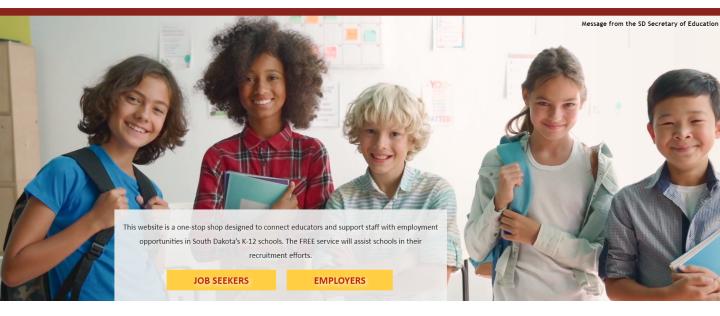
#### TeachInSD: Education Employment System

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# GUIDANCE DOCUMENT ON DEVELOPING AN EFFECTIVE JOB POSTING



# The purpose of this guide is to help you develop a post for a job vacancy that is easy to understand and interesting and informative to job seekers.

The TeachInSD: Education Employment System is a free service for all South Dakota public education agencies seeking educational employees. Only these entities can post on the TeachInSD website. Please remember as you are posting that you are not only competing with other educational entities for job seekers, but also often competing with the private sector, including medical, technology, and educational companies. This is especially true of our technology and therapist positions. Taking time to craft your job posting, will help ensure the best chance of having a job seeker apply for your position.

# **Before We Begin:**

- Read other job postings both on the board and on other sites. This will help you get a feel for what positions you are competing for, and to give ideas on creating your job posting.
- ✓ Do not create generic or cross-category job postings such as: "Full-Time Teachers," "K−8 Teachers," "Math, Language Arts, Science Teachers." Be specific.
- Create a new posting for each position. The only exception would be if there are multiple openings for the same job. If this is the case, please state exactly how many openings there are. Example: Occupational Therapists: 3 Openings
- Do not include entire job descriptions on a post. Posts should be short and concise. This is not the forum for a multiple-page job description because it is too long and will lose the job seeker's interest quickly.
- ✓ Do not use the Post a Job form to advertise an event. There is a separate place to advertise event on the home page of the TeachInSD website. To post an event, e-mail sdsupport@taese.org.



# **Position to Post:**

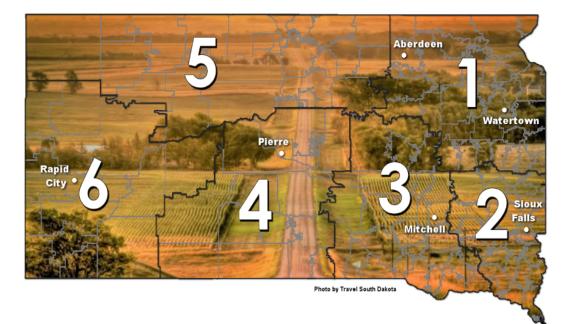
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**Job Title:** The job title is the initial item the job seeker usually sees and evaluates to determine if the position is of interest. The job title should be clear and concise and contain no abbreviations.

• Example: Special Education Teacher: Language Arts (Grades 7–8)

Note: If the position is part time, it should be indicated in the title.

**Region:** Indicate the region where the job is located.



Region 1 - Glacial Lakes Region 2 - Sioux Falls Metro Region 3 - James River Valley Region 4 - Missouri River Region 5 - Northern Grasslands Region 6 - Black Hills & Badlands

# **Organization Information:**

Organization Name	
Address	
City	
State	
Zip	
Website	https://

Organization Name: Indicate the name of the school district or school.

Address: Indicate where you want the applicant to apply for this position.

Website: Enter the website of the district/school. For example: http://www.name.edu

## **Contact Person for Position:**

Name	
Telephone	
Extension	
Fax	
Email Address	

**Name:** Determine who is the best person to answer specific questions about this position or the person to guide the candidate through the application process. This could be the person who will oversee the position or someone from the human resources department.

**E-mail Address:** Enter the email address for the contact person that the job seeker should use to ask questions regarding this job posting.

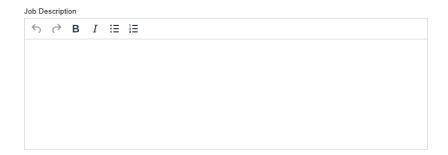
# **Choose a Category:**

Administration & Directors	Special Education	Secondary School
Athletic Director	American Sign Language Instructor	Art/Music/Theatre
Central Office	Blind or Visually Impaired	Athletic Coaching
CEO Educator	Braille Education	Career & Technical Education
Curriculum Director	Deaf or Hearing Impaired	Classroom Technology/Computer Science
Other	Gifted Education	Distance Educator
Principal/Asst. Principal	C K-12 Adapted Physical Education	Drivers Education
School Business Official	Occupational Therapist	English as a New Language
□ South Dakota Department of Education	Other	English Language Arts
Special Education Director	Physical Therapist	Foreign and World Languages
Superintendent/Asst. Supt.	School Psychologist/Examiner	Health/Physical Education
	School Social Worker	□ Jr ROTC
Technology Coordinator/Director/Integrationist	Special Education	□ Mathematics
	Speech/Language Pathologist/Asst.	Other
Classified Positions		Reading
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Administrative Assistant	Elementary	School Library
Bus Driver/Monitor	Art/Music/Theatre	School Nurse
Campus Security/Officer	Athletic Coaching	Science
Custodial/Maintenance	Classroom Technology/Computer Science	□ Social Studies
	Distance Educator	South Dakota Indian Studies
Other	ELA/Reading	
Paraprofessional/Aide	Elementary	
Substitute Teacher	English as a New Language	
	Foreign and World Languages	
	Health/Physical Education	
	Lakota Language and Culture	
	□ Mathematics	
	Other	
	Reading	
	School Counselor	
	School Library	
	School Nurse	
	Science	
	□ Social Studies	
	South Dakota Indian Studies	

**NOTE:** Based on the position you are posting, choose only the relevant category. Occasionally, a position may be appropriate for more than one sub-category. For example: <u>Secondary PE/Coach</u> would be posted under the High School category, with " <u>Health/Physical Education</u>" and "<u>Athletic Coaching</u>" selected.

# Job Description:

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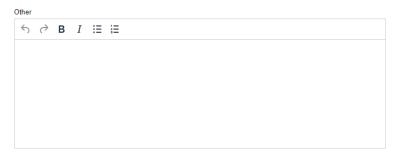


A good job description is clear and concise, and highlights the most significant information about the position. **Don't paste entire job descriptions from your** <u>human</u> <u>resources department</u>, because comprehensive descriptions are too long for this forum. It is all right to use the word "you" to speak directly to the job seeker. Consider including the:

- **Position Description:** Worksite location; full time/part time; if the position is working with students, include grade/age; for special education, include the subject area and the special needs student population.
- **Tasks:** Using bullets, list approximately five of the most relevant daily tasks, and start each task with a verb.
- **Terms of Employment:** Number of days in contract, work hours per week, if permanent or end- of-year position, probation period, etc.
- Requirements/Preferences:
  - **Requirements:** Certifications or skills needed or job tasks that require additional training.
  - **Preferences:** Education level, years of experience, knowledge of computer or training programs, other languages, etc.
- Work Conditions: Travel requirements, independent/teamwork settings, supervisory duties, etc.

NOTE: If you are not familiar with the position you are posting for, consider having the supervisor of the posted position or someone more familiar with the job review the post, especially the job description, to ensure it is accurate and complete.

# Other:



For this section, first consider including one to three sentences telling the job seeker a little about your district (see the box below).

Other relevant information to consider:

- Salary or hourly rate
- Bonuses or other unique perks (continuing education, induction/mentorship program, and signing/retention bonuses)
- Benefits (insurance plans, retirement)
- Any disclaimers
- Application deadline

# **Capitalize on Your District**

Don't underestimate the importance of selling your workplace. Sometimes it is what you include about your organization that "speaks to" the job applicant. If you are unsure what to include, look at your website to see what is promoted about your organization and ask other employees why they chose to work at your school or district.

#### Examples of what to consider include:

- ✤ Brief history
- Mission statement
- ✤ Size of the public education agency
  - ✤ Location
- \* Keywords that describe the district or what is important to the public education agency
  - Special recognition the public education agency has received
    - Company and workplace culture

Terms sometimes seen include - Competitive Pay, "A" Rated Public Education Agency, Community, STEM, Fine Arts, Traditional, Liberal Arts, Back to Basics, Growing District, Multicultural Community.

#### Management Contact Email:

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We request this additional e-mail address in case clarification is needed before we post the opening. We also use this e-mail address to follow up to see if this vacancy is filled. This is typically the e-mail address of the person posting the position.

## Submit:

Please make sure links and spelling are correct before hitting the submit button.

Submit

When you have completed posting a position, click "Submit" at the end of the "Post a Job" form.

# **Removing a Job Posting:**

#### ARE YOU A REGISTERED EMPLOYER?

Please do not DELETE your vacancy, unless you have a duplicate posting. We keep data on postings, so if you need to remove a job posting, please select <u>filled</u> or <u>expired</u>.

#### ARE YOU A GUEST EMPLOYER?

Use the 'Delete/Modify a Job Posting' form to submit a request to change a posted position or to delete a position. Changes made to an existing posting will be updated as requested within 72 hours of your request.



**NOTE:** Please remove the posting as soon as the position is filled. It reflects poorly on your organization to have active postings on positions no longer available.



- All jobs are deleted after 45 days unless contact is made with the site administrator via email at <u>sdsupport@taese.org</u> indicating the desire for an extension.
- You will receive a follow-up e-mail asking about the posting.
  Please take the time to respond to this e-mail as this data you provide is recorded and shared.

Every job posting has the potential to be viewed by the hundreds of job posters and job seekers who visit the TeachInSD: Education Employment System each day. Taking the time up front to plan and craft your job posting is important. The impression you leave can be lasting and might be the difference between filling your position and losing out on a qualified applicant.

## **Technical Assistance:**

The TeachInSD: Education Employment System is brought to you by the <u>South Dakota Department of Education</u>. Technical Support: <u>sdsupport@taese.org</u> (24/7)

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There is a "Technical Assistance" link on the home page, which is used to send an e-mail to sdsupport@taese.org.