

**CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**CLASS TITLE: ASSOCIATE BUYER**

**Class Code: 3075**

**Grade: 50**

**CLASS DEFINITION AND SUMMARY:**

Under general supervision expedites purchase orders and SPO's and assists the buyers in the procurement of equipment, supplies, and services.

**ESSENTIAL TASKS OF THE POSITION:** (Illustrative, not inclusive)

Follows up and expedites overdue purchase orders with vendors.  
Assists in evaluating formal bids.  
Obtains and evaluates quotes, and recommends purchases of items to the buyer.  
Assists in obtaining and testing of sample merchandise.  
Participates in pre-bid conferences.  
Investigates receiving discrepancies or deficiencies in shipments to the warehouse.  
Coordinates with accounts payable on payment discrepancies.  
Prepares change orders for approval.  
Conforms to safety standards as prescribed.  
Performs other tasks related to the position as assigned.

**DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:**

Involves paraprofessional activities associated with the purchase of supplies, equipment, and contracted work.

**KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:**

Knowledge of basic purchasing principles, including bid openings, vendor contracts, and processing of purchase requisitions.  
Ability to read and interpret specifications and bid documents.  
Ability to learn purchasing practices, procedures, and laws.  
Ability to use computers and software applications related to the department.  
Ability to maintain accurate records.  
Ability to operate office machines.  
Ability to plan, set priorities, and organize work.  
Ability to meet predetermined deadlines.  
Ability to communicate clearly orally and in writing.  
Ability to work flexible hours or shifts.  
Ability to work cooperatively with employees, vendors, and the public.  
Ability to recognize and report hazards and apply safe work methods.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:**

High school graduation or other equivalent (i.e., GED, college, technical, or trade school transcript, foreign equivalency, etc.).  
Three (3) years experience working in purchasing activities; or,  
Two (2) years experience working in purchasing activities and twelve (12) college credit hours in accounting, business, and/or finance; or,  
Associate's degree in accounting, business, or finance and one (1) year experience working in purchasing activities; or,  
Bachelor's degree in accounting, business, or finance.

**LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES:**

None.

**PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

Knowledge of government procurement laws and practices.

**DOCUMENT (S) REQUIRED AT TIME OF APPLICATION:**

1. High school graduation or other equivalent (i.e., GED, college, technical, or trade school transcript, foreign equivalency, etc.).
2. College transcript, if applicable.
3. Specific documented evidence of training and experience to satisfy qualifications, if applicable.

**EXAMPLES OF ASSIGNED WORK AREAS:**

Clark County School District Purchasing and Warehousing Department.

**Strength:** Sedentary/light - exert forces to 10 lbs. occasionally or a negligible amount of force frequently to lift, carry, push, pull or move objects.

**Physical Demands:** Frequent reaching, handling, fingering, talking and hearing. Vision: Frequent near acuity. Mobility to work in a typical office setting and use standard office equipment. Vision to read printed materials and a video display screen or other monitoring devices. Hearing and speech to communicate in person or over the telephone.

**Environmental Conditions:** A climate controlled office setting with temperatures ranging from mild to moderate cold/heat. Exposure to noise levels ranging from moderate to loud and occasional to frequent time periods.

**EXAMPLES OF EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES USED TO PERFORM TASKS:**

Various computers, printers, typewriters, telephones, calculators, copy machines, fax machines, telephones, filing cabinets/equipment etc.

Individuals with a disability who require reasonable accommodation(s) during any step of the screening process or who have questions about qualifications should notify a representative in Support Staff Personnel. Notification may be made in person, in writing, or by calling: (702) 799-5334 (V) or (702) 799-0217 (TDD).

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