

Job Title: School Security Officer
Reports to: Director of Student Safety & Security
Work Schedule: Up to 8.00 hours per day, 183 days per year
Salary: Per Service Employees International Union Local 925 10-Month Employee negotiated salary schedule

Position Summary:

This position is responsible for supervising and monitoring student behavior, mediating disputes, assisting with investigations, participating in incident prevention and apprehension as required, and patrolling campuses and parking lots on school property as student activities demand.

Minimum Qualifications:

- High School Diploma or equivalent
- Right Response training to be maintained for the duration of this job (obtain within 30 days of hire date – district provided)
- Valid Washington State Driver's License maintained for the duration of this job
- Experience and/or training with cultural, ethnic, and language diversity preferred
- Successful Washington State Patrol and Federal Bureau of Investigation Fingerprint Clearance
- Proof of Immunization (if born 1/1/57 or later)
- I-9 Employment Eligibility in compliance with the Immigrations Reform and Control Act
- Completion of all district-required training within thirty (30) calendar days from hire date

Essential Job Functions:

This list of essential job functions is not exhaustive and may be supplemented as necessary. Depending upon individual assignment, the employee may perform all or a combination of several of the following duties:

- Patrol and supervise campus to ensure personal/property protections
- Assist building administrators with keeping unauthorized visitors from buildings, grounds, and hallways; report unauthorized visitors to administrator; keep hallways and grounds clear of unauthorized students during regularly scheduled class periods
- Assist in locker/student searches for weapons/drugs/contraband; investigate minor thefts, vandalism, drug-related incidents, and other disturbances and refer to administrator for further investigation for record keeping purposes
- Conduct security investigations and provide security at other school facilities or functions as directed
- Coordinate the apprehension of students who violate district rules and civil laws, provide assistance to law enforcement and other public service agency representatives who are participating in the apprehension of student violators as required, and testify in court of law when directed
- Apprehend individuals who violate laws, ordinances, and/or board policies on school property or at school activities/events
- Enforce district tobacco-free policy, drug, and alcohol policies
- Evaluate and assess school disturbances with the assistance and advice of other school personnel
- Keep detailed records, prepare and submit reports as needed, and prepare trespass notices
- Establish and maintain effective liaison with appropriate police and fire agencies
- Keep informed of current security/law enforcement techniques
- Maintain updated knowledge on school policies and procedures that affect this position
- Comply with district safety rules and regulations
- Assist in all emergency situations according to district emergency preparedness plan
- Maintain consistent presence at assigned worksite and regular work hours
- Professionally interact with students, staff, and public
- Comply with all district policies and procedures
- Perform related duties as assigned

Desired Skills:

- Effective oral and written communications
- Knowledge of law enforcement procedures
- Knowledge of criminal law, search and seizure procedures, and the legal process
- Knowledge of safety rules, regulations, district security policies and procedures

- Ability to remain flexible to changes in assignments or situations
- Ability to operate a computer and learn the use of specific software programs
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with staff, students, and parents in a multi-ethnic environment
- Ability to deal with special needs students in a firm compassionate manner
- Ability to drive an automobile
- Ability to respond calmly and quickly in dangerous situations
- Ability to evaluate, control, investigate, and secure crime and fire scenes before arrival of law enforcement or fire department
- Ability to maintain control of tense and potentially dangerous situations
- Ability to de-escalate potential violent behavior and to mediate disputes
- Ability to investigate criminal activity
- Ability to work as a team member with building administrators
- Ability and willingness to learn effective behavior management techniques
- Ability to monitor and correct student behavior
- Ability to oversee student activities and be fair and consistent
- Skill in making effective, quick decisions
- Ability to follow and give instruction

Work Environment:

Work is performed in a variety of locations including within district buildings and outdoors. Employee may be required to work outdoors in inclement weather for long periods of time, to deal with a wide range of student behaviors which may include angry or distraught students, to deal with a wide range of conditions which require some lifting and/or restraining of students, and to stand or sit for prolonged periods of time. The hours of work may vary to include after-school, evening, and off-campus school activities such as sporting events, field trips, school-sponsored social activities, and transportation of school personnel, parents, and students.

Evaluation:

This position shall be evaluated periodically by the Director of Student Safety & Security pursuant to the currently established district procedures and evaluation criteria. The process shall include an evaluation of the employee's performance of the above essential job functions.

Classification History:

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