

Special Education Teacher - OJ DeJonge Middle School

This full-time teaching position will include duties as a resource room teacher and will focus on the instruction of mathematics for students identified as needing special education support.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Serve as case manager for a caseload of students receiving special education services.

- Conduct IEP meetings and complete IEP paperwork in accordance with Michigan special education and IDEA rules.
- Plan, prepare, and deliver lesson plans and instructional materials that facilitate learning for middle level students using the Michigan standards for mathematics and the district-approved curriculum to drive instructional decisions.
- Collaborate with teachers within the structure of a Professional Learning Community to enhance curriculum, instruction, and assessment.
- Use relevant technology, including the development of learning modules in the Canvas Learning Management System, to support and differentiate instruction and engage students in the learning process.
- Establish a classroom structure that values positive relationships and supports the Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports system.
- Communicate necessary information regularly to students, colleagues, and parents regarding student progress and needs.
- Establish and communicate clear objectives for all learning activities.

Additional Qualifications: Qualified candidate should skillfully demonstrate the following competencies:

- The strong desire and ability to build meaningful, caring relationships with students.
- The skill and willingness to leverage the ASCD Whole Child model to ensure that students' social, emotional, nutritional and health needs are addressed.
- The ability to collaboratively create and execute clear, logical instructional plans that produce strong results in student learning.
- The ability to integrate 21st Century competencies such as technology literacy, collaboration, communication, critical thinking and problem solving, goal setting, ethical citizenship, and personal accountability in curriculum.
- The capacity to create a system of ongoing data collection and analysis to inform a tiered intervention system.
- The capacity to align curriculum, instruction and assessments while responding to individual needs of students.

Required Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree (or higher) in Education
- Valid Michigan Teaching Certificate in Special Education
 - SM (Learning Disabilities) or SE (Emotional Impairment) preferred
- Valid state licensing to meet Highly Qualified requirements

Apply in writing with a letter of interest, resume, copies of certification, transcripts and three letters of recommendation to Mr. Michael Hart, Principal, OJ DeJonge Middle School, Ludington Area School District, 809 E Tinkham Avenue, Ludington MI 49431. Application materials should be submitted as one (1) PDF attachment to: mhart@lasd.net.