# Government of Tuvalu – Job Description



Position Title:	Principal – Motufoua Secondary School	
Band and Salary:	T1-T3	\$15,448 - \$29,287
Ministry and Department:	Education and Human Resource Development	Youth Department
Location:	Motufoua Secondary School, Vaitupu Island	
Reports to:	Director of Education	

### JOB PURPOSE:

The Principal is responsible for the overall operation of Motufoua Secondary School (MSS) with a major purpose to provide strategic direction and manage the day-to-day operation in the school system

#### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- 1. Provide strategic direction for the school, in close collaboration with Education Department.
- 2. Manage and provide support to the students, teachers and support staff of the school.
- 3. Link MSS to the Education Department and the Ministry and other stakeholders and vice
- 4. Ensure that quality teaching and learning are delivered in MSS, in order to elevate MSS a center of Excellence
- 5. Manage and monitor human resource, assets, infrastructure facilities, budget and data in MSS
- 6. Create and provide a safe environment that is conducive for learning and working

**MAIN DUTIES AND OUTCOMES:** (list duties/tasks and outcomes of the responsibilities listed above)

- 1.1 Supervise school's staff and oversee day to day school operations
- 1.2 Prepare annual work plan, strategic plans and other forms of plans and policies, in close collaboration and or consultations with MSS Staff and Education Department.
- 1.3 Review policies and procedures where necessary
- 1.4 Implements key priorities that are spelt out in National Strategic Plans (Te Kete and 21 Priorities), TESP IV, the Education Act, regulations and policies.
- 2.1 Organize professional developments (PDs) for staff
- 2.2 Provide clear logistical instructions to student and staff
- 2.3 Provide mechanisms and systems, such as special classes and support groups, which motivate students and/or support students' learning

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- 2.4 Provide guidance and counseling to students and staff
- 2.5 Implement and manage a performance management system (orientation/induction, professional guidance and support, appraisals and increments) for all staffs
- 2.6 Provide mechanisms that allow staff to freely reveal their grievances and also suggestions
- 2.7 Manage and provide support to all students. in all aspects of life (academics octal, physical and spiritual)
- 3.1 Provide brief quarterly reports to Director of Education, regarding major programs, achievements and challenges
- 3.2 Ensure that MSS maintains or strengthens its evergreen relationship with Vaitupu Island community and all other relevant stakeholders.
- 3.3 Promptly provide required information to Minister and Secretary
- 3.4 Deliver information to the public i.e. to raise public awareness, in relation to its (MSS's) internal programs and activities
- 4.1 Setting performance objectives for students and teachers
- 4.2 Monitor and reports/appraise teachers' and support staff's performance
- 4.3 Research new resources and teaching methods/techniques to improve teaching
- 4.4 Ensure that school curriculum (and syllabi) are reviewed to maintain their relevancies and validities, in relation to the context of Tuvalu
- 4.5 Identify areas for improvement and strategically bridge those gaps
- 4.6 Ensure that Tuvaluan values are taught to and learned by students
- 4.7 Search for and offer variety of and relevant programs/subjects- academic and vocational- for students
- 5.1 Administer and manage allocated budget and assets of the school
- 5.2 Work on MSS annual budget, in collaboration with MSS Management Committee and Education Department
- 5.3 Facilitate school census activity, update assets register, and data collection processes for school records and TEMIS
- 5.4 Regularly check and monitor school's infrastructural facilities (dormitories, classrooms, water storage facilities, chapel etc.) and facilitate maintenance and renovation works.
- 5.5 Value and preserve historical landmarks/buildings/facilities in MSS
- 5.6 Manage human resource (work-force) and ensure all vacancies are filled accordingly
- 6.1 Manage and implement and evacuation and safety plan for the whole of school
- 6.2 Discipline students accordingly to school policy and enforce school rules
- 6.3 Set up mechanism that minimize and expunge bullying and to advocate against bullying in MSS.
- 6.4 Identify possible risk in school, and prepare solutions for those risks.

### **MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS:**

- A Master Degree in Education (with post-graduate certificate or diploma either in leadership or management or relevant field)
- 2. A minimum of five 5 years of work experience in Secondary Teaching with at least three (3) years' experience in the senior management
- 3. Good knowledge and understanding on behavioral management and educational leadership
- 4. Have graduate with GCSL (Graduate Certificate in School Leadership)

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### **DESIRABLE REQUIREMENTS:**

Good written and oral communication skills (Tuvaluan and English)
Sound Microsoft Office and computer skills
High-level attention to detail and accuracy
Ability to respect and liaise with a range of stakeholders
Sound time management skills
Ability to listen to students' and staff grievances
Have the will power to work overtime or outside working hours

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## Applicants through their applications MUST:

- (i) Address all the qualification requirements of the job description.
- (ii) Address each of the responsibilities of the job as listed in the job description indicating how best he/she can carry out those responsibilities satisfactorily and at the same time add value to the job.
- (iii) The response in each case in (i) and (ii) must reflect the information in the CV; and the job application checklist.

It is expected that officers recognize the cross-cutting nature of gender issues; the roles and responsibilities in this job description should be performed by taking into account a sector integration of gender perspectives.