Certification Staffing Assignment
Supervisor of Special Education Area
Nursery-12

The Supervisor of Special Education provides supervision of special education programs and services for school-aged children and youth in grades Nursery-12.

Grade Level Scope of Certificate:

A person holding a valid PA certificate as a Supervisor of Special Education is qualified to serve and work in and with elementary, middle and secondary levels in grades Nursery through 12 in the special education requirements.

Certification Assignment:

An educator holding a valid PA certificate as a Supervisor of Special Education is qualified to function as a liaison between the school administration and the certified professional special education staff of a public school for the purpose of:

1. Enhancing the attainment of the district’s expectations and goals by authorizing activities using judgment not equally shared by all professionally special education certified staff;
2. Directing other certified special education persons;
3. Providing direct input to administrators, which affects the employment, assignment, transfer, promotion, layoff, discharge or other similar personnel actions of other professional-level employees certified in special education.

Special Considerations:

- A Principal PK-12 certificate may be used for an assignment as a Special Education Supervisor to supervise and direct special education staff at the building or district-wide level (CSPG #95.8).
- An educator certified in this field may provide school staff development services regarding their collegial studies/skills.

Restrictions:

The Supervisor of Special Education is qualified for supervisory duties only in the special education area.

If a Supervisor of Pupil Personnel Services is assigned responsibility for a special education program, including the responsibilities of evaluating and supervising special
education staff and instruction, that person must also hold a Supervisor of Special Education certificate.

References:

Program Specific Guidelines for Certification.

22 PA Code: Chapter 49: §49.11
§49.102-49.103

Chapter 14

PA Public School Code: §1202
§1212
§1604

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