

Leon County Public Schools Classification Specification

Salary Grade 30

Summary Information:

Classification Title: Purchasing Specialist

Date Prepared: 04/2003

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Typical Decisions and Recommendations Provided to Others:

This position requires the regular exercise of independent discretion and judgment within defined policy parameters in area of specialty. Work follows specific procedures, however the incumbent may determine priorities, organize own work and occasionally make exceptions to procedures.

Activity Identification

Activity Name

479	Purchase Orders	Process requisitions and prepare purchase orders.
471	Request for Proposal/Bids	Prepare, issue and/or renew requests for bids and/or proposals. Make or coordinate necessary advertisements and public notices.
473	Purchase Specifications	Prepare (or assist in preparing) specifications for purchases of materials, supplies, and equipment. Evaluate products. Vendor liaison.
472	Vendor Liaison	Coordinate purchasing activities, meet and communicate with current or potential vendors. Perform follow-up with vendors as needed.
008	Internal Liaison	Liaison among departments, functions, groups, or schools within the district. Communicate information to appropriate personnel.
077	Technical Assistance	Provide consultation and assistance regarding specific matters within identified area of expertise.
021	Word Processing/Typing	Type forms, reports, memos, minutes, correspondence, newsletters, flyers and/or handbooks. Includes word processing and formatting forms.
221A	Equipment and Supplies	Procurement of equipment and supplies.
506	Mail Processing	Sorting, stamping, and all other activities associated with mail processing.
645	Data Entry	Enter data.
646	Data Inquiry/Access	Use computer terminals to access data.
022	Filing	Set up and organize files and manuals; count and alphabetize records; keep files up-to-date; distribute as needed.
999	Assigned Duties	Perform other duties as assigned.

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General Classification Specification Factors:

Education/Experience: A.A. Degree with three year related experience; or
High School diploma or equivalent with five years related experience

Supervisory Responsibility: yes

Type of Supervision: Supervision is typically part-time with respect to instructing, assigning, and checking the work of others. Most time is typically spent performing the same work as members of the group. There is little or no responsibility for controlling costs and enhancing methods for performing work activity.

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Skill Identification

Managerial/Supervisory Skills	Important	Not Important
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing Multi-year Strategic and/or Operational Plans • Developing Annual Budgets • Policy Development • Controlling Expenses • Coordinating Resources • Decision making • Delegation • Individual/group leadership • Interpersonal (working with groups) • Knowledge of Business/organizational systems • Negotiating and/or persuading others to take action • Promoting safety • Supervising, coaching and developing employees 		

Office Skills	Important	Not Important
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checking grammar/punctuation • Filing • Perceiving detail in checking information/forms • Reading comprehension (high school level) • Operating word processing software • Operating a computer terminal for data entry • Operating automated spreadsheet software • Scheduling appointments and/or travel • Taking and distributing messages • Taking dictation and meeting minutes • General mathematical - adding, subtracting, multiplying, etc. 		

Professional and Technical Skills	Important	Not Important
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accounting/finance • Advanced math - algebra, statistics, geometry • Architecture • Bookkeeping • Computer operations • Computer programming • Contract interpretation • Craft skills (electrical, etc.) • Drawing-figures/drafting • Engineering • Graphic arts • Landscaping • Good Judgment • Work standards 		

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Skill Identification (cont.)

Communication Skills	Important	Not Important
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral communication--exchanging or expressing ideas by means of the spoken word • Presentations--transmitting information in a formal setting • Foreign communication--using a language other than English to communicate in writing or orally • Written communication--preparation of manuscripts, speeches, detailed plans, letters, policies, etc. • Editing written documents for content • Reading comprehension - understanding technical or scientific blueprints and charts • Public speaking 		

Physical Demands	Important	Not Important
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balancing - maintaining body equilibrium to prevent falling when walking, standing, or crouching • Carrying - transporting an object, usually holding it in the hands or arms or on the shoulder • Climbing - ascending or descending ladders, stairs, scaffolding, ramps, poles, ropes, and the like, using the feet and legs and/or hands and arms • Color - Match or discriminate colors • Fingering - picking, pinching, or other-wise working with the fingers primarily (rather than with the whole hand or arm as in handling) • Feeling - perceiving such attributes of objects and materials as size, shape, temperature, or texture, by means of receptors in the skin, particularly those of fingertips • Handling - seizing, holding, grasping, turning, or otherwise working with the hand or hands (fingering not involved) • Hearing - perceiving the nature of sounds by the ear or receiving detailed information through oral communication, or making fine distinctions in sound • Lifting - raising or lowering an object from one level to another (includes upward pulling) • Pulling - exerting force upon an object so that the object moves toward the force (includes jerking) • Pushing - exerting force upon an object so that the object moves from the force (including slapping, striking, kicking, and treadle actions) • Reaching - extending the hands and arms in any direction • Seeing - obtaining impressions through the eyes of shape, size, distance, motion, color, or other characteristics of objects or people • Sitting – placing your body in a chair, bending at the waist, with your knees bent and back straight 		