SAN MATEO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

CLASS TITLE: PARAEDUCATOR, SPECIAL EDUCATION ± HEARING IMPAIRED

BASIC FUNCTION:

Under the general supervision of a classroom teacher, assists deaf and hard-of-hearing students through the use of sign language or oral communication methods by presenting educational materials

Provide medical assistance and health care to special education students as assigned; administer first

- without assistance, 51+ lbs. with assistance.)
- x Upper body and arm strength sufficient to push students in wheelchairs around campus and in the community, and push/pull bicycles, wagons, chairs and tables weighing up to 50 lbs.
- x Ambulatory ability sufficient to walk with students on campus and in the community for up to 60 continuous minutes, and ascend stairs, wheelchair ramps, and inclines around campus. (Some positions require chasing and restraining students who run from classrooms.)
- x Stamina sufficient to sit or stand for extended periods of time.
- x Flexibility sufficient to bend at the waist, kneel and crouch to assist students working at low desks or on the floor, and to reach or stretch to retrieve items from shelves when assisting students with gross motor skill development.

HAZARDS:

Contact with blood and other body fluids.

Potential for contact with bloodborne pathogens and communicable diseases.

Contact with dissatisfied or abusive individuals.