



**District OR-1: Home of the Panthers!**  
**Job Description: High School Science Teacher**  
**Updated: January 2021**

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**JOB TITLE: HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE TEACHER**

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- Bachelor's Degree from an accredited university or college
- Valid Nebraska Certificate with appropriate endorsement in subject area.
- Willingness to complete required training in accordance with district guidelines
- Successful teaching and/or practice teaching experience
- Such alternatives to the above qualifications as the Board of Education may find appropriate
- Successfully pass district background check

**REPORTS TO: Building Principal**

**RECEIVES GUIDANCE FROM: Building Principal**

**JOB GOAL:** To organize and facilitate a productive science based secondary learning environment which provides opportunities and access for students to: foster independent learning skills, understand and demonstrate skills and knowledge in the areas of science, develop effective communication skills, foster an appreciation of our culture and heritage, promote a positive classroom climate, build effective relationships, and role model respect for the rights of others. The classroom teacher shall assist the student in his/her development as a mature, able and responsible adult.

**TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:** Nine-month year or as established by the Board of Education

**EVALUATION:** Performance of this job will be evaluated annually in accordance with the provisions of the district's Personnel Evaluation Policy

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES:**

- Consistent and punctual "on site" attendance at the worksite is an essential job function
- Implements Board policy regarding education philosophy/curriculum under the direction of the administration through planning, organizing, managing, interacting with students; establishing rapport with students, staff, parents and community, and continuing professional development
- Effectively utilizes the district instructional model
- Implements the disciplinary procedures of the district
- Implements age appropriate instructional practices and applies "best practices" in the areas of science to the educational environment according to established curriculum standards.
- Supervises behavior in the school environment to maintain the safety and well being of the students and staff
- Keeps accurate records of attendance, absences and tardies
- Collaborates well with others
- Uses an appropriate variety of instructional strategies
- Makes effective use of audio-visual materials and aids



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- Communicates positive support of students in their educational development
- Recognizes the exemplary influence of the educator over the student
- Relates with staff, parents and community stakeholders through positive professional cooperation
- Supervises hallways, cafeteria, study halls, and other assignments on a scheduled basis as directed.

**INTERPERSONAL SKILLS:**

- Student behavior does not detract from the effective learning climate in the classroom
- Teacher exhibits patience, openness, and concern in dealing with students
- Rapport within and outside the classroom evidences mutual respect between the students and teacher
- Teacher exhibits tact and self-control in dealing with parents
- Teacher accepts feedback from administrators with self reflection and a growth mindset

**OCCASIONAL:**

- Periodically issues communication forms and grade reports
- Suggests positive recommendations for the continuing review and development of curriculum
- Remains current with professional training and shows evidence of regular professional growth
- Actively participates at scheduled staff meetings and serves on educational committees
- Assumes responsibility periodically for conferences with parents
- Recognizes the extra curriculum program as integral to the educational development of the child
- Performs other duties within the scope of employment and certification as assigned by the appropriate administrator

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS (*Intellectual, Sensory*):**

- Effective oral and written communication skills
- Skills in leadership, organization, problem solving and conflict resolution
- Skills in human relations; ability to deal with a variety of people
- Ability to work under stress
- Skills in assessment and evaluation

**WORK ENVIRONMENT/ CONDITIONS:**

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Ability to work varied hours as requested including early mornings and evenings on occasion.
- Ability to work in a smoke-free and drug-free work environment.

**PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Maintain physical condition appropriate to the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities which may include sitting or standing for extended periods of time.
- Strength, movement, auditory, taste/smell, and vision demands specific to the job.
- Manual dexterity to handle computer and phone requirements.