# **Reading Paraprofessional**

## **Primary Function**

To provide support to one or more students in reading enabling them to receive greater benefit from the instructional program.

### **Organizational Relationships**

The Reading Paraprofessional receives direction from the classroom teacher and reports to the building administration.

#### Qualifications

- Hold a valid State of Illinois teaching license (preferred), substitute license or NCLB Paraprofessional Approval
- Ability to understand and carry out oral and written directions
- Ability to visually supervise students, assess situations for safety concerns
- Ability to exercise sound judgment in making decision regarding the safety and welfare of students
- Ability to perform assigned duties and tasks with a minimum of direction
- Ability to maintain effective public, student and co-worker relationships
- Ability to physically move about the school building and playground
- Ability to lift and position students weighing up to 50 pounds using proper 1-man lift techniques
- Ability to lift and position students weighing more than 50 pounds using proper 2-man lift techniques
- Ability to speak, write, read and understand English
- Ability to participate in District 39 approved behavior management procedures, Crisis Prevention Institute training (CPI) and to apply training in crisis situations including student restraints as needed

### **Performance Responsibilities**

- 1. Reinforce or reteach reading and language arts concepts under the supervision of the Reading Specialist or classroom teacher.
- 2. Work with individuals or groups to reinforce skills of students based on their needs, interests or abilities.
- 3. Provide reading support for children who are at the remedial, developmental and/or enrichment levels.
- 4. Read to students, listen to students read, and participate in other forms of oral communication with students.
- 5. Maintain a high level of ethical behavior and confidentiality of information about students.
- 6. Deliver remedial programs with integrity and fidelity.
- 7. Administer, score, and record assessments and student work under teacher direction.
- 8. Attend district meetings for staff development and ongoing program coordination, when appropriate.
- 9. Perform other duties from time to time that may be assigned by the Building Administrator.

## **Terms of Employment**

184 work days. Salary and work year established by the Board of Education and the Support Council Agreement.

#### **Evaluation**

Performance will be evaluated in accordance with the Support Council Agreement.