

SECTION TEACHING/EDUCATIONAL SERVICES PERSONNEL

AREA EDUCATIONAL SERVICES PERSONNEL

TITLE: School Nurse Practitioner

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. New Jersey certification as a School Nurse.
2. Graduation from an ANA approved School Nurse Practitioner program.
3. Such additional or alternative qualifications as the Board of Education may deem appropriate.

REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY:

The School Nurse Practitioner is directly responsible to the district's Coordinator of Medical Services and the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction for his/her duties as a School Nurse Practitioner and to the building principal for his/her duties as School Nurse.

JOB GOAL:

The School Nurse Practitioner, under the supervision of the district's Coordinator of Medical Services, performs those student physical examinations required by law and/or policy which the parents/guardians have not had done by the students' regular physicians and which have not been done by the school physician. In addition, he/she serves as a medical resource for the School Nurses.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:

Ten month contract consistent with the agreement negotiated with the applicable bargaining unit.

PERSONAL EVALUATION:

Based on the performance of the responsibilities identified in this position description and in the position description for School Nurse (#362), and the criteria and procedures of the applicable evaluation policy. See Policy 4118, Evaluation of Tenured Teaching Staff Members and Policy 4119, Evaluation of Non-Tenured Teaching Staff Members.

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Performs the required regular student physical examinations (grades K, 3, 7 and 11) which the parents/guardians have not had done by the students' regular physicians and which have not been done by the school physician. Such physical examinations shall include review of the health history, and giving advice or counseling where appropriate.
2. Performs examinations for scoliosis on students referred by school nurses as suspected cases. When diagnosis is confirmed or in doubt, refers student to the family physician.

3. Performs physical examinations on district students registering for the Special Olympics and Tournament of Champions. In cases of students with Down's Syndrome, the School Nurse Practitioner may perform the registrations physical only if the student has had a physical examination by a physician within the past year.
4. Makes home visits when indicated for effective management of health problems.
5. Provides primary care through diagnosis and referral for treatment to the following students:
 - a. Students reporting to the Nurse's office repeatedly with medical problems.
 - b. Students repeatedly absent because of illness.
6. Serves as a medical resource to the school nurses.
7. Performs other duties and responsibilities incidental to the position or as assigned by the district's Coordinator of Medical Services and/or the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.