INSTRUCTIONAL COMPUTER TECHNICIAN  
(Albany School District)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This position assists the City School District’s Technology Department in activities relating to the use of personal computers for instructional purposes. The incumbent supports instructional computing operations including applications and courseware in-service training to faculty members, maintenance of software, installation of new equipment, technical support and troubleshooting. Duties involve the general operation and technical support of a variety of personal computer networking operations, including knowledge of hardware and peripherals, operating systems and instructional software. Work is performed under the general supervision of the Director of the Technology with leeway permitted for the exercise of independent judgment in the carrying out of the details of the work. Supervision over others is not typical of this class.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

- Assists in the installation, support, testing and maintenance of instructional networking systems;
- Provides technical support that includes assistance in the use of local area networks, hard and floppy disk drives, modems, multiplexes and other telecommunications devices;
- Performs limited field service troubleshooting and minor repairs;
- Conducts in-service training of faculty members on hardware and software operation;
- Backs up records regularly;
- Provides support relating to the operation of personal computer lab projects including the maintenance of records and files, and the utilization of telecommunications capabilities;
- Assists in the development and operation of district-wide software libraries including accessioning and inventorying;
- Conducts in-service training on instructional computing applications and courseware, and prepares appropriate documentation;
- Advises in the selection of hardware and software;
- Aids in the legal duplication of materials and the transfer of software from floppy to the hard drive mediums;
- Assists in the installation of new personal computer equipment, and installs and tests upgrades to existing hardware and software;
- Conducts hardware and software field service troubleshooting in case of malfunction;
- Assists in the processing of requisitions for the purchase of new hardware and software;
- Receives problem reports and works with appropriate staff to resolve them;
- Maintains an appropriate inventory of hardware and makes reports an necessary;
- Assists in the development of material through the use of computer graphics, desktop publishing, and electronic bulletin boards;

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• Performs related work as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

• Good knowledge of Windows operating systems;
• Working knowledge of systems such as graphics packages, telecommunications packages, desktop publishing, and managed instructional programs;
• Working knowledge of educational instruction and curriculum;
• Strong oral communications skills;
• Ability to work well with others;
• Integrity;
• Good judgement;
• Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

A. Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university or one accredited by the NYS Board of Regents to grant degrees with a Bachelor’s Degree with a strong emphasis (6 or more hours) in computer science, data processing or a related field; OR

B. Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or one accredited by the NYS Board of Regents to grant degrees with an Associate’s Degree in computer science, data processing, or a related field with at least one (1) year paid fulltime experience using a personal computer; OR

C. An equivalent combination of training and experience as defined by the limits of (A) and (B) above.

NOTE: Submission of college transcript required.

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