

REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE (SCHOOL)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is a professional nursing position involving responsibility for giving care to students and performing related nursing services such as pupil health screening and notification of defects and communicable disease control requiring judgment and skills. This position differs from the certified position of School Nurse-Teacher in that there is no responsibility for either classroom instruction or guidance involved. Work is performed under the general direction of a School Medical Supervisor or School Physician. Supervision may be exercised over the work of clerical assistants. Performs related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Assists the School Physician in physical, visual and auditory screening examinations of students;  
Administers first aid and emergency treatment to students;  
Prepares and maintains health records for school authorities;  
Assists at school immunization clinics;  
Arranges to transport sick or injured students or employees to hospital, home, doctor's or dentist's office in cases of emergency;  
Inspects the school plant, playground and cafeteria and reports on general safety and sanitary conditions;  
Orders, inventories and oversees the storage of first aid and related health supplies and equipment;  
Consults with attendance personnel, staff members and school nurse-teachers concerning a variety of health factors related to non-attendance and communicable disease;  
Prepares records and reports as required;  
Performs a variety of related activities as required.

*Typical Work Activities are intended only as illustrations of possible types of work that might be appropriately assigned to an incumbent of this title. Work activities that do not appear above are not excluded as appropriate work assignments, as long as they can be reasonably understood to be within the logical limits of the job.*

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Good knowledge of nursing principles and techniques and their relation to medical practices and skill in their application; working knowledge of materia-medica, dietetics, sanitation and personal hygiene; skill in the application of nursing techniques and practices; ability to understand and follow technical, oral and written instructions; ability to keep records and make reports; ability to get along well with students, teachers, parents and others; ability to carry out successfully the measures prescribed; ability to plan and supervise the work of sub-professional and non-technical personnel.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Completion of an accredited course of training for Registered Nursing and possession of a license to practice as a Registered Professional Nurse in New York State at time of appointment and throughout employment.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS:

In accordance with the Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) legislation, Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000, and by the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, candidates for appointment in school districts must obtain clearance for employment from the State Education Department prior to employment based upon a fingerprint and criminal history background check.