

CENTRAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position: Middle School Classroom Teacher - Science

Classification: Certificated

Reports to: Site Administrator

Range: Certificated Salary Schedule

SUMMARY

To teach one or more classes of science to pupils in grades 7-8, and assist in other school programs as assigned.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Promotes learning of skills, knowledge, and scientific attitudes through courses in general science, utilizing course of study adopted by the Board of Trustees and other appropriate learning activities. May conduct developmental or pilot science programs officially approved by the district.
2. Instructs pupils in citizenship, basic communication skills, and other general elements of the course of study common to all teachers, as specified in state law and administrative regulations and procedure of the school district.
3. Plans a balanced science instructional program involving demonstrations, lectures, discussions, and student experiments; organizes laboratory activities and procedures for optimum learning.
4. Instructs pupils in proper use care, and safe handling of chemicals, science equipment and plant and animal life.
5. Establishes and maintains standards of pupil behavior needed to promote a productive learning environment during regular class sessions, laboratory sessions, and field trips.
6. Maintains interest centers and displays including books and similar materials to motivate learning of science.
7. Evaluates each pupil's growth in knowledge, skills, and scientific attitudes in course being taught and prepares progress reports.
8. Selects and requests books, instructional aids, science equipment, chemicals, glassware and supplies, and maintains inventory records as required.
9. Provides for safe storage and proper use of materials, equipment, and tools to prevent loss or abuse, Makes minor adjustments and requests repairs to equipment as required.
10. Maintains professional competence through participation in in-service education activities provided by the district and/or in self-selected professional growth activities.
11. Identifies pupil needs and cooperates with other professional staff members in assessing and helping pupils solve health, attitude, and learning problems.
12. Participates in curriculum and other developmental programs within the school of assignment and/or on a district level. May teach under modular or flexible scheduling plans.
13. Cooperates with school administration in providing science displays and programs for the school and community, and in sponsoring science fairs, clubs, and contests.
14. Communicates with parents and school counselors on the individual pupil's progress.
15. Supervises pupil's in out-of-classroom activities during the assigned working day.
16. Performs basic attendance accounting and business services as required.
17. Shares in the sponsorship of student activities and participates in faculty committees.
18. May plan and coordinate the work of aides, teacher assistants, or other para-professionals.