#### CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT San Juan Capistrano, California

### NUTRITION SPECIALIST

### **DEFINITION**

Under direction of the Director II, Food and Nutrition Services, the Nutrition Specialist supports the educational programs of the District by coordinating and implementing a District-wide comprehensive nutrition program.

### EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to this classification.

- 1. Plan, organize and implement the activities of the District's nutritional program, ensuring compliance with federal and state laws and regulations.
- 2. Coordinate and implement a variety marketing strategies for Food and Nutrition Services to promote customer participation.
- 3. Provide nutritional guidance to students, parents and staff members.
- 4. Promote public health and nutritional education.
- 5. Plan school meals ensuring nutritional needs of students are met.
- 6. Research, prepare and submit grant applications for related nutrition program funding.
- 7. Develop and coordinate youth advisory council activities and collaborate with Food and Nutrition Operation Managers for implementation.
- 8. Collaborate with the District's Communications office to promote nutrition services.
- 9. Review, analyze and monitor state and federal regulations and proposed legislation relative to school nutrition programs
- 10. Participate in the formation and implementation of new and revised government standards and regulations, district policies, and guidelines for nutritional programs.
- 11. Evaluate, supervise and counsel members of classified staff to improve employee performance ensuring staff adhere to District, state and federal professional standards.
- 12. Prepare and maintain a variety of reports, records and files related to assigned activities and personnel.
- 13. Participate in personnel management systems, including the recruitment, selection, retention and separation of personnel.
- 14. Attend professional learning and conference opportunities regarding District business and other topics relevant to this position, and other professional meetings.

## QUALIFICATIONS

**Knowledge of:** Applicable sections of the California State Education Code and other applicable laws and collective bargaining agreements; current laws and regulations relative to National School Lunch, School Breakfast and Summer Meal Programs; advanced principles of nutrition analysis and related dietary guidelines; practices and procedures of efficient organization and supervision; practices, procedures, techniques, and strategies for determining operational effectiveness; principles and practices of supervision and training; result and performance evaluation techniques pertaining to program and personnel performance effectiveness; human

# **QUALIFICATIONS (Continued)**

relations, conflict resolution strategies and team building principles and techniques; record keeping and report preparation techniques; effective oral and written communication skills; knowledge of local, state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to school nutrition; methods of adjusting recipes; health and safety regulations; proper equipment utilization, maintenance and troubleshooting; computer systems and related software applications; principles, procedures, methods, and strategies of communication and marketing.

Ability to: Read, interpret, apply, and explain rules, regulations, policies, and procedures; establish, maintain and nurture professional relationships with parents, community members, students, management, colleagues, staff and school related outside agencies; analyze and evaluate data for specific use; demonstrate organizational, time management, analytical and problem solving skills; communicate concisely and effectively both orally and in writing using tact and diplomacy; understand and carry out oral and written instructions; use interpersonal skills with tact, patience and courtesy; maintain confidentiality; prioritize workload and conflicting demands; establish and maintain records; plan and organize special events and activities; act as a strong team player with interpersonal, marketing and communication skills; independently gather information and research; organize work while meeting schedules, timelines and deadlines; maintain records and prepare reports; perform multiple tasks independently in an efficient manner; comply with the District's customer service standards, as outlined in Board Policy.

**Education:** Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in a related field

**Experience:** One year of experience performing analysis of nutritional content and menu planning.

**License/Certificate Requirement:** Valid California Driver's License; Valid California Food Safety Certificate; Food Handler's certificate; Registered Dietitian certificate