

# **School Meals Assistant**

Position Description | Qualifications

## OVERVIEW

Under the supervision of the Principal or designate, the School Meals Assistant delivers the School Meals Program at a particular school location.

#### POSITION DESCRIPTION SCHOOL MEALS ASSISTANT

#### SMA – 1

Monitors quality of meals, ensuring FOODSAFE standards are met; may prepare or assist in meal preparation as required.

#### SMA – 2

Co-ordinates the receiving and distribution of meals; sets up the serving area and organizes clean-up after meals are distributed.

#### SMA – 3

Provides advice, guidance, instructions or directions to employees or students and develops work methods, procedures or standards.

#### SMA – 4

Notifies parents regarding School Meal Program contributions, collects and records meal program payments.

#### SMA – 5

Records and maintains a variety of confidential materials such as program correspondence, program materials, monthly accounts on student enrollment, forms, reports, requisitions, and memoranda from written material.

#### SMA - 6

Provides lunch program information and assistance regarding menus to parents, students, the public and District staff by telephone or in person.

#### SMA – 7

Establishes a positive rapport with students and enhances program awareness.

## SMA - 8

Where applicable places weekly food order and picks up/shops for food requirements.

# SMA - 9

Performs other assigned, comparable, or transient duties which are within the area of knowledge and skills required by this job description.

QUALIFICATIONS SCHOOL MEALS ASSISTANT

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EDUCATION	TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS
	Grade 12 or equivalent
	OTHER RELATED COURSES
	Current FOODSAFE Certificate
EXPERIENCE	TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS
	Six (6) months specific food service and/or food handling experience
KNOWLEDGE	JOB SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS
	Basic knowledge of computers
	Basic knowledge of composing business correspondence
	Knowledge of the safe and proper use of cleaning agents and techniques
SKILLS AND	TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS
ABILITIES	Ability to handle cash, maintain receipts and appropriate financial records
	Ability to provide information and assistance by telephone and in person
	Ability to supervise students
	Use appropriate measures to ensure the safety of cash
	INTERPERSONAL REQUIREMENTS
	Ability to maintain confidentiality of sensitive information seen

	or heard
	Ability to work independently with minimal supervision
	Patience
	Flexibility
	Responsibility
	Ability to work in a team/school setting
	Oral communication skills including the ability to relate to students, staff and the public
	PROBLEM SOLVING REQUIREMENTS
	Creativity/Innovative
	Ability to apply appropriate methods, procedures and policies
	Ability to document and summarize information
	Ability to develop work methods
	Ability to give advice, guidance, instructions and directions
	Ability to ensure accuracy and reliability of data and/or quality of assignments
	Organizational skills
	Ability to pay close attention to detail
	Ability to manage time appropriately
WORKING	OCCUPATIONAL REQUIREMENTS
CONDITIONS	Sufficient vision and hearing to perform related job duties
	Able to perform related physical and mental activities
	Physically able to occasionally lift up to 18 kg (40 lbs) and operate related equipment
	Able to work in a highly active physical environment
	Able to handle all foods (i.e., no health related issues)

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