

**CLARKSVILLE-MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM
CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE
JOB DESCRIPTION**

Job Title: Accountant – Business Affairs Analysis **Department:** Business Affairs

Grade **K**
H.P.D. **8**
D.P.Y. **260**

Job Description

Date Reviewed: August 2018

Reports To: Assistant Finance Director

Purpose of Job

The purpose of this job is to perform staff-level functions in a centralized accounting operation for a county wide school system using knowledge of governmental accounting principles and practices. Major areas of responsibility include reporting and analysis of per pupil expenditures by school location, preparation and analysis of benefits and insurance trust fund activity and other reconciliation and analysis projects as assigned.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

The following duties are normal for this job. These are not to be construed as exclusive or all-inclusive. Other duties may be required and assigned.

Assists the Assistant Finance Director in ensuring that accounting and payroll records are maintained accurately and in accordance with generally accepted governmental accounting standards. Maintains a knowledge of governmental accounting in order to perform duties to assist or back up other accountants within the department.

Calculates and reports the per pupil expenditures by school location to the State Department of Education as required.

Provides analysis for differences in per pupil expenditures at school locations and answers questions and provides communication as appropriate.

Ensures compliance with all federal and state reporting requirements.

Participates in year-end close out procedures by performing reconciliation and analysis of accounts and other duties as assigned and required during the closing process.

Consults with the Assistant Finance Director concerning problems with existing software applications and enhancements to enable the accounting and payroll operations to work more efficiently.

Develops, manages and reconciles employee benefit deduction spreadsheets by using various excel formulas to compare the insurance company's billing to the employee payroll deductions and configuring the difference between the 12 month billing cycle to the 10 month deduction cycle. Coordinates with the Benefits Section in the Human Resources Department to resolve discrepancies.

Performs monthly reconciliation of employee salary advances, and payroll deduction accounts.

Calculates matching health insurance benefits and insurance supplements to be paid to the Insurance Trust Fund. Provides payment information to the Account Technician II.

Prepares monthly insurance trust report information and analyzes information for insurance trust fund as required.

Prepares analysis and reconciliations of various accounts and programs as necessary.

Performs reconciliation and verification of data in payment of third party invoices for items such as school based health services and children in residential treatment facilities and provides to Finance Director for payment approval.

Reviews and approves personnel classification/payroll changes as it relates to the fiscal impact on the budget and ensures account codes are appropriate in accordance with the State Chart of Accounts.

Obtains and maintains a functioning knowledge of payroll system in order to support payroll during peak time periods.

Additional Job Functions

Performs other duties as required.

Minimum Training and Experience Required to Perform Essential Job Functions

A Bachelor's degree in accounting or in a related field with 24 semester hours of accounting coursework. Experience equivalent to three years or more in accounting. Any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience which provides the requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities for this job may be substituted.

KNOWLEDGE OF JOB

Has general knowledge of the policies, procedures, and activities of the School System and general office practices as they pertain to the performance of duties relating to the job of Accountant – Business Affairs Analysis. Has general knowledge of Business Office and general

office practices as necessary in the completion of daily responsibilities. Knows how to develop and administer operations and staff plans and objectives for the expedience and effectiveness of specific duties of the department. Knows how to keep abreast of any changes in policy, methods, computer operations, equipment needs, etc. as they pertain to departmental operations and activities. Is able to effectively communicate and interact with supervisors, members of the general public and all other groups involved in the activities of the department. Is able to assemble information and make written reports and documents in a concise, clear and effective manner. Has good organizational, human relations, and technical skills. Is able to use independent judgment and work with little direct supervision when necessary. Has the ability to comprehend, interpret, and apply regulations, procedures, and related information. Has comprehensive knowledge of the terminology, principles, and methods utilized within the department. Has the mathematical ability to handle required calculations. Is knowledgeable and proficient with computers. Is able to read, understand and interpret financial reports and related materials

(ADA) MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OR STANDARDS REQUIRED TO PERFORM ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS: Must be physically able to operate a variety of office machines, which includes a computer, printer, copy machine, calculator, telephone, scanner, etc. Must be able to use body members to work, move or carry objects or materials. Must be able to exert up to twenty pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to ten pounds of force frequently. Physical demand requirements are at levels of those for active work. Must be able to lift and/or carry weight of twenty to forty pounds.

DATA CONCEPTION: Requires the ability to compare and or judge the readily observable functional, technical, structural, or compositional characteristics (whether similar to or divergent from obvious standards) of data, people, or things.

INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION: Requires the ability of speaking and/or signaling people to convey or exchange financial and administrative information. Includes giving assignments and/or directions to co-workers or assistants.

LANGUAGE ABILITY: Requires the ability to read a variety of informational documentation, directions, instructions, and methods and procedures related to the job of Accountant. Requires the ability to write reports with proper format, punctuation, spelling and grammar, using all parts of speech. Requires the ability to speak with and before others with poise, voice control, and confidence using correct English and a well-modulated voice.

INTELLIGENCE: Requires the ability to learn and understand relatively basic principles and techniques; to make independent judgments in absence of supervision; to acquire knowledge of topics related to the job of Accountant – Business Affairs Analysis..

VERBAL APTITUDE: Requires the ability to record and deliver information to supervisors and officials; to explain procedures and policies; and to follow verbal and written instructions, guidelines and objectives.

NUMERICAL APTITUDE: Requires the ability to utilize mathematical formulas; add and subtract totals; multiply and divide; determine percentages; determine time and weight; and utilize statistical inference.

FORM/SPATIAL APTITUDE: Requires the ability to inspect items for proper length, width, and shape, visually with equipment.

MOTOR COORDINATION: Requires the ability to coordinate hands and eyes in using automated office equipment.

MANUAL DEXTERITY: Requires the ability to handle a variety of items, office equipment, control knobs, switches, etc. Must have the ability to use one hand for twisting or turning motion while coordinating other hand with different activities. Must have average levels of eye/hand/foot coordination.

COLOR DISCRIMINATION: May require the ability to differentiate colors and shades of color.

INTERPERSONAL TEMPERAMENT: Requires the ability to deal with people (i.e. staff, supervisors, general public, and officials) beyond giving and receiving instructions such as in interpreting departmental policies and procedures. Must be adaptable to performing under moderate stress when confronted with an emergency related to the job of Accountant – Business Affairs Analysis..

PHYSICAL COMMUNICATION: Requires the ability to talk and/or hear: (talking - expressing or exchanging ideas by means of spoken words). (Hearing - perceiving nature of sounds by ear).

ATTENDANCE: A regular and dependable level of attendance is an essential function for this position.

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Employee’s Signature

Supervisor’s Signature

Employee’s Munis Number

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