

**COUNTY OF ORANGE  
MUNICIPAL/SCHOOL  
JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION**

**CLASS TITLE:** NURSE PRACTITIONER

**TITLE #:** 1855

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** The work involves responsibility for the diagnosis of illness and physical conditions, provided such services are performed in accordance with school practice and school protocol. The incumbent of this position will assess the physical and psychosocial status of students by means of interview, health history, physical examination and diagnostic tests. The work is performed under the administration of a higher level administrator. Does related work as required.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

Evaluates test findings, makes assessments and initiates appropriate actions to facilitate the implementation of preventative and or therapeutic plans for the continuing health care needs of the student;

Performs routine physical examinations which shall include taking vital signs and blood pressure;

Diagnoses of illness and physical conditions discovered during routine examinations with referrals to the primary health provider;

Screens and evaluates findings for deficits in scoliosis, growth, etc;

Records, reviews and interprets medical and social history of students;

Initiates referrals to parents and school personnel for intervention, remediation and follow through;

Serves as a resource to school personnel within the directive of HIPPA;

Dispenses medication as required.

**FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

Thorough knowledge of nursing principles, practices and techniques; thorough knowledge of normal and abnormal signs and symptoms relating to physical and emotional health; thorough knowledge of nurse practitioner skills; thorough knowledge of medications and drugs, common dosages and their physical and psychological effects; thorough knowledge of medical terminology; skill in clinical nursing practices; ability to perform physical examinations and to assess and diagnose the physical and emotional condition of students; ability to recognize signs and symptoms associated with changes in the physical and emotional health of students and ability to respond appropriately; ability to explain or interpret instructions of a technical and professional nature to students, family or other personnel; ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing; ability to understand and empathize with the needs and concerns of others; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Possession of a current valid license to practice as a Registered Professional Nurse issued by New York State, possession of current certification issued by the New York State Education Department in a specialty area(s)\* to practice as a Nurse Practitioner and three (3) years of experience as a Nurse Practitioner.

**\*SPECIAL NOTE:** Part 64 of the NYS Commissioner of Education's Regulations lists the following as specialty areas: Acute Care, Adult Health, College Health, Community Health, Family Health, Gerontology, Holistic Care, Neonatology, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Oncology, Pediatrics, Palliative Care, Perinatology, Psychiatry, School Health and Women's Health.

**JURISDICTIONAL CLASSIFICATION:** Competitive

ADOPTED: 3/19/13 dp