ATHLETIC TRAINER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves responsibility for the application of principles, methods and procedures for managing athletic injuries, which shall include the preconditioning, conditioning and reconditioning of an individual athlete who has suffered an athletic injury through the use of appropriate preventative and supportive devices under the supervision of a physician and recognizing illness and referring to the appropriate medical professional with implementation of treatment pursuant to physician’s orders. The incumbent manages and supervises all athletic injuries and the return to play. In addition, the Athletic Trainer is a member of the district’s concussion management team (CMT). General supervision is received by the Director of Health, Athletics and Physical Education with leeway to use independent judgment. Supervision is not a responsibility of this class.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative Only)

- Attends all practices and home contests, when possible, attends away varsity football contests and other sectional contests;
- Assists in the day-to-day operation of the interscholastic athletic department;
- Set up, supervise and maintain the athletic training program, injury treatment equipment and district fitness center;
- Assists with scheduling;
- Assists schools district nurses in all concussion cases and serves as a manager for all students returning to physical education after a concussion;
- Serves as a liaison between school physician, athletes, coaches and parents;
- Provides mandatory First Aid, CPR/AED, Concussion Management Protocol and Blood Borne Pathogens training to all coaches and staff;
- Maintains daily injury records on all injured student-athletes;
- Performs other non-administrative duties as assigned by the Director of Health, Athletics and Physical Education;
- Provides professional development training and services to district employees and departments: First Aid, CPR/AED, Concussion Management, Management Protocol and Blood Borne Pathogens training, fitness training and nutrition program;
- Maintains inventory of all medical supplies and manages the annual budget;
- Assists coaches in developing pre-season and off-season conditioning and nutrition programs;
- Does related work as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS ABILITIES, AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

- Good knowledge of child abuse identification and reporting techniques;
- Ability to identify illegal drugs and detect signs of abuse;
- Ability to exercise good judgment;
- Ability to exercise strong leadership skills with the ability to supervise others;
- Ability to communicate effectively in English, both orally and in writing;
- Ability to demonstrate interpersonal skills to relate well with students, staff, administration, parents and the community;
- Integrity;
- Good moral character;
- Initiative;
- Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATION:**
Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university or one accredited by the New York State Board of Regents to grant degrees with a Bachelor’s degree or higher in Athletic Training or Sports Medicine and two (2) years of experience as a certified athletic trainer.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:**
Possession of a National Athletic Trainers Certificate from the National Athletic Trainers Association or completion of a course of study comparable to that required for certification by the National Athletic Trainers Association at the time of appointment.