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Job Description

Title:	Education Assistant - Special Needs
Reports to:	Deputy Head of Secondary
EBA/Award:	South Coast Baptist College Operational Agreement 2024
FTE:	FTE 0.6
Employment Type:	Contract – Terms 2 & 3, 2024

Position Summary

South Coast Baptist College seeks a dedicated Education Support Assistant for the secondary school, providing part-time support (3 days per week) during Terms 2 and 3, 2024. This role involves assisting students with special needs under the guidance of classroom teachers and school leadership, fostering inclusive learning environments and supporting the educational journey.

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Instructional Support:

- Supervise special needs students as directed by classroom teachers and school leadership.
- Prepare lessons and materials for individual and small group work.
- Care for students with special needs, both diagnosed and undiagnosed.
- Maintain regular communication with Learning Support Staff and classroom teachers.
- Provide feedback to teachers on student progress and behaviour.
- Assist with classroom management and reinforcement of lessons.
- Support students with emotional regulation and life skills acquisition.
- Implement behaviour management plans in consultation with teachers and professionals.
- Encourage student independence and talent development.
- Assist with the delivery and assessment of Curriculum Adjustment Plans (CAPs).
- Collaborate with occupational therapists, physiotherapists, and other specialists as required.
- Ensure compliance with school policies and procedures.
- Supervise students during in-school and out-of-school activities, including excursions and swimming lessons.
- Report any incidents of abuse or concerns promptly and appropriately.

Behaviour Management:

- Apply classroom management strategies to promote appropriate student behaviour.
- Show respect and dignity towards students and parents.
- Provide feedback to classroom teachers on behaviour management and follow-up.
- Build positive relationships with all students in the classroom.

Personal Qualities:

- Organized and professional in presentation.
- Creative and engaging teaching style, promoting inclusivity.
- Excellent collaborative skills for working with colleagues.
- Understanding of different learning styles and ability to differentiate instruction.



Selection Criteria

Essential:

- Certificate 4 in Education Support (CHC30812).
- Familiarity with diverse teaching and learning strategies.
- Effective communication skills with students and families.
- Commitment to building positive relationships within the school community.
- Understanding of the teacher's role as a role model.
- Adherence to occupational health and safety guidelines.

Desirable:

- Experience working with students with special needs.
- Knowledge of Autism Spectrum Disorder, Global Developmental Delay, or Language Delay.
- Creative and engaging teaching style.
- Collaborative skills for working effectively with colleagues.
- Understanding of different learning styles and differentiation techniques.

Other Duties:

- Attend all assigned classes according to the Education Assistant Timetable.
- Occasionally attend conferences and professional development seminars.
- Adhere to agreed-upon daily schedule.
- Fulfill additional responsibilities as directed by the Head of Secondary or school leadership.

General Requirements

- To have a personal faith and commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ.
- To attend Church on a regular basis and model Christian beliefs, behaviour and practices.
- To accept the College's Statement of Faith.
- Build co-operative and supportive relationships with the board, principal, staff, students and parents.
- Work to ensure personal best practice.
- Ensure that decision making is based on fact and is impartial and fair.
- Model the use of appropriate and proper channels of communication.
- Always act in the best interest of the College and its ethos.
- Working With Children Card.
- Contribute to a safe and healthy workplace by:
 - Following OH&S instructions and policies
 - · Reporting accidents and hazards
 - Generally caring for own safety and that of others, including volunteers, students, and parents.
 - First Aid certificate is desirable.

Other Matters



Note: This job description is comprehensive but not exhaustive, and duties may be varied at the discretion of the college in consultation with this role.

Position Held By:	
Signed:	
Date:	