Senior Specialist
Southwest

Location: Southwest Region (TX)

The Senior Specialist position supports all aspects of NIET’s implementation and management of district and school improvement services to include professional development, trainings, coaching, general partnership support, the school review process and evaluation, and special projects, as assigned. The specialist has primary responsibility for ensuring educator effectiveness is improved and outcomes are met in our varied partnerships. This position reports to a director appointed by the CEO or designee. Duties may include, but are not limited to the following:

**Professional Development Services and Technical Support (75%)**

**Professional development, training, and coaching**
- Provide in-person and virtual professional development, training, coaching, and support to district leaders, school leaders, teacher leaders, and teachers to improve educator effectiveness that leads to student growth
- Work with district and school teams to identify needs (using data and evidence gathered from a variety of sources) and determine strategies to support these needs through tailored training and coaching
- Study and apply research and best practices to strengthen current professional knowledge and the professional development delivered; at times develop training, support tools, and protocols that incorporate new learning and research to best support educator effectiveness within a partnership
- Collaborate and seek advisement from his/her director and/or other NIET specialists and leaders to be prepared and maximally effective in achieving high-quality professional learning outcomes with each audience/partnership

**Technical support, evaluation, and thought-partnership**
- Foster a relationship of support and collaboration with each district and school partner; understand partner’s goals and desired outcomes from NIET leadership in order to best meet expectations
- Serve as a resource and thought-partner to enhance district and school leader proficiency in implementing school improvement practices and in building their knowledge of exemplary leadership and instructional practices to improve educator effectiveness
- Work with an assigned group of schools to ensure fidelity of program and service implementation
- Provide ongoing evaluative feedback to district/school partners to enable immediate adjustments as necessary to ensure success
- Support partners in their use of NIET’s online platforms, including data management systems

**Other Duties Designated by Chief Executive Officer or Designee (20%)**
- Use expertise to support NIET initiatives and operations, including policy development, grant writing, project development, service delivery, or serving on work teams
- Develop and conduct presentations at conferences and other national events
- Perform other duties as assigned

**Professional Learning (5%)**
- Set, define, and implement professional improvement goals and opportunities to increase his/her own continued ability to grow educator effectiveness that leads to student growth. Collaborate with his/her director/manager to set, define, and implement within the year.

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