

## WAUNAKEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

### SCHOOL PHYSICAL THERAPIST

#### Job Description

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. Bachelor's degree in physical therapy from an accredited school.
2. Current physical therapy license from the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing, Physical Therapists Affiliated Credentialing Board.
3. Current physical therapy license (817) from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.
4. Valid drivers license.
5. Ability to develop positive relations with students, staff, and public.

**REPORTS TO:** Director of Special Education

#### **GENERAL FUNCTIONS:**

The physical therapist provides services to children with exceptional educational needs (EEN) when they require physical therapy to benefit from their special education program. On occasion the physical therapist may provide services to Section 504 students who are eligible for physical therapy. The physical therapist works to improve, develop, restore, or maintain a child's sensory motor function in educational environments. The physical therapist, as related service personnel, works within state and federal law.

#### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:**

1. Instructs students individually and in-group settings
2. Participates in the IEP team process to develop, review, evaluate, and implement Individual Education Programs (IEP) and Section 504 Plans.
3. Informs regular education teachers of IEP if applicable.
4. Monitors and evaluates students work and progress based on tests, reports, work samples and observations and keeps appropriate records and prepares progress reports
5. Assists with diagnosis (testing/evaluation) and writes related reports.
6. Develops a treatment plan to outline the specific physical therapy intervention that will assist the child in meeting the goals and objectives.
7. Identifies pupil needs and makes appropriate referrals to and participates in CARE Team and develops and implements strategies for IEPs and 504 plans.
8. Provides qualitative and quantitative feedback to students and parents, participates in parent/teacher conferences, and open houses.
9. Establishes and maintains standards of pupil behavior to achieve an effective and safe learning environment.
10. Sets-up, maintains, and cleans treatment areas and physical therapy equipment.
11. Orders equipment.
12. Participates in building, content area, and grade level meetings as required.
13. Attends meetings and conferences and participates in other activities to promote professional growth.

14. Acts as an advocate for the student with special education staff, regular education staff, supervisors, administrators, community resources, and parents.
15. Supervises Certified Physical Therapy Assistant
16. Other duties as assigned by principal and Director of Special Education.

**OTHER FUNCTIONS:**

1. Perform other duties as assigned by principal and Director of Special Education.
2. Promote a positive image of the District at all times.

Adopted: October 2006