

CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINER

Minimum Qualifications:

Certified athletic trainers have fulfilled the requirement for certification established by the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification, Inc. (NATABOC). The certification examination administered by the NATABOC consists of a written portion with multiple choice questions, a practical section that evaluates the skill components of the domains within athletic training and a written simulation test, consisting of athletic training related situations designed to approximate real-life decision making. This last portion of the test evaluates athletic trainers' ability to resolve cases similar to those they might encounter in actual practice. The examination covers a variety of topics within the six practice domains of athletic training:

1. Prevention
2. Recognition, Evaluation, Assessment
3. Immediate Care
4. Treatment, Rehabilitation and Reconditioning
5. Organization and Administration
6. Professional Development and Responsibility

Once athletic trainers pass the certification examination proving skills and knowledge within each of the six domains, they use the designation "ATC" or "CAT."

Reports to: Athletic Director

Essential Job Functions-Distinguishing Features of the Class:

The Certified Athletic Trainer is a highly education and skilled professional specializing in athletic health care. In cooperation with physicians and other allied health personnel. The athletic trainer functions as an integral member of the athletic health care team in secondary schools, colleges and universities, sport medicine clinics professional sports programs, and other athletic health care settings.

Performance Responsibilities-Typical Work Activities:

1. Typical day of a certified athletic trainer varies with the level of competition and other institutional requirements.
2. Some high school athletic trainers are hired by school systems and may also teach.
3. These individuals must manage their time carefully to ensure students receive professional academic instruction in the classroom and quality health care in athletic endeavors.

Terms of Employment: Annual appointment by the Board of Education

Evaluation: Performance is evaluated School Business Executive

This description is intended to identify minimum qualifications to perform the responsibilities required by the position and to provide illustrative duties. It is not necessarily an all-inclusive list of specific duties.