

REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE (SCHOOL)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is a professional nursing position involving responsibility for giving care to students and for performing related nursing services requiring judgment and skill. The work is performed under the general direction of a School Physician or other higher level health care professional. Supervision may be exercised over the work of clerical assistants. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: The typical work activities listed below, while providing representative examples of the variety of work assignments in the title, do not describe any individual position. Incumbents in this title may perform some or all of the following, as well as other related activities not described.

Assists the School Physician or other higher level health care professional in physical, visual and auditory screening examinations of students and employees;

Administers medication prescribed by students' physician;

Administers first aid and emergency treatment to students and employees;

Assists at school immunization clinics;

Arranges to transport sick or injured students or employees to hospital, home, doctor's or dentist's office in cases of emergency;

Inspects the school plant, playground and cafeteria and reports on general safety and sanitary conditions;

Orders, inventories and oversees the storage of first aid and health related supplies and equipment;

Responsible for obtaining all pertinent information concerning students' health history;

Prepares and maintains complete and accurate records and reports relating to the health of students;

Consults with, and advises, appropriate staff concerning a variety of health issues;

May contact Department of Social Services regarding suspected child abuse or neglect;

May counsel parents regarding health needs of students;

May make referrals if follow up medical problems exist;

May review applications for free and reduced lunch programs and provide recommendations to appropriate administrative personnel.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of nursing principles and techniques and their relation to medical practices and skill in their application; working knowledge of materia/medica, dietetics, sanitation and personal hygiene; skill in the application of nursing techniques and practices; ability to understand and follow technical oral and written instructions; ability to maintain records and prepare reports; ability to get along well with students, teachers, parents and others; ability to carry out successfully the measures prescribed; ability to plan and supervise the work of sub-professional and non-technical personnel; a high degree of confidentiality; good powers of observation; mental alertness; firmness; initiative; cheerfulness; patience; emotional stability; good moral character; tact and courtesy; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Possession of a license and current registration issued by the State of New York to practice as a Registered Professional Nurse.

ULSTER COUNTY
5510 RPN SCHOOL
Classification: Non-Competitive
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