



Kansas State School for the Blind

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**** JOB OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT ****

- POSITION TITLE:** TSVI - Field Services (Teacher of Students with Visual Impairments) and/or Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialist (COMS)
- SALARY:** Placement made within agency guidelines salary schedule, depending upon qualifications and experience. Excellent benefits.
- LOCATION:** Flexible. Preferred candidates must be willing to serve Central and Northcentral Kansas. Regular travel is required to various service areas.
- EMPLOYMENT DATE:** August 2026
- SCHEDULE:** Follows the school calendar (181 working days). May require attendance at special events outside normal working hours, including evenings and weekends.

JOB DESCRIPTION: This position plays a meaningful role in supporting students with visual impairments across regional districts and cooperatives by providing direct, specialized services that promote access, independence, and educational success. Working under the general supervision of the Director of Field Services, the TSVI and/or COMS thoughtfully prioritizes and delivers services while responding to the unique and evolving needs of students, families, and districts. This position requires strong knowledge of the IEP process and collaborative, multidisciplinary teamwork; current trends in assistive and accessibility technology; and the effective use of distance communication tools (e.g., Zoom). The TSVI and/or COMS maintains accurate professional documentation and serves as a supportive, knowledgeable partner to educators and families, representing KSSB with professionalism, compassion, and a shared commitment to student growth.

Working independently under the direction of the Field Services Director, the incumbent will:

- Provide direct TSVI and/or COMS services to regional districts, cooperatives, and/or KSSB campus
- Conduct Functional Vision Assessments (FVA), Learning Media Assessments (LMA), Orientation & Mobility (O&M), Braille Skills, and other specialized assessments
- Prepare written assessment reports for agency and district use
- Attend IEP meetings and required staff meetings (in-person or virtual)
- Maintain appropriate records and documentation
- Serve as a collaborative team member representing KSSB in a positive and professional manner
- Complete other duties as assigned by the Director of Field Services or Superintendent
 - Serve on special project committees, including:
 - Celebrate Access

- Annual Vision Symposium
- Family Engagement
- Extended School Year (ESY)

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

- Assist regional districts with programming for students with a visual impairment. Assist regional districts with programming for students with visual impairments
- Review ophthalmologic reports and assess functional vision, learning media, and orientation & mobility needs
- Prepare written reports and determine educational impact
- Participate as an agency team member when visual impairment impacts educational performance
- Assist in developing IEP goals, objectives, accommodations, and modifications
- Provide guidance on locating adaptive materials and equipment
- Teach district personnel strategies and skills for the instruction of students with visual impairments
- Participate in continuing education to maintain professional growth
- Maintain accurate, up-to-date records

ADDITIONAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Interpret eye medical reports for educational and early intervention settings
- Collaborate with families, district personnel, and early interventionists in implementing the Expanded Core Curriculum (ECC), including:
 - Compensatory/functional academic skills (communication modes)
 - Assistive technology
 - Social interaction skills
 - Independent living skills
 - Career and vocational education
 - Self-determination
 - Orientation and mobility
 - Recreation and leisure
 - Sensory efficiency
- Recommend specialized evaluations (low vision, psychosocial, adaptive PE, AT, etc.)
- Participate in team assessments, including students with cortical visual impairment and additional disabilities
- Assist with equipment procurement and material acquisition (KIRC, APH, KanLovKids, etc.)
- Support low vision assessment coordination in regional areas
- Provide information to families regarding workshops, conferences, summer programs, and transition services
- Participate in transition planning
- Attend required meetings and use effective professional communication skills

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's degree in education or related field
- Current Kansas State Board of Education license in Teaching Students with a Visual Impairment (TSVI), or the ability to transfer from another state
- Endorsement as a TSVI from an accredited and nationally recognized university program
- Ability to obtain Provisional Certification as a TSVI

- ACVREP Certification in Orientation and Mobility (COMS) from an approved university program (or willingness to obtain)

KEY COMPETENCIES:

- Experience working with children with multiple disabilities, including deaf-blindness
- Experience working with infants and toddlers
- Excellent communication and organizational skills
- Strong time management skills
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision
- Ability to work effectively with diverse groups
- Ability to travel regionally and attend statewide events
- Ability to utilize technology for distance meetings and webinars

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

All offers of employment from Kansas State School for the Blind (KSSB) are contingent upon background check results and any applicable workplace references. Background checks are completed via the KS Bureau of Investigation, Backgrounds Plus consents, Kansas Department of Children and Family Services, Dru Sjodin National Sexual Offender Registry, and the KDHE CCL Background Check. KSSB may contact previous employers for workplace references. **Successful candidates must complete a tuberculosis (TB) test (and any required follow-up treatment) and provide a physician's statement prior to the start date. These requirements must be completed by a licensed medical provider, and any associated costs are the employee's responsibility.**

APPLICATION: Open Until Filled. For consideration, please email hr@kssdb.org and request an application be sent for completion. Copies of all college transcripts and any applicable licenses will be required.

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