

ATHLETIC TRAINER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work of this class involves professional athletic training services for high school athletic programs under the direction of the school physician or by written referral from a physician and under the general supervision of the school Athletic Director. Employees of this class will follow the Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics set forth by the National Athletic Trainers Association within the parameters of the New York State Athletic Trainers licensing law. An Athletic Trainer does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

- Establish and maintain an effective athletic training program for student athletes;
- Provide First Aid and injury assessment/treatment/rehabilitation/reconditioning for student-athletes;
- Make appropriate physician referral;
- Maintain accurate records of injuries and treatments for sports injuries;
- Administer baseline concussion testing for high school and modified athletes;
- Provide coverage at home athletic events and practices throughout the school year;
- Provide away coverage for varsity football as well as other sports during playoffs;
- Supervise the clearance of injured athletes during the sports season;
- Maintain a line of communication with the school physician regarding health care and recommended treatment/rehabilitation of all athletic injuries;
- Maintain a line of communication with the coaches on the care and treatment of student-athletes;
- Oversee the management of and the ordering of supplies and equipment for the athletic training room;
- Equip each team with appropriate medical equipment;
- Assist the coaching staff in implementing and evaluating sport-specific conditioning programs;

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND PERSONAL

CHARACTERISTICS: Good knowledge of the information and techniques needed to diagnose and treat human injuries, diseases, and deformities; knowledge of principles, methods, and procedures for rehabilitation of physical dysfunctions; good knowledge of training/instructional methods and procedures appropriate for student athletes, coaches and/or parents; knowledge of universal hygiene precautions; skill in the application of medical techniques; ability to instruct patients and staff in health practices; ability to evaluate athletes' readiness to play; ability to establish and maintain effective relationships with students of various economic and cultural backgrounds; ability to operate a motor vehicle when it is required; tact; good judgment; emotional stability, initiative, and resourcefulness; physical condition sufficient to perform the essential functions of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: In accordance with New York Education Law, Title 8, Article 162, Section 8355, must possess and maintain licensure as an Athletic Trainer.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Maintain current certification in CPR/Emergency Cardiac Care.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: In agencies where required, possess and maintain an appropriate class Motor Vehicle Operator's license.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS / BOCES:

Per regulations of the Commissioner of Education, to be employed in a position designated by a school district or BOCES as involving direct contact with students, a clearance for employment from the State Education Department is required.

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