

TITLE: District Nurse

QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's or associate's degree in nursing. To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily.

REPORTS TO: Superintendent

JOB GOALS: To provide the fullest possible educational opportunity for each student by minimizing absence due to illness and creating a climate of health and well-being in the district schools.

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILTIES:

- 1. Serves as a health consultant to district.
- 2. Provides health counseling and guidance to pupils to promote optimum growth and development.
- 3. Plans with and assists teachers in teaching units of health instruction.
- 4. Participates in the formulation of policies and procedures for the control of communicable diseases within the school, taking into consideration local health department regulations.
- 5. Interprets these policies and procedures to school personnel, parents and pupils.
- 6. Participates in planning policies and procedures for emergency care of illness and injury occurring while pupils are under school jurisdiction.
- 7. Plans for necessary supplies and equipment, both for her needs and emergency care for any delegated person's use.
- 8. Observes the school environment and reports health and safety hazards to school principal.
- 9. Assists in the development of procedures to assess the total health status of all pupils.
- 10. Assumes responsibility for screening procedures used in health appraisals.
- 11. Identifies health problems through observations and interviews.
- 12. Helps pupils to develop self-reliance in dealing with personal health and to accept and adjust positively to their physical, mental, and social limitations.
- 13. Consults with parents regarding the health of their children.
- 14. Promotes and fosters intercommunications with physicians, dentists and community agencies to plan for the well-being of pupils.
- 15. Interprets health, social needs, and resources to school personnel.
- 16. Conducts and participates in studies of school nursing methods, procedures and services accomplishments and is alert to needs for improvements.
- 17. Appraises the school health program in terms of meeting pupil health needs.
- 18. Participated in workshops and studies related to various aspects of the total school health program.

- 19. Conducts hearing and vision screening on all 1st and 4th graders in the district (assist as needed).
- 20. Conducts hearing and vision on students who are experiencing academic difficulty, and are referred by teachers and/or other district personnel.
- 21. Investigates when a student is referred as possible victim of child abuse and/or neglect. (Examines student and talks with principal)
- 22. Performs such other duties and assumes such other responsibilities as the District Administration may from time to time as the superintendent may assign.
- 23. Provide staff development and education to district personnel.
- 24. Collect monthly data for Mississippi Department of Education.
- 25. Provide district-wide tobacco education and programs.
- 26. Encourages student academic success through linking the importance of nutrition and physical activities.
- 27. Oversee school health counsel development and school wellness policies, district-wide.
- 28. Maintain student health records.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT: Salary and work year to be established by the Superintendent and approved by the Board.

EVALUATION: Performance of this job will be evaluated annually by the Superintendent.