KEPPEL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
VISUAL ARTS ELEMENTARY TEACHER K-8

DEFINITION:
Under the supervision of the principal, the Visual Arts Teacher will provide direct and inquiry-based instruction in the field of visual arts to students in grades K-8, supports the California Arts Music Content Standards, develops, organizes, and conducts a comprehensive visual arts education program in accordance with each student's abilities.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Teaches visual arts to students in grades K-8, provide individualized and small group instruction in order to adapt the curriculum to the needs of each student.
- Employs techniques and provides opportunities for learners to recognize, identify, and utilizes qualities in visual work within the Elements of Art and Principles of Design; provides instruction to students with an array of art media in the skills that enable learners to communicate ideas, images, symbols, and feelings in visual forms; utilize an array of media for expression.
- Plans a balanced educational program; develops weekly lesson plans and instructional materials; translates lesson plans into learning experiences to utilize the available time for instruction; provides appropriate, detailed instructions/plans for substitute teacher in event of absence.
- Establishes and maintains appropriate standards of student behavior.
- Presents and provides outreach events/shows and other art programs for assemblies, classroom demonstrations, and/or P.T.A programs.
- Identifies student needs and assists and cooperate with school and District personnel in assessing student needs; encourages students to develop individual artistic skills to the greatest extent possible; assists in the development of alternative solutions to individual educational planning, and in the adapting of curriculum offerings to meet individual educational needs.
- Establishes and maintains timely and effective communication with parents through a variety of means.
- Selects and requisitions appropriate media, books, instructional aids, and instructional supplies, and maintain required inventory records; maintains surveillance over district and school-owned art material and equipment in order to prevent loss or abuse; maintains and make minor adjustments to art supplies and resources.
- Maintains professional competence through participation in in-service educator activities provided by the district and/or self-selected professional growth activities; develops annual personal and professional goals, and involvement to improve professional practice; participates in faculty and/or District meetings and committees; participates cooperatively with the appropriate administrator to develop goals by which she/he will be evaluated in conformance with State and District guidelines.
- Performs other duties as assigned

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE:
Valid California Single Subject Teaching Credential (Arts)

Knowledge of:
- Methods, practices, theories, and standards pertinent to the specific assignment
- Basic instructional methods and techniques
- Skills aligned with grade-level practices
- Classroom management techniques and appropriate disciplinary actions
- Health and safety practice
- Correct English usage, grammar, spelling, punctuation, and vocabulary

Ability to:
- Provide effective instruction to small or large groups of students in a learning environment
- Monitor and discipline student behavior according to approved policies and procedures
- Understand and follow oral and written instructions
- Maintain a safe, clean, and orderly learning environment
- Learn the procedures, functions, and limitations of assigned duties
- Communicate effectively with children and adults
- Work well with students, school staff, parents, and others
- Exhibit strong interpersonal skills using tact, patience, and courtesy
- Exhibit strong organizational skills

- Operate instructional and office equipment, including computers and associated software
- Teach age-grade appropriate visual arts lessons that are pertinent to specific assignment

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:
While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to hear and speak to exchange information; see to observe students and perform assigned duties; walk, stand or sit for extended periods of time; possess dexterity of hand and fingers to operate assigned equipment; kneel, bend at the waist, and reach overhead, above the shoulders and horizontally to perform assigned duties; lift and carry light objects.