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Course: Sports Medicine III
PEIMS Code: N1150044
Abbreviation: SPORTMD3
Grade Level(s): 11-12
Number of Credits: 1.0

Course description:

This course will provide a logical progression for students that have advanced through the sports medicine courses and provide them with an opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills they have gained to athletic injury recognition, evaluation, management, treatment, and rehabilitation through research investigations and applications related to sports medicine. The course will provide opportunities for advanced students in the sports medicine program to research, investigate, prepare, and present article reviews, case studies, research projects, visual poster presentations, and multimedia presentations on instructor-approved topics. The athletic training students will continue to perform the assigned duties and responsibilities in the operation of the athletic training room under the supervision of a licensed athletic trainer. These duties will prepare the students to apply the knowledge and skills acquired in the sports medicine course curriculum. The required duties will be a portion of the grade earned in the course.

Teacher qualifications:

A teacher of the Texas State Athletic Trainers Association (TSATA) Sports Medicine I, II, and III courses must hold a valid Texas secondary teacher certificate. School district board of trustees have the option to issue a school district teaching permit (SDTP) for individuals who are not certified to teach. The type of SDTP for sports medicine courses would be for “Courses Other than Noncore Academic CTE Courses.” Additionally, the instructor of any TSATA Sports Medicine innovative course must—
1. be a licensed athletic trainer by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation;
2. have completed the TSATA Sports Medicine Instructor’s Curriculum Course; and
3. hold the TSATA Sports Medicine Instructor certificate.
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[Note: As directed on the form, the employing school district submits the completed application form. The district retains all supporting documents of the candidate's qualifications for five years after the last day of employment with the district.]

For more information about the instructor course please visit http://www.tsata.com/sports-medicine-course/
For more Information on school district teaching permits, visit the TEA webpage at http://tea.texas.gov/index2.aspx?id=25769812546.

Additional information:

Districts must contact owner of the course directly. Please contact Michael Stephens, Texas State Athletic Trainers Association, Trainerex@earthlink.net, directly for information regarding this course.