2.9 -- DUTIES OF CURRICULUM COACHES

Curriculum Coach is an individual holding a valid Arkansas teacher's license meeting the criteria for a highly qualified teacher who facilitates continuous improvement in classroom instruction by providing instructional support to teachers in the elements of research-based instruction and by demonstrating the alignment of instruction with curriculum standards and assessments tools; develops instructional strategies; develops and implements training; chooses standards-based instructional materials; provides teachers with an understanding of current research; integrates technology into instruction; assists in implementation of the components of the Arkansas Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (ACSIP)

The Curriculum Coach shall:

- 1. Increase student achievement by engaging teachers in intensive professional development on instruction and the curriculum which will promote a school-based professional learning community (**70 percent or more**)
 - Demonstrate exemplary classroom instructional practice and possess a deep understanding of learning theory
 - Ongoing teaching of children in a variety of settings and grade levels (K-12) to enhance professional growth and student achievement problem solving
 - Provide demonstrations in all curriculum areas
 - Provide *sustained* mentoring to classroom teachers
 - Observe and coach classroom teachers in effective practices
 - Plan and conduct professional team meetings
 - Provide workshops on the District curriculum Literacy/Social Studies Workshop or Standards' Based Math, or Inquiry Science
 - Extend competencies through professional development opportunities and networking with other coaches within the district, the state and nation
- 2. Manage and evaluate the school's curriculum to ensure the highest level of student achievement (**30 percent or less**)
 - Collect data on student achievement, analyze the results, and report the findings
 - Complete district and school established paperwork on student achievement data, team meetings and classroom coaching
 - Implement and sustain a school-wide assessment system for monitoring student achievement (one possible example is an assessment wall)
 - Evaluate student achievement and assist with planning and/or placing students in appropriate classroom interventions and/or support services
 - Evaluate effectiveness of the overall curriculum
 - Identify needs and make recommendations for appropriate reading, writing, and math materials

- Organize materials for optimum teacher use
- Meet regularly with the principal to report on progress and plan next steps
- Provide leadership for the curriculum across the school community
- Network with other curriculum coaches in developing, implementing, and researching curriculum

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