

### LOWER SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

#### **SUMMARY OF FUNCTIONS**

Perform routine clerical and administrative functions such as drafting correspondence, scheduling appointments, organizing and maintaining paper and electronic files, and providing information to callers.

## **MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Act as first point-of-contact for public

- Greet visitors entering school.
- Handle visitors' inquiries or direct them to the appropriate person.
- Act as liaison between director/head of school and students, parents, and public.

#### Handle communications

- Open, sort, and distribute incoming correspondence, including mail, faxes, and email.
- Mail or distribute newsletters or other information.
- Answer telephones and give information to callers, take messages, or transfer calls to appropriate individuals.
- Prepare responses to correspondence containing routine inquiries.
- Contact, schedule, and manage substitute teachers.
- Hear and resolve complaints from students, parents, and other staff.

Use office equipment to perform administrative tasks

- Operate office equipment such as fax machines, copiers, phone and door entry systems.
- Use computers for word processing, database management, making spreadsheets, and other applications.

## Maintain files and records

- File, retrieve, and maintain school documents, records, and reports.
- Manage and maintain directors' or head of school schedules/calendars.



- Collect attendance records from homeroom teachers in the morning.
- Email students' daily attendance to all teachers.
- Assist with class scheduling, class distribution lists, school orders, student supply orders and school budget.
- Collect and file emergency contact forms.
- Collect and record student dismissal changes and notify staff about the changes to ensure student safety.
- Use FACTS to record students' grades.

#### Other critical tasks

• Order and dispense supplies.

#### REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS

• Director of Lower School

### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES NECESSARY

- Knowledge of administrative and clerical procedures and systems such as word processing, managing files and records, designing forms, and other office procedures and terminology.
- Knowledge of principles and processes for providing customer and personal services.
  This includes customer needs assessment, meeting quality standards for services, and evaluation of customer satisfaction.
- Giving full attention to what other people are saying, taking time to understand the points being made, asking questions as appropriate, and not interrupting at inappropriate times.
- Being aware of others' reactions and understanding why they react as they do.
- Managing one's own time and the time of others.
- The ability to apply general rules to specific problems to produce answers that make sense.



- The ability to combine pieces of information to form general rules or conclusions (includes finding a relationship among seemingly unrelated events).
- The ability to shift back and forth between two or more activities or sources of information (such as speech, sounds, touch, or other sources).

# TOOLS, EQUIPMENT, AND MACHINES

• Typical office supplies (e.g. computers, copiers, fax machines, telephones)

# WORK ENVIRONMENT AND PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

- Normal inside environment; office/school setting; occasionally noisy
- Ability to lift 50 lbs.
- Perform minimal physical activities that require use of arms, legs, and moving whole body for standing, walking, sitting, bending, grasping, or stooping/kneeling.
- Clear vision at 20 inches or less.
- Normal hearing requirements.
- Required to pass a background check before starting.

## **EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS**

• Some college education and/or two years of experience

Applicants should submit a resume and cover letter expressing interest in the position to Ashley Turner in Human Resources at aturner@northcross.org.