



Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired

*School and Statewide
Outreach Serving*

Wisconsin Families Since 1849

Teacher - Orientation and Mobility

Type of Employment: Full Time (40 hrs/week)

Salary: Starting salary will be between \$19.00 - \$24.00 per hour plus excellent benefits. Additional compensation up to \$2.97 per hour may be given for relevant credits beyond a Bachelor's degree. A six-month probationary period will be required. This position is in pay schedule 13, pay range 04.

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Bargaining Unit: Non-Represented

Area of Competition: Open

Deadline to Apply: January 7, 2016

Exam Information: Exam cannot be previewed.

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) is committed to ensuring every child graduates ready for further education and the workforce. We must align our efforts so students are learning the skills and knowledge necessary to become contributing members of our communities. To build on our long-standing commitment to public education, we strive to recruit and retain quality employees. Our employees are vital to the success of our students, schools and communities. For more information about DPI, please go to <http://www.dpi.wi.gov>.

The Department of Public Instruction, Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (WCBVI) is currently seeking applicants for a full-time, year-round Orientation and Mobility Teacher position in their Outreach department. This position is located at 1700 W State Street, Janesville.

The WCBVI operates a residential school for state residents ages birth to twenty-one who are blind or have visual impairments. The school provides academic and career education on site. The WCBVI Statewide Outreach team offers instructional and technical assistance, teaching materials and evaluations of pupils at the request of local school districts and other agencies.

Job Duties:

This full-time, year round position is part of the Outreach department's Short Course Instructional team with the Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (WCBVI). The position provides 1:1 and group instruction to students who are blind or visually impaired, ages 3-21, including those with additional disabilities during the school year and for summer programs. Responsibilities include evaluating student skills and needs; preparing measurable goals and objectives; following through with instruction; completing progress reports; and consulting/collaborating with WCBVI staff, other professionals, and parents to ensure that all student needs are communicated and met. The position may travel to local school districts to perform assessments and share/gain information from local staff, and transition students in and out of their home district. As directed, it also provides orientation & mobility evaluations and consultations at the request of local education agencies (LEAs).

Special Notes:

Licensure or eligibility for licensure in Orientation and Mobility (826) with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction is required.

A criminal background check will be conducted prior to an offer of hire.

Job Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

Knowledge of: child development and movement; effects of vision loss on travel skills; effects of additional disabilities on travel skills and learning modes; individualized teaching approaches used to maximize student potential, especially in the areas of the expanded core curriculum; current orientation and mobility practices, philosophies, and innovations; tools used in orientation and mobility including canes, low vision aids, tactile maps, etc.; state and federal laws related to the education of students who are blind or visually impaired; tools and methods for assessing student skill level in orientation and mobility; and techniques and strategies for developing and recommending measurable annual goals for students who are blind or visually impaired in orientation and mobility.

Ability to: work with wide variety of ages/abilities and work as a member of a team to meet student needs.

Skill in: effective oral and written communication.

How To Apply:

Submit an Application for State Employment form (OSER-DMRS-38), current resume,

transcripts and a copy of your license or documentation verifying your eligibility for licensure in Orientation and Mobility (826) through the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. You may submit the materials any of the following ways: online through <http://wisc.jobs>; email materials to lynn.kirsch@dpi.wi.gov; mail materials to: Lynn Kirsch, DPI Human Resource Services, 5th Floor, 125 South Webster Street, PO Box 7841, Madison, WI 53707-7841; or fax to (608) 266-5856 Attn: Lynn Kirsch.

Please Note: After you apply, your job cart will show that the exam for this position is “not submitted” because it is administered offline. The materials you submit, per the instructions above will be used to determine your eligibility and will be considered “exam” responses. Based on the review of those materials, you will be given a score to indicate your eligibility for the position. As long as you have submitted all the materials requested above, your application is complete.
