SCHOOL NURSE - SPECIAL EDUCATION

The School Nurse - Special Education is responsible for a program of health services in which diligent care is given to the health and physical development of students in special education classes and students with special-needs accommodation. The nurse is responsible to the Assistant Superintendent, Education and Assessment Services.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

The School Nurse - Special Education will:

- 1. Assist in the identification and placement of pupils with exceptional needs, including the completion of developmental histories.
- 2. Serve as a resource to each school's IEP team.
- 3. Interpret to teachers' recommendations for adapting educational programs relating to individuals with exceptional needs.
- 4. Serve as a consultant to school staff members in regard to the health needs of pupils in special education programs.
- 5. Make referrals and follow-up on basis of identified hearing, vision problems, and other physical disorders.
- 6. May serve as a member of the District Safety Committee.
- 7. Conduct inservice training activities for all employees of the District relating to health services provided to pupils in special education programs.
- 8. Serve as liaison between physicians in the community and District staff members concerning health problems of students receiving services.
- 9. See that adequate health records are obtained and periodically reviewed for evaluation and ongoing assessment for services to be rendered.
- 10. Supervise implementation of medical recommendations for each student receiving services.
- 11. Make recommendations to the local campus administrator concerning any necessary addition to or modification of curriculum and/or school facilities as necessitated by the pupils with exceptional needs.
- 12. Function as a curricular and instructional resource person to school staff members involved with special education pupils.

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- 13. Work in close cooperation with the Orange County Health Department and other health and welfare agencies on such programs that may be of benefit to school staff members, parents, or students receiving services.
- 14. Train, supervise, and monitor health-related tasks carried out by unlicensed staff members.
- 15. Perform such other professional duties as may be designated by the Assistant Superintendent, Education and Assessment Services.
- 16. Coordinate vision and hearing screening.