

**CLARKSVILLE-MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM  
CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE  
JOB DESCRIPTION**

**Job Title: Food Service Assistant****Department: Child Nutrition**

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**Job Description****Date Reviewed: April 2006****Reports To: Cafeteria Manager****Purpose of Job**

Under general supervision, performs as Food Service Assistant in the Clarksville-Montgomery School System. Duties and responsibilities include food preparation, serving food, washing dishes and cooking utensils, setting up of food line, and stocking shelves with fresh food supplies. To contribute to the smooth and efficient operation of the school cafeteria for the ultimate health, comfort, and benefit of the students. Reports to the Cafeteria Manager.

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities**

**The following duties are normal for this job. These are not to be construed as exclusive or all-inclusive. Other duties may be required and assigned.**

Washes and sanitizes utensils and cleans work area for food preparation; checks in food from delivery truck to ensure adequate food quantities; stocks serving lines with utensils and tray carts.

Cooks and prepares foods for serving lines and salad bar; operates deep-fat fryer; may prepare deli sandwiches and baked goods.

Fills milk boxes and stacks milk crates; opens milk and prepares tea.

Sets up and monitors serving line; keeps serving lines well-stocked and clean; check food temperatures to keep food hot or cold as needed to meet health codes; refills food trays.

Ensures adequate supply of trays, napkins, and silverware; maintains cleanliness of serving lines between classes and after lunch; collects lunch trays; puts out ice; puts out condiments.

Pulls food from line to count, wrap, and store leftovers after lunch; counts milk and returns drinks to the refrigerator; itemizes USDA purchases and non-USDA purchases.

Keeps kitchen area clean; ensures safety of children by cleaning up spills and sweeping food from the floor; ensures serving line is turned off after lunch.

Washes trays, pots, pans, and dishes using dishwashing machine; puts away cleaned dishes and breaks down the dishwasher equipment.

Wipes down tables and sinks; shines serving line; sweeps and mops kitchen floors; wipes out warmer, oven, and steamer; cleans refrigerator and deep fat fryer.

Operates Point of Sale System and takes up monies separating by class; counts money received; sells, registers.

Calculates tally sheet and prepares inventory and daily production reports for Cafeteria Manager; plans food set-up for attractive display; calculates and plans food supply and preparation needs for the following day.

Prepares food to be delivered to other schools; helps unload food delivery truck and food carts; collects carts, cookware, and foods for truck pick-up; keeps storage room in order.

Receives, dates and puts away new stock on shelves.

Follows Federal and State rules and regulations and local board policies pertaining to meal requirements and record keeping.

Follows instructions given by the Cafeteria Manager in the use of equipment, new methods or techniques of work, recipes, and any changes in the work schedules or number of hours to be worked.

Performs and completes all scheduled tasks to the required quality and time standards.

Works cooperatively with the Cafeteria Manager and other cafeteria personnel at all times to promote teamwork and efficient production.

Prepares food using standardized recipes and determines if the finished product is of the best quality both in flavor and appearance before it is served.

Records all food usage, preparation, and leftovers on the production record as required.

Sees that the supply of food offered is replenished regularly during meal service periods.

Sets up cafeteria line for service and serves students and staff standard portions to insure that a reimbursable meal is served.

Implements the approved collection procedure.

Keeps work areas as clean and orderly as possible at all times and observes all rules of safety and sanitation.

Maintains personal appearance and hygiene according to policy.

Performs first aid as needed and reports immediately to the manager any problem or accident occurring in the kitchen or the cafeteria areas.

Assists in the daily clean up of the kitchen, service, and cafeteria areas.

Performs major cleaning of equipment and areas at regularly scheduled intervals.

Removes used dishes and cleans counter, tables, and serving line in the dining and kitchen areas.

Cleans and sanitizes all dishes, flatware, pots, and pans according to established procedures.

Maintains the trash and garbage collection areas in a neat and sanitary fashion.

Properly operates and cleans all equipment using established rules of safety and sanitation.

Checks all food and supplies received into the school against the invoices for accuracy, signing invoices only after each order has been verified.

Ensures that all food and supplies are received and stored with consideration given to proper food safety and handling procedures.

Reports any errors in the delivery such as shorts, faulty or inferior receipt, or incorrect price to the manager using the established procedure.

Prepares accurate and adequate records of income and number of meals served by eligibility category as well as adult and a la carte.

Assists in the accurate preparation of a monthly physical inventory.

Completes accurate work time record on a daily basis.

Assists in the completion of daily production records as documentation for auditing purposes.

Assists in the preparation of other records as deemed necessary for efficient operation of the program or for auditing purposes.

Promotes increasing participation through good public relations and marketing skills with students, faculty, and parents.

Promotes good public relations by supporting the school nutrition program by actions, words and deeds.

Participates in staff meetings and in-service training programs to stay informed and to extend his/her knowledge and ability in the various areas of the School Nutrition Program.

Performs additional duties as assigned by the Cafeteria Manager.

### **Additional Job Functions**

Performs other duties as required.

**Minimum Training and Experience Required to Perform Essential Job Functions**

High School diploma or GED is required, with three to six months of food service, preparation and cash handling experience preferred; or any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience which provides the requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities for this job.

**(ADA) MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OR STANDARDS REQUIRED  
TO PERFORM ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS**

**PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:** Must be physically able to operate a variety of machines, tools, and equipment such as stoves, ovens, deep fryers, mixers, steamers, slicers, food processors, etc. Must be able to use body members to work, move or carry objects or materials. Must be able to exert up to twenty pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to ten pounds of force frequently. Physical demand requirements are at levels of those for active work. Must be able to lift and/or carry weight of twenty to forty pounds.

**DATA CONCEPTION:** Requires the ability to compare and or judge the readily observable functional, technical, structural, or compositional characteristics (whether similar to or divergent from obvious standards) of data, people, or things.

**INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION:** Requires the ability of speaking and/or signaling people to convey or exchange administrative information. Includes giving assignments and/or directions to co-workers or assistants.

**LANGUAGE ABILITY:** Requires the ability to read a variety of informational documentation, directions, instructions, and methods and procedures related to the job of Food Service Assistant. Requires the ability to write reports with proper format, punctuation, spelling and grammar, using all parts of speech. Requires the ability to speak with and before others with poise, voice control, and confidence using correct English and a well-modulated voice.

**INTELLIGENCE:** Requires the ability to learn and understand relatively complex principles and techniques; to make independent judgments in absence of supervision; to acquire knowledge of topics related to the job of Food Service Assistant.

**VERBAL APTITUDE:** Requires the ability to record and deliver information to supervisors and officials; to explain procedures and policies; and to follow verbal and written instructions, guidelines and objectives.

**NUMERICAL APTITUDE:** Requires the ability to utilize mathematical formulas; add and subtract totals; multiply and divide; determine percentages; determine time and weight.

**FORM/SPATIAL APTITUDE:** Requires the ability to inspect items for proper length, width, and shape, visually.

**MOTOR COORDINATION:** Requires the ability to coordinate hands and eyes in using cafeteria and kitchen equipment.

**MANUAL DEXTERITY:** Requires the ability to handle a variety of items, cafeteria and kitchen equipment, control knobs, switches, etc. Must have the ability to use one hand for twisting or turning motion while coordinating other hand with different activities. Must have minimal levels of eye/hand/foot coordination.

**COLOR DISCRIMINATION:** Requires the ability to differentiate colors and shades of color.

**INTERPERSONAL TEMPERAMENT:** Requires the ability to deal with people (i.e. staff, supervisors, general public, and officials) beyond giving and receiving instructions such as in interpreting departmental policies and procedures. Must be adaptable to performing under considerable stress when confronted with an emergency related to the position of Food Service Assistant.

**PHYSICAL COMMUNICATION:** Requires the ability to talk and/or hear: (talking - expressing or exchanging ideas by means of spoken words). (Hearing -perceiving nature of sounds by ear).

**ATTENDANCE:** A regular and dependable level of attendance is an essential function for this position.

**KNOWLEDGE OF JOB**

Has general knowledge of the policies, procedures and activities of the School System and cafeteria operation practices as they pertain to the performance of duties relating to the job of Food Service Assistant. Has general knowledge of cafeteria practices as necessary in the completion of daily responsibilities. Knows how to develop and administer operations and staff plans and objectives for the expedience and effectiveness of specific duties of the department. Knows how to keep abreast of any changes in policy, methods, computer operations, equipment needs, etc. as they pertain to departmental operations and activities. Is able to effectively communicate and interact with supervisors, embers of the general public and all other groups involved in the activities of the department. Is able to assemble information and make written reports and documents in a concise, clear and effective manner. Has good organizational, human relations, and technical skills. Is able to use independent judgment and work with little direct supervision when necessary. Has the ability to comprehend, interpret, and apply regulations, procedures, and related information. Has comprehensive knowledge of the terminology, principles, and methods utilized within the department. Has the mathematical ability to handle required calculations. Is able to read, understand and interpret food production reports and related materials.

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**Employee's Signature**

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**Supervisor's Signature**

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