

Job Announcement: Director – Office of Curriculum and Assessment

The Ohio Department of Education is seeking a visionary leader with proven educational and organizational leadership skills that can direct the future-focused Office of Curriculum and Assessment. The successful candidate will have strong knowledge of educational issues involving standards, curriculum and their aligned assessments to support student learning.

Major Responsibilities & Duties:

Directs the Office of Curriculum and Assessment in providing leadership and support for schools and districts in the implementation of curriculum and Ohio's standards and assessment system:

- Oversees the review and update of Ohio's Learning Standards and related model curricula in all content areas through extensive stakeholder engagement;
- Oversees the implementation of professional development and technical assistance emphasizing innovative practices to support districts in helping students become college career ready leveraging regional systems of support;
- Leads all aspects of statewide K-12 assessment system including:
 - Fiscal management of assessment contracts (e.g., AIR, ACT, SAT) and contract monitoring (e.g., vendor relation management, deliverables);
 - Coordination of a variety of tests for multiple purposes (e.g., computer-based test, ACT, SAT, Work Keys, Alternative Tests);
 - Ensure assessments and results meet technical requirements (e.g., reliability, validity);
- Supports major legislative and State Board of Education initiatives and policies as they arise (e.g., Third Grade Reading Guarantee, graduation requirements);
- Leads the development of annual strategic goals for the Office;
- Develops partners in the field (e.g., ESCs, Network of Regional Leaders) that will help open two-way lines of communication;
- Coordinates the alignment of Ohio's Learning Standards with standards from other ODE offices;
- Coordinates with the Office of Innovation on topics of blended learning, Innovative Learning Network (ILN), competency-based education and the learning management system (LMS);
- Oversees collection of evidence needed for submission for peer review approval process for Ohio State Standards and Assessments.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Completion of a Master's degree or higher in one of the following areas: Education, Educational Measurement, Educational Leadership, Social Sciences, Public Policy, or related equivalent degree;
- 5 years of administrative or managerial experience;
- Demonstrated experience in the implementation of state-wide assessments and curriculum and instruction supports.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Political acumen with various stakeholders and constituent groups
- Deep knowledge and experience working with programs and educators that provide curricular and assessment supports to districts
- Strong analytical and critical thinking skills related to educational policy, resource allocation, and program design
- Exceptional verbal and written communication skills and a proven ability to build productive relationships with, and communicate complex messages to, a wide variety of stakeholders

- A strong understanding of Ohio's educational policy and landscape
- Unwavering belief that all students can learn and achieve success in school
- Excellent communication, interpersonal, and team-building skills
- Systems thinker with creativity and strong problem-solving skills

Additional Information:

- Compensation is negotiable; depends on candidate's experience and qualifications; salary range for this classification is \$81,000 - \$108,000.
- Requires travel throughout State of Ohio & may require overnight stay. (Must be willing & able to secure a valid Driver's License OR supply your own transportation.)

All qualified candidates should apply at www.careers.ohio.gov no later than **June 18, 2017**.

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