Teaching Assistants – IL

Special Education Services, a member of The Menta Group, offers elementary, middle, and high school programming to special education students residing in the mid-state Illinois and the Chicago metro area; and the Maricopa and Pinal County areas of Arizona. Elementary and middle school curricula emphasize real-world, community-based learning. The high school curriculum emphasizes a transition to the adult world of independent living including the work environment. Classrooms are designed to be active learning environments where young people have the opportunity to experience educational and behavioral success on a regular basis.

Each school provides an enriched educational environment for students in grades K – 12. The bright hallways and large classrooms are ideal for active learning and the school’s curriculum promotes positive growth and development. Both regular and special education students benefit from the school’s staff of committed educators and clinicians. Educational options are flexible, ensuring that the individual needs of each student can be addressed.

Duties of the Teacher Assistant consist of:
• Lead or co-teach a class of students with behavior/emotional/social/learning disorders.
• Provide behavior support in self-contained classroom.
• Prepare and adapt materials for use in the classroom.
• Maintain classroom order, safety and materials.
• Communicate behavioral concerns of students to appropriate staff.
• Implement and maintain behavioral program policies and data.
• Attend all staff meetings and in-service training as requested.

Qualifications:
State Certified Paraprofessional preferred.
College Associates Degree/two years college classes.
High School Diploma or GED.
Ability to obtain CPI Certification.
At least 23 years of age.
Previous experience working with special needs children.
Must be able to lift at least 50 lbs.
Clean driving record and must be able to drive student van.

This position offers an access to medical, dental, vision plans, 403(b), sick pay, holiday pay, and personal/vacation days. The salary range is comparable for the position and area, depending upon certification and qualifications.
All of these positions are described in job postings at our web site. Each program has an informational web page and this allows you to have more direct contact with the program staff.

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