PLAYGROUND ASSISTANT

DEFINITION

Under supervision, assist elementary school staff in the safety and well-being of students before school, during noon-time eating, and playground activity; monitoring designated areas on an assigned school campus and perform related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Monitor student activities on the playground, in eating areas, hallways, restrooms, and in areas adjacent to the buildings. Monitor campus to deter and prevent inappropriate behaviors and eliminate potential safety hazards. Maintain appropriate student behavior per established school policies, procedures, and student conduct code; enforce established school regulations; report violations of school rules or illegal actions to administrators. Ensure that no unauthorized persons are on the school grounds during lunch recess and that students do not leave the grounds during that time without permission. Assist students resolve minor conflicts on the playground; respond to emergency situations.

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of

Behavior modification strategies and techniques; acceptable methods used in controlling students in lunch recess situations; safe campus supervision methods and procedures; and safety rules and regulations.

Ability to

Enforce all rules and regulations pertaining to campus control and security; maintain composure under stressful situations; perform effectively and assertively in situations requiring tact, diplomacy and good judgment; communicate effectively in oral and written language, particularly with students; understand and follow oral and written directions; establish and maintain cooperative working relationships.

Experience

Experience working with school age children preferred.

Education

Equivalent to the completion of the twelfth grade.

Physical Performance Requirements

Occasional lifting of less than 20 pounds. Frequent standing, walking, with some twisting, bending, stooping, and squatting. Indoor and outdoor work environment.

Licenses

Possession of a valid and appropriate California Driver's License, if required.

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