

POSITION OPENING

12/14/09

POSITION TITLE: American Sign Language Teacher

LOCATION: Western PA School for the Deaf – Pittsburgh, PA

REPORTS TO: ASL Specialist and Principal

JOB DESCRIPTION: This is an exempt, full-time 187 day position. This position is designed to assist in the investigation and identification of an evaluation method for the ASL/English program assessing progress and gains. Survey current program and develop formal ASL/English curriculum. Assist in evaluating the expressive and receptive ASL skills of students. Tutor new students in ASL development as necessary. Assist in classrooms as a mentor for ASL support of deaf students. Provide weekly story telling sessions with Children's Center and Lower School classes as assigned by the Coordinator of ASL/Deaf Studies. Create story-telling videos to share with families. Provide instructional support for specific lessons related to ASL. Assist with Sign Language Proficiency Interviews (SLPI) and ratings.

**MINIMUM
QUALIFICATIONS:**

The minimum requirement for this position is a Bachelor's degree with PA Instructional I or Instructional II Certification in Hearing Impaired or a Certification in ASL willing to work towards Teacher of the Deaf certification at the master's level is preferred

Sign language skills of applicants will be rated using the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). Sign language skill level must be "Superior" at time of hire.

Act 34, FBI, and 151 Child Abuse clearances are required.

SALARY: Dependent on degree and experience, with full benefits including membership in the State's teacher retirement system, medical, dental, vision, and life insurance.

DEADLINE: Until filled

STARTING DATE: January 2010

**APPLICATION
PROCEDURE:**

Send letter of application and resume to:
Helen K. Shirey, Director of Human Resources
Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf
300 East Swissvale Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15218