FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
POSITION DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Teacher, Social Sciences
       Secondary
REPORTS TO: Principal

DEPARTMENT: School Site
CLASSIFICATION: Certificated

WORK YEAR: 183 Days
SALARY: Regular Teacher Salary

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

California credential authorizing instruction in social science at the secondary level

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

Knowledge of and ability to implement the subject matter, philosophical, social, and educational concepts relative to the duties and responsibilities listed on this job description

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

As a Director of Learning
1. Teach courses in social studies: History, Geography, American Government, Political Science and Humanities according to courses of study as adopted by the Board of Education. Conduct other appropriate learning activities within the social science field
2. Instruct students in citizenship, basic communication skills, and other general elements of the course of study
3. Develop a balanced social studies program involving factual background material, material on current events, discussion time, and laboratory experiences appropriate to social sciences; other suitable activities designed to encourage pupils to develop skills and attitudes, draw conclusions, achieve improved interpersonal relationships, and make value judgments based on scientific methods of inquiry
4. Provide a variety of instructional methods to adapt the curriculum to needs of students with varying intellectual abilities, attitudes, and cultural backgrounds
5. Develop knowledge of the purpose, structure, and operation of the American governmental and economic system, and the rights and responsibilities of American citizenship
6. Develop knowledge of political and economic systems of other nations and their influence on personal freedom, education, and living standards of the people in those nations
7. Develop knowledge respect, and understanding of cultural groups throughout the world and emphasize the need for international cooperation
8. Develop an understanding of the contributions of minority racial, religious, and political groups to American culture, and the role of minorities in our present world
9. Encourage students to become aware of the complexity and inter-relations of local, state, national, and world problems
10. Select book, instructional aids, instructional supplies, resource speakers, field trips, and other social science activities

Relationships
1. Participate in curriculum and other developmental programs within the school or assignment and/or on a District level
2. Plan and coordinate the work of aides, teacher assistants, or other paraprofessionals
3. Communicate with parents to discuss the individual student progress
4. Teacher should be knowledgeable about affairs and organizations

Professional Attitude, Responsibility, and Participation
1. Maintain professional competence through participation in inservice educational activities provided by the District and in self-selected professional growth activities
2. May adequately teach students of different backgrounds and levels of ability

Duties and responsibilities may be added, deleted or changed at any time at the discretion of management

ACCOUNTABILITY:

Person to whom responsible: Site Administrator
Evaluator: Site Administrator
Persons responsible to Teacher, Social Sciences, Secondary: Those designated by Site Administrator

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