CHCEDS320A

Set up and sustain individual and small group learning areas

Description

This unit covers the basic establishment and organisation of individual and/or small group learning environments, such as a home based classroom, activity area in a classroom or library, or a virtual schooling area

It involves constructing and sustaining a physical environment that supports student learning and encourages effective management processes

Employability Skills

This unit contains Employability Skills

Application

This unit applies to education support work in a variety of contexts and work is to be undertaken with appropriate guidance, support and supervision by a nominated teacher or other education professional

ELEMENT

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- 1. Create a positive physical learning space
- 1.1 Construct a learning space that is within family, vocational and/or budgetary constraints
- 1.2 Select and set-up furnishings and fittings that are suitable for a variety of learning activities
- 1.3 Accommodate multi-age requirements within a learning space
- 1.4 Use displays, posters and accessories conducive to learning
- 2. Organise learning resources
- 2.1 Organise learning resources that are suitable to the learner and the education support worker
- 2.2 Establish storage and retrieval procedures to support learning
- 2.3 Place resources for access depending on student's age, family and limitations
- 2.4 Prepare resources for assessment and dispatch
- 2.5 Instruct learners on how to use the resource organisation system
- Demonstrate awareness of occupational health and safety (OHS) issues
- 3.1 Store resources and equipment safely
- 3.2 Provide appropriate learning environment, such as desk and chair
- 3.3 Provide adequate ventilation and lighting in work area
- 3.4 Demonstrate awareness of *OHS issues,* including *when working outside*

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- 4. Prepare to provide education support to students
- 4.1 Prepare activities and daily requirements in advance with reference to *support mechanisms* where necessary
- 4.2 Establish daily routines
- 4.3 Clarify and confirm understanding of school / teacher requirements and ensure consistent interpretation and application
- 4.4 Review progress on a weekly basis and identify future requirements
- 5. Manage a learning timetable
- 5.1 Ensure learning timetable demonstrates understanding of *work-life balance*
- 5.2 Schedule learning activities appropriately
- 5.3 Coordinate content of learning activities to provide an appropriate timetable structure
- 5.4 Manage interruptions and *contingencies* with minimum disruption to learning

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

Essential knowledge:

The candidate must be able to demonstrate essential knowledge required to effectively perform task skills; task management skills; contingency management skills and job/role environment skills as outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit

These include knowledge of:

- Relevant legislation from all levels of government that affects organisation operation, especially in regard to OHS and environmental issues, child protection, anti-discrimination and copyright
- Management of resources
- Positive learning environment
- · Learning technologies

Essential skills:

It is critical that the candidate demonstrate the ability to:

- Use communication skills to provide information to and gain feedback from learners and teachers
- Use literacy skills to document environment and resource organisation
- Undertake problem solving
- Use planning and organisation skills, including time management, organisation of material and resources
- · Use contingency management skills

RANGE STATEMENT

OHS issues when working outside may include but are not limited to:

- Sun safety
- Environmental hazards
- Hydration
- Vision protection

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Support mechanisms may include:

- Teacher/facilitator
- Peers/tutors/mentors
- Technical experts/learning specialists
- Print –based materials
- Off-site learning environment
- Training materials

Work-life balance includes:

- Including rest and relaxation in routines
- Providing adequate time for work and play
- Prioritising as required to ensure various work objectives are achieved

Schedule learning activities may include:

- Ensure variety in student activity schedule
- Sequence activities as directed by teachers
- Arrange learning activities around other business or family priorities
- Schedule activities to align with school contact times
- Take into account travel time
- Ensure the schedule includes meal times and play breaks

Contingencies may include:

- Conflict with social or vocational parameters
- Insufficient dedicated time available
- Vocational priorities take precedence
- Equipment malfunction
- · Materials delayed
- Accidents or emergencies