



# Northside Independent School District

## DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

JOB POSTING NUMBER: P1009110

### JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

#### AUTISM SPECIALIST

#### Special Education Department

**Closing Date: November 9, 2009**

#### JOB DESCRIPTION

The Autism Specialist, under the supervision of the Area Special Education Coordinator for the Autism Program, will provide support to elementary and secondary students with autism spectrum disorders. The specialist will be considered a member of the campus team and will work in a cooperative supportive role by offering suggestions on a variety of learning and behavioral methodologies.

#### EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's Degree
- Master's Degree preferred
- Special Education Certification
- 3 years teaching experience in Special Education
- Knowledge or experience with Autism or moderate to severe disabilities preferred
- External candidate must have satisfactory outcome of fingerprinting check. Non-refundable fee (approximately \$50.00) paid by employee

#### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Assist in the development and implementation of curriculum and instruction for students with autism.
2. Provide inservice training and staff development for teachers and staff.
3. Observe students with autism and make recommendations to teachers and staff on effective instructional and behavioral strategies.
4. Attend staffings and ARD committee meetings to facilitate effective student programming.
5. Keep the Area Coordinators of Special Education fully informed with respect to student and classroom needs at assigned campuses.
6. Assist campuses with the Parent and In-Home Training Needs Assessment and the completion of the IEP supplement for Students with Autism.
7. Screen referred students to determine if further evaluation by PSD is needed for possible autism eligibility.
8. Demonstrate a high ability to communicate orally and in writing.
9. Attend training and inservices to stay current on the latest research and methodologies in working with students with autism.
10. Direct instruction of students at campuses may be required.
11. Perform other duties that may be assigned by the Autism Area Special Education Coordinator or the Autism Lead Teachers.

#### WORKING CONDITIONS

Maintain emotional control under stress. Frequent standing, stooping, bending, kneeling, pushing, and pulling. Move small stacks of textbooks, media equipment, desks, and other classroom or adaptive equipment. May be required to lift and position students with physical disabilities; control behavior through physical restraint; and assist nonambulatory students. Exposure to biological hazards.

#### TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT

**SALARY:** Teacher Salary

**WORK DAYS:** 193

**TYPE OF ASSIGNMENT:** Full-Time, Exempt

For consideration, interested persons and NISD Classified/Auxiliary personnel must complete a Professional Online Application at [www.nisd.net/hr](http://www.nisd.net/hr), and submit a Letter of Intent form and resume. NISD Professional personnel need only submit the Letter of Intent form and resume. Submit your Letter of Intent form and resume, no later than the closing date, to:

Northside ISD - Human Resources Department  
5617 Grissom Road  
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