RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

CLASS TITLE: STUDENT HEALTH CARE SPECIALIST (Range 30)

BASIC FUNCTION:

Under the supervision of a credentialed school nurse, assists credentialed school nurses in providing physical care for students with severe health needs and/or severe disabilities and participates in maintaining student health records.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES:

Assists students who are in need of specialized health care procedures. E

Provides clinical care for students who have been identified as needing specialized health care procedures. E

Performs specific procedures such as catheterizations, tube feedings, suctioning and other specialized health care procedures. E

Monitors students for changes in health status. E

Administers injections. *E*

Maintains support in dosage and schedule of administration of medicines. E

Works cooperatively with the school staff and the nursing personnel to provide health care as specified. E

Remains current on student status. E

Communicates with the District nurses to assure that there is full legal compliance and performs related duties as assigned within the scope of practice for a Licensed Vocational Nurse. *E*

Other duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

KNOWLEDGE OF:

Health and medical assessments;

Special health needs of disabled children;

Procedures used in maintaining standardized health protocols for implementing health care;

Basic anatomy and physiology;

Potential side effects of medication given to children with exceptional needs.

Current information on communicable diseases and health concerns.

How to lift and position persons with limited self ambulation.

ABILITY TO:

Care for the medical/physical needs of students with severe health needs and /or severe disabilities.

Administer medication and injections under direction of the credentialed school nurse.

Perform simple medical record keeping.

Understand and carry out oral and written directions from the credentialed school nurse.

Lift up to 50 pounds and perform physical duties related to children.

Communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.

Establish and maintain cooperative-working relationships with those contacted in the course of work

Ability to travel to various school sites within district and perform a wide variety of nursing duties.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Any combination equivalent to graduation from an accredited Vocational Nurses Training program with a current license and one year related experience.

LICENSES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

A current Vocational Nurse License;

A current American Red Cross or American Heart Association CPR certificate, which includes infants, children and adults or an acceptable equivalent;

A valid California driver's license.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

ENVIRONMENT:

Indoor and outdoor environment on school campuses.

Driving a vehicle to conduct work.

PHYSICAL ABILITIES:

Hearing and speaking to exchange information and make presentations.

Seeing to monitor students, read and prepare referrals, records and reports.

Sitting or standing for extended periods of time.

Dexterity of hands and fingers to manipulate specialized apparatus.

Lifting heavy equipment and students.

Pushing wheelchairs.

Bending at the waist, kneeling or crouching.