

Article X2 Classified Staff with Licensure

X2.1 Classified staff with licensure (CSL) are Board Licensed medical professionals such as Occupational Therapy Assistants (OTA), Physical Therapy Assistants (PTA), and Speech-Language Pathologist Assistants (SLPA) or similar positions requiring licenses.

X2.2 The District will support Licensed Specialist Teams (CSL + Occupational Therapist (OT), Physical Therapist (PT), or Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP), assigned to co-treat) to remain in accordance with state laws of said licensing boards at all times, including level of supervision, documentation, etc.

(a) If the ESD receives a report of noncompliance from a licensing board the District will comply with the board's recommendations.

(b) No CSL shall lose wages, or otherwise take any loss, due to the ceasing of services while waiting for approval from their licensing board.

X2.3 License Requirements

(a) The ESD shall reimburse CSLs for license related costs to maintain current position such as renewals and fees.

X2.4 Classified staff with licensure shall be:

(a) Assigned one SPED administrator as the Primary Evaluator and Supervisor. The designated administrator will complete a biannual formal evaluation.

(b) Excluded from building specific duties and requirements such as but not limited to: bus duty, crossing guard, recess/hall duty, assignments, and toileting, etc. in accordance with state law. Further, CSLs may be excluded from School/ESD training when approved by their Supervisor and provided with alternative work or training.

(c) Permitted to miss student facing time for the purposes of attending department and Specialists meetings, CEUs, and trainings with prior permission of their supervisor.

(d) Provided access to the equivalent resources as certified licensed specialists (OTs, PTs, and SLPs) such as but not limited to: Equipment, workspace and storage space, supplies, technology, software, subscriptions, programs, apps, data tiers, computer, iPad, and access to school items required for general needs (keys, locking file cabinets, school master schedules, facilities requests, etc.).

(e) Provided a typical workday of eight (8) hours, inclusive of a paid meal period, to align with certified licensed specialists.

X2.5 Medicaid Billing

(f) It is understood that all CSLs may bill Medicaid in accordance with OHA/ODE guidelines, district procedure and job descriptions.

(g) CSLs may request up to five (5) additional days per year for the purposes of completing Medicaid billing.