

## GA School Recruitment Letter

Greetings,

Thank you for your interest in the Baylor High School Graduate Assistant Athletic Trainer Program. This program is overseen by Southwest Sports Medicine and Orthopaedics. The purpose of this program is to place a Certified and Texas Licensed Athletic Trainer at a school district to provide high quality healthcare for their student athletes. While serving as an Athletic Trainer, the GA will be pursuing a Master's Degree at Baylor from one of the programs offered in department of Health, Human Performance, and Recreation Department. These programs are all two years in length. Below are some additional details about the program that might help you in presenting this to your respective school board, or leadership team.

### **Stipends and Work Hours**

Each GA that is hired and accepted into the Graduate School will receive a monthly stipend, and tuition waiver from Baylor University. Essentially, this program is a community grant run through Baylor. Terms of this grant state that GA's will complete 20 hours of athletic coverage and treatment per week. During their two year appointment, GAs must maintain a 3.0 GPA. Student falling below this level will be placed on academic probation resulting in a loss of their stipend until their GPA returns to the required level.

### **Costs Involved**

The grant program is funded by both the school district and Southwest Sports Medicine. The tuitions waiver is provided by Baylor University and is not paid for by the school district or Southwest Sports Medicine. The school district is responsible for providing approximately \$10,800 toward the GAs stipend while \$2500 is funded through Southwest Sports Medicine. Because the GA will only receive approximately \$1000 per month as a stipend, it is requested that school districts within a 30 minute drive from Baylor provide an additional \$2,000 for a gas stipend while those schools over 30 minutes from campus provide \$4,500.

### **Current School Districts**

Here is a list of the current school districts that have a GA:

- Axtell
- Bruceville-Eddy
- Clifton
- Crawford
- Hillsboro
- McGregor
- Riesel
- West
- Whitney

Should you have any questions please contact Jody Moore @ 254-715-1727.