Job Description
MOORE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Job Title: **Physical Therapist**

Qualifications:

Credentials: Registered Physical Therapist and licensed by the State of Oklahoma; Certificate by State School Board Teaching Certificate

Education: B.S. in Physical Therapy

Training/Experience Required: Two years of directly related experience in pediatric or public-school setting. Completion of 2–12-week field rotations

Special Skills, Knowledge, Abilities:
Communication Skills (oral, written, or business): Basic communication skills to exchange information, give/receive clear instructions and respond to inquiries. Includes filling out forms.

Reading and Interpreting: Reads and interprets written or printed materials such as medical records/charts, diagrams, instruction material.

Tools and Equipment Usage: Uses specialized equipment with expertise acquired through extensive experience and/or training.

Job Goal (Purpose of Position): Performs professional level duties under minimal supervision to improve or maintain the student's level of motor functioning to facilitate optimal learning through the identification, evaluation and execution of educationally, therapeutic physical therapy program.

Contact with Others: An incumbent in this position has regular contact by telephone or in-person with other staff members, medical community, and public to determine actual information needed and to assist with developing and implementing IEPs.

Other Performance Measures: Knowledge of subject matter; cares for and effectively assists students with special concerns; establishes guidelines for effective learner/treatment objectives; ensures students are acquiring skills and knowledge to apply principles, theories and other learning; properly monitors student progress.

Contributes to effectiveness/quality of district programs; keeps accurate records, reports, etc. pursuant to district policy; actively supports and looks for ways to improve the quality of customer service as provided by the district; cooperates with other district personnel to improve the quality of education; when serving on committees, maintains an attitude of constructive/supportive behavioral feedback and input to improve the quality of service; continues to be involved in personal growth and development.

Essential Job Functions (Performance Responsibilities):
1. Assists in the identification of students through screenings and the initial referral for physical therapy services.

2. Performs assessment and evaluation; makes recommendations for intervention and acts as an IEP eligibility team member. Prepares or assists in writing IEPs.

3. Provides direct and indirect physical therapy services.

4. May supervise PT Assistant's therapy programs.

5. Consults with classroom staff, other service providers, parents, and medical personnel regarding the therapeutic management of students.

6. Provides written documentation of evaluation, assessment, recommendation, current progress and home programs.

7. Provides in-service programs for school personnel regarding issues included in the realm of physical therapy (i.e. transfer techniques, body mechanics, etc.).

8. Attends workshops and continuing education courses to grow in knowledge and understanding of the disabled child in the public-school setting.

9. Performs other duties as assigned.

Supervision exercised: An incumbent does not directly supervise other staff members.

Site: Various

Reports To: Director of Special Services/Principal

Physical/Mental Requirements and Working Conditions:
In a workday, the employee performs frequent bending/stooping; squatting/crouching; crawling/kneeling; and pushing and pulling. Employee's job requires frequent carrying/lifting of up to 50 pounds to transfer student and carrying equipment for treatment sessions to various sites. Employee must possess manual dexterity/visual ability to operate vehicle and other equipment/machines effectively. Employee must possess hearing/speaking ability to communicate with staff, parents, etc. Employee must use due concern to prevent the spread of infection due to equipment and physical therapies.

Terms of Employment: In compliance with Negotiated Contract and/or State Law

Salary: To be established by the Board

Evaluation: Performance of this job will be evaluated in accordance with Board policy

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