and maintain accurate records
- Plan and manage complex and responsible projects
- Accurately take and transcribe notes and/meeting minutes/recollections
- Maintains confidentiality of Student Services files and records
- Display exemplary planning, prioritization, and time management skills
- Communicate with diverse groups maintaining confidentiality, meeting deadlines and schedules; working with frequent interruptions, setting priorities; establishing and maintaining effective working relationships
- Communicate with staff, parents, and the public using patience and courtesy, and in a manner that reflects positively on the organizational unit
- Read, write, and communicate clearly in English; a second language (usually Spanish) may be required
- Perform well under pressure for competing time-sensitive priorities
- Understand and follow written and oral instructions
- Exercise tact and diplomacy in dealing with sensitive, complex, and confidential issues and situations

#### **RESPONSIBILITY:**

Responsibilities include working under limited supervision; following standardized practices and/or methods; providing information and /or advising others; and operating within a defined budget. Utilization of some resources from other work units is often required to perform the job's functions. There is a continual opportunity to affect the organization's services.

#### JOB QUALIFICATIONS / REQUIREMENTS:

(At time of application and in addition to the Knowledge, Skills and Abilities listed above.)

### **EDUCATION REQUIRED:**

High School diploma or equivalent.

# **EXPERIENCE REQUIRED:**

Three (3) years of increasingly responsible clerical/secretarial experience in an office environment.

#### LICENSE(S) REQUIRED:

• Valid, current California Driver's License or ability to provide transportation to meetings, events, and trainings associated with essential functions, duties, and tasks.

#### **CERTIFICATIONS AND TESTING REQUIRED:**

- Pass the District's applicable proficiency exam for the job class with a satisfactory score
- After an offer of employment, obtain:
  - Criminal Justice and FBI Fingerprint Clearance
  - Negative TB test result plus periodic post-employment retest as required (currently every four years)
  - o Pre-employment physical exam A through the District's provider

# WORK ENVIRONMENT / PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

(Must be performed with or without reasonable accommodations)

- Work is primarily indoors and requires sitting for extended periods
- Sitting or standing for extended periods of time
- Lift objects such as boxes containing documents weighing up to 35 pounds
- Bending at the waist, kneeling or crouching to file materials or access equipment, carrying, pushing

and/or pulling

- Dexterity of hands and fingers to operate a computer keyboard and maintain paper files and documents
- Hearing and speaking to exchange information
- Visual acuity to see/read documents and computer screen