

# **Job Description**

Educational Technician III for Special Education Full-time position (approximately 32.5 hours per week for 180 teacher days)

#### **Nature of the Position**

An Educational Technician may assist teachers in a learning center, special education classroom, functional life skills classroom, or in mainstream classes, with instruction of special education students, implementation of classroom programs, and with classroom management functions.

## **Accountability**

The Educational Technician takes daily guidance and task direction from the classroom teachers/case managers whom this position supports but reports to the Middle School Principal in fulfilling all duties.

# **Job Requirements**

- 1. Ability to operate as a team member
- 2. Ability to adapt to the demands of special education programming
- 3. Ability to support classroom routines and individual student learning goals and needs
- 4. Ability to instruct students one-on-one and in small groups for specific programming tasks
- 5. Ability to support behavior management programming to help foster a classroom climate conducive to learning, including de-escalation and physical restraint
- 6. Ability to interact and support adolescents in a professional manner
- 7. Strong organizational, communication, and group process skills
- 8. Ability to provide maximum assistance for personal care needs
- 9. Ability to maintain confidentiality

### **Performance Responsibilities**

Tasks for this position include but are not limited to:

- Assisting classroom teacher/case manager to ensure that individual student learning goals are implemented.
- Maintaining necessary documentation to support student/programming needs.
- Assisting with in-class work completion and assignments as directed by the teacher.

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- Acting as a liaison between mainstream teacher, special education teacher, and student.
- Notifying teacher/case manager and the Assistant Special Education Director of pertinent issues and concerns.
- Assisting with daily student/classroom activities, as well as supervising students before classes and during transitions.
- Assisting students with hygiene routines (i.e. hand washing, buttons, zippers, changing clothes and bathroom routines).
- Providing personal care assistance to students, as needed.
- Transporting students to training sites off campus and operating as a job coach.
- Creating and introducing learning concepts to students, with consultation from teacher/case manager.
- Assisting in the preparation of instructional materials.
- Supporting the Special Education department responsibilities as assigned by the Assistant Director of Special Education.

## Qualifications

Previous experience working with adolescents in an educational setting Maintain a valid Educational Technician III authorization from the State of Maine A valid Maine driver's license

### **Required Application Process**

All those interested in applying must submit:

- School application form (available for download at <a href="www.thorntonacademy.org">www.thorntonacademy.org</a>)
- Letter of interest
- Transcript of any college coursework
- List of three references with contact information

All materials should be submitted electronically to lisa.estabrook@thorntonacademy.org. If electronic submission is not possible, materials may be mailed or delivered to:

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