

INFANT SPECIALIST

Basic function

To act as combination home trainer and classroom teacher for special infants ages birth to 3-years old for the Santa Barbara County Education Office, Special Education Program. Responsibilities include assessment, instruction for students and parents, and consultation for parents and members of other agencies involved with the students.

Supervision

Directly responsible to a Coordinator of Special Education and/or the Associate Superintendent, Special Education.

Representative duties

- Conduct the Infant Program as established by Federal and State regulations and the Santa Barbara County Education
- Execute responsibilities in the assessment and evaluations of learning needs of children referred to the program.
- Work closely with parents, teachers, and support staff in the design and implementation of individualized educational programs. Establish well-defined educational goals and objectives for children who are eligible for the Infant Program.
- Provide direct instruction to special infants in their homes and/or in the classroom.
- Provide on-going parent counseling and parent training regarding handicapping conditions, child development, and specialized techniques for working with their child.
- Provide a stimulating classroom environment in which the individual educational goals of the child are complemented by those of the group.
- As appropriate, interface with other agencies such as Tri-Counties Regional Center, California Children's Services, Elks Major Project Therapists, Child Protective Services, and Public Health Nurses to coordinate services to children and their families.
- Maintain records and conduct periodic evaluations to review pupil progress, objectives and instructional procedures as needed.
- Assume responsibility for the safety and welfare of pupils and personnel.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications

Possession of a valid California Specialist Instruction Credential authorizing service in Special Education Program; verification of CBEST clearance. Experience and/or training appropriate to fulfill requirements of the position.

Licenses and certificates

Possession of a valid California Driver's License if required by the duties of the assignment.

Working conditions