

MESCALERO APACHE TRIBE

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Position Title: Payroll Clerk

Department: Finance

Employment Status: Non-Exempt Payrange: NE8

Opening Date: March 5, 2025 Closing Date: March 21, 2025

Job Summary

Assists in the organization's payroll productions and reporting. Ensures compliance with applicable regulations, including time and attendance systems and all related payroll tax compliance.

This position description may not include all of the listed duties, nor do all of the listed examples include all tasks which may be found or assigned to this position.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Calculates and inputs wages and deductions, including rents, taxes, loans, insurance and pension premiums, garnishments, child support, and other payroll deductions into computerized payroll system.
- Ensures accurate time records and balances, by effectively posting timesheets, reviewing data, and correcting errors and discrepancies.
- Assists in processing payroll for employees by collecting, calculating and transferring or entering employee's hours.
- Assists in setting up employees and maintains time clocks and time clock database.
- Assists in ensuring accurate payroll for regular staff, generates payroll checks, and reconciles payroll checks. Calculates retroactive payments as necessary.
- Assists in processing of retirement payments.
- Coordinates payroll matters with other departments and assists department timekeepers.
- Researches records for payroll-related inquiries.
- Verifies direct deposit file accurately posts to employee accounts.
- Works with Human Resources department to coordinate employee benefit deductions.
- Assists with preliminary reconciliation to the General Ledger to ensure proper payroll allocations.
- Assists in compiling data for audits.
- Assists with year-end processing of W-2's and 1099's.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications

- High School Diploma or GED.
- Bachelor's Degree in Finance or Accounting preferred.
- Two years payroll experience.
- Must have strong computer skills.
- Excellent ten-key and data entry skills.
- Must possess valid State driver's license and meet Tribal insurance standards.
- Must successfully pass a pre-employment drug/alcohol screen and background investigation.
- Selection will comply with "Tribal Preference Hiring" Ordinance 06-02.

Tribal preference and Native American Indian preference shall apply to all positions.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Knowledge of tax regulations.
- Knowledge of the payroll aspects of employee benefits policies, procedures, and reporting requirements.
- Knowledge of research methods and techniques.
- Knowledge of payroll processing methods.
- Skill in account balancing.
- Skill using 10-key, inventory and accounting software.
- Skill in operating business computers and office machines, including in a Windows environment, specifically Word, Excel, Access, and presentation software (such as PowerPoint).
- Ability to accurately enter information into computer systems.
- Ability to make procedural decisions and judgments involving sensitive and confidential issues under stressful conditions.
- Ability to utilize and manage automated payroll and/or human resources information systems.
- Ability to write reports and business correspondence.
- Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing.
- Ability to establish and maintain professional relationships with individuals of varying social and cultural backgrounds and with co-workers at all levels.
- Ability to follow instructions in verbal and written format.
- Ability to use good judgment and foresight.

Physical Demands

While performing the duties of this job, the employee regularly is required to sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; and talk and hear. The employee frequently is required to stand, walk, climb or balance; and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds.

Work Environment

Work is generally performed in an office or indoor setting with a moderate noise level. Evening, weekend, and/or holiday may be required.

Please submit an Application for Employment or resumé to the Human Resources Department, 575-464-9276. Applications are available on the Tribal website, www.mescaleroapachetribe.com/careers/.