

Vacancy Announcement

Director of Student Services

Meridian Public School District seeks a visionary and experienced **Director of Student Services** to lead and enhance support systems that promote student success, equity, and well-being. This position plays a pivotal role in developing and managing programs that meet the academic, behavioral, and social-emotional needs of all students.

Location: MPSD Central Office

Notice Date: January 8, 2025 Closing Date: January 24, 2025

Terms of Contract: Administrator position reporting 235 days

Compensation range: Starting at \$82,116

Qualifications:

To be considered for this position, candidates must meet the following criteria:

1. Mississippi Educator License - 486 Career Level Administrator

Must hold or be eligible for this licensure.

2. Experience:

- A minimum of five (5) years of successful experience as a building-level administrator.
- Proven ability to lead and support staff, collaborate effectively, and advocate for student needs.

3. Skills and Expertise:

- o Demonstrated ability to serve as a peer leader and collaborator.
- Strong advocacy skills for diverse student populations.
- Exceptional knowledge and application of interpreting behavior and academic data to inform decision-making.



Preferred Skills and Competencies:

- Expertise in designing and implementing student support services and interventions.
- Strong communication, interpersonal, and organizational skills.
- Knowledge of federal and state policies related to student services, including special education, 504 plans, and mental health initiatives.
- Ability to foster positive relationships with students, families, staff, and community stakeholders.
- Commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion in education.

Key Responsibilities:

The Director of Student Services will:

- Lead the development and implementation of student support systems to address academic, behavioral, and social-emotional needs.
- Collaborate with building and district-level leaders to analyze data and create intervention plans.
- Oversee programs related to counseling, discipline, attendance, and alternative education.
- Serve as a resource for administrators and staff on best practices for student advocacy and data-driven decision-making.
- Develop partnerships with families and community organizations to enhance student services.

Application Process:

Interested candidates should submit the following by January 24, 2025:

- 1. A detailed resume/CV.
- 2. A cover letter highlighting qualifications and leadership philosophy.
- 3. Three professional references with contact information.
- 4. Copy of Mississippi Educator License or evidence of eligibility.

Submit Applications To: www.mpsdk12.net

Compensation and Benefits:

- Competitive salary commensurate with experience.
- Comprehensive benefits package, including health, dental, and retirement options.

Meridian Public Schools is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive workplace.