Los Angeles Unified School District - Job Opportunity

Job Posting Title
Braille Transcriber (Clerical)

Reference code
JP23-098-XA2

Minimum Salary
$ 30.97 Hourly

Maximum Salary
$ 37.82 Hourly

Application Open Date
11/17/2023

Application Close
07/31/2024

Information about LAUSD

We are LAUSD. We are at the forefront of innovation in public education, focused on a clear and inspiring vision of the future for all of our students as they venture forward on their journey as lifelong learners. Here, you will have the opportunity to exercise your potential in a role supporting the business of education. Our work directly contributes toward the goal of ensuring that our students graduate ready for the world – ready to thrive in college, career and life.

LAUSD is the second largest school district in the nation with an enrollment of nearly 575,000 students. We serve an area totaling 710 square miles, with over 1,190 schools and educational centers, and we employ over 74,000 individuals, making us one of the largest employers in our city.

This position is full time (8 hours per day) and E Basis (11 months).

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LAUSD’s Division of Special Education is currently seeking well-qualified candidates to fill Braille Transcriber positions.

The Special Education Division’s mission is to provide leadership, guidance, and support to the school community in order to maximize learning for all students within an inclusive environment so that each student will contribute to and benefit from our diverse society.

For more information about the Visual Impairment Program in LAUSD’s Division of Special Education, please visit:
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THE POSITION:
Candidates hired to fill our Braille Transcriber vacancy will work on an E-basis (11 month) calendar schedule, 8 hours per day. NOTE: This position is 100% in person. Qualified candidates will report to physical worksites.

A Braille Transcriber operates a braillewriter and a computer using braille transcription software, electronic braille embossers, scanners, and other related equipment to transcribe complex educational materials including literature, math, science, and foreign language into braille including books, class agendas, worksheets, and tests.

THE IDEAL CANDIDATE:
The ideal candidate for the Braille Transcriber position is someone who:

- Has the ability to multitask and prioritize
- Possesses a strong attention to detail
- Is dependable and reliable
- Is comfortable working in a team or independently
- Is Proficient in software programs such as Duxbury, Braille 2000, and MS Office
- Has prior experience using the internet for research and fact finding purposes

A Braille Transcriber will receive immediate supervision from a certificated administrator. Technical guidance is given to Instructional Aide (Braille) personnel.

BENEFITS:
Insurance: Paid premiums for your choice of several medical, dental, vision, and life insurance plans.

Retirement: Membership in the California Public Employee Retirement System (CalPERS).

Vacation: Two weeks of paid vacation to start. Three weeks after five years of year-round paid service.

Paid Holidays: Up to 13 days.

NOTE: Positions in this job classification may be offered on a 10 or 11 month basis - salary and paid time off for 10 or 11 month positions will be adjusted accordingly.

**Job Duties/Responsibilities**

TYPICAL DUTIES FOR THIS POSITION:

- Transcribes a wide variety of instructional materials into an appropriate media such as Unified English Braille or raised line drawings.

- Operates a braillewriter and a computer using braille transcription software, electronic braille embossers, scanners, and other related equipment to transcribe complex educational materials into appropriate formats including literature, math, science, and foreign language into braille including books, class agendas, worksheets, and tests.

- Coordinates with teachers and other certificated staff on materials that need to be transcribed.

- Adheres to the techniques, standards and procedures set forth by the Braille Authority of North America (BANA).

- Interprets pictures, graphs, and charts in a highly descriptive manner when transcribing books into braille.

- Proofreads and verifies accuracy, and edits transcribed materials and writings in specific Braille codes in a variety of mediums, including, paper and digital.

- Collates and binds Braille books and materials.

- Produces tactile pictures, graphs, maps, charts and other visuals using a computer, related peripherals and specialized software.

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- Serves as a technical resource to assist aides and teachers of the visually impaired seeking assistance in the use of Braille code and related tools and technologies

- Remains current in computer technology as it relates to braille production, and interfaces with the student's Braille-related assistive technology

- Maintains and organizes Braille files in a variety or mediums, including, paper and digital.

- May participate in the acquisition of printed braille materials, such as books, textbooks and instructional materials.

- May travel to various district sites to perform required duties.

- Performs related duties as assigned.

For a complete class description, please visit https://lausdjobs.org/, under >Employee Resources and select >Job Descriptions. Entrance requirements are representative of the minimum level of knowledge, skill, and/or abilities.

**Minimum Requirements**

**ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

- Education: Graduation from high school or evidence of equivalent educational proficiency AND one of the following;
  
  A Library of Congress certification as a Literary Braille Transcriber obtained on or after January 4, 2016,
  
  OR
  

- Experience: Two (2) years of paid or volunteer experience transcribing materials into literary Braille or Nemeth Code with at least one (1) year of the aforementioned utilizing the rules of Unified English Braille (UEB).

- Special: A Library of Congress certification in Literary Braille Proofreading or Nemeth Code of Mathematics is preferable.

*IMPORTANT NOTE: In order to qualify you need to meet the educational requirements. As such, you MUST upload your official high school diploma or evidence of equivalent educational proficiency AND*
either: a Library of Congress certification as a Braille Transcriber obtained on or after January 4, 2016 OR a Library of Congress certification as a Braille Transcriber obtained prior to January 4, 2016 AND a Letter of Proficiency in Unified English Braille (UEB) to your candidate profile, under “attachments.” We screen applications based on the minimum requirements and need to verify the educational requirement is met.

Candidates who have completed college or university course work at an institution in a country other than the United States must obtain a complete evaluation of foreign transcripts and degrees. Please be sure to request a “Detailed” evaluation report. The original of this degree evaluation must be presented.

For more information on Foreign Transcript Evaluation please visit https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/7876

**Employment Selection Process**

**EMPLOYMENT SELECTION PROCESS:**

The Tentative selection process may consist of one or more of the following:

1) The ability to transcribe formatted text into braille according to literacy braille code/rules using computer braille transcription software and six key entries.
2) The ability to proofread for correctness of a brailled document, AND
3) An interview session that will measure possession of the skill sets required of the job

After applications are reviewed and determined to meet the minimum qualifications, qualified candidates will move on to the next phases of our selection process.

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This is a competitive process as we anticipate a number of well qualified candidates for this recruitment. Please make sure that you describe in DETAIL your experience, education, and training that most closely relates to this position in the on-line application. In your application you may include a professional resume, but it will NOT be in lieu of a detailed application. It is imperative that your application reflects your true and accurate background. Please make sure to check your email on a regular basis as all notifications regarding this recruitment will be sent via email.

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Furthermore, if you have assisted in an interim or other temporary assignment or worked out-of-class for a significant and specified duration of time, include the contact information of your immediate supervisor. Visit us at www.lausdjobs.org during that assignment and be prepared to present verification from the official (local district superintendent, department administrator, or supervisor) validating your claim.

PLEASE NOTE: Qualified Candidates will be required to present an unexpired government identification at the time of the test. If you are unable to attend the scheduled test date, rescheduling is NOT guaranteed. Please be sure to include correspondence from @lausd.net as an approved sender so that messages aren't accidentally placed into your spam/junk e-mail folder.

Please make sure to check your email on a regular basis as all notifications regarding this recruitment will be sent via email.

We encourage you to visit our website, http://www.lausdjobs.org periodically to check for the next recruitment and we encourage you to apply to any positions for which you believe you meet the minimum qualifications.

For more information about the LAUSD employment assessment process, visit the ‘My LAUSD Career’ section of our website at http://www.lausdjobs.org.

Application Process

DO YOU NEED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE ON-LINE APPLICATION?
Email us at helpmeapply@lausd.net

To find out whether the application deadline has been extended, visit the website at: http://www.lausdjobs.org.
The Los Angeles Unified School District intends that all qualified persons shall have equal opportunities for employment and promotion.

Reasonable accommodations in completing an application and testing are available to individuals with disabilities. Please call (213) 241-3455 for more information.

If you have any questions regarding this recruitment, please contact Mercedes Quintanilla at m.quintanilla1@lausd.net

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For inquiries or complaints contact our Equal Opportunity Section, (213) 241-7685.

Selection and promotion are based on a competitive employment assessment process. Candidates who pass all parts of the assessment process are placed on a hiring (eligibility) list based on their assessment score. Hiring departments may make job offers to candidates on the top three ranks of the hiring list. Eligibility typically lasts for 12 months. The hiring list resulting from this assessment process may be used to fill open positions in related job classifications.

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