## Foresthill Union School District

# LANGUAGE, SPEECH, AND HEARING SPECIALIST

### ORGANIZATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

A Language, Speech, and Hearing Specialist is responsible to the Director of Special Education and the District Superintendent.

### **DEFINITION**

A specialist in this classification teaches individuals with communication disabilities, providing a program and instruction to promote cognitive; academic; communication and language; behavioral and social; and physical development.

### **DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS**

This specialist must possess a valid California Credential authorizing the holder to provide specialized services to students with communication disabilities.

### **EXAMPLES OF DUTIES**

Screen students and accept referrals in accordance with established program procedures: Diagnose and program instruction for individual learners: provide instruction to individuals and groups of students; plan, administer, and interpret student evaluations, preparing written reports as required; develop and maintain positive working relationships with parents, guardians, and significant others; meet with parents on a regular basis to review student progress and work on individual educational-related needs; work closely with other members of the program staff to develop and maintain curriculum and standards; coordinate transition plans for students moving to other environments; work cooperatively with outside agencies providing services to the student and family; participate in professional growth activities such as conferences, classes, staff meetings and visitations; schedule and maintain individual and group therapy programs in accordance with student needs and IEPs; provide training, direction and supervision for assigned ancillary staff; make and/or recommend appropriate environmental modifications needed to facilitate students' educational experiences; requisition materials and supplies in a timely manner; Maintain attendance accounting, submitting this and other required reports in a timely fashion; comply with the rules and regulations set forth in the California Education Code; Title V; Procedures and Policies of the Foresthill Union School District.

# REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITY

### Knowledge of:

Subject area and current instructional methodologies, technology, and techniques associated with the communicatively disabled child.

## Ability to:

Teach students in a wide variety of levels and age ranges.

Work effectively with parents, community and education colleagues in and outside the program. Function as a positive, contributing member of an educational team.

Familiarity with alternate and augmentative communication systems.

Skill in administration, analysis, and interpretation of a wide range of assessment measures.

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## **DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS**

Professional training and paid or volunteer experience working with individuals with disabilities. Current adult and child CPR card.

Current first aid card.

Fluency in manually coded English and/or American Sign Language.

National certification in ASHA and CCC.

State license.

Completion of clinical fellowship year. (Candidates may be considered.)

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Current California teaching credential authorizing specialized services to the identified student population.

Valid California automobile operator's license.

# **MEDICAL CATEGORY II**

(Moderate Physical Effort)

- 1. Position requires no extraordinary physical strength or qualifications.
- 2. Work assignments are normally located in a work environment with no unusual physical requirements or environmental conditions. Duties only require light physical functions.
- 3. Lifting 25 pounds maximum or carrying any object weighing up to 15 pounds.

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