

## WEYMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### **Position: Unified Sports Coach**

**Reports to:** High School Principal or Designee

### **SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this position is to instruct athletes in the fundamental skills, strategy and physical training necessary for them to realize a degree of individual and team success. At the same time, the students shall receive instruction that will lead to the formulation of moral values, pride of accomplishment, acceptable social behavior, self-discipline, sportsmanship and service to others.

### **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Other duties may be assigned.**

1. Oversees the administration of the Weymouth High School Unified Sports team by season. The team is composed of a proportional number of students with disabilities and students without disabilities.
2. Liaison regularly with the school's Principal or Athletic Director and Special Olympics MA (SOMA) to ensure quality program standards are being met and policies are being followed.
3. Develop and implement practice plans in which instruction is provided to all participants. There are a minimum of two practices each week.
4. Organize and lead all practice sessions with the recruitment and support of Assistant Coaches.
5. Impart the philosophy of a positive inclusive sports experience by following the principles of Unified Sports®.
6. Plan and manage competition strategies for individuals and the team at games/ meets.
7. Recruit students with intellectual disabilities, students with other types of disabilities, and students without disabilities for the team.
8. Handle all paperwork requirements and forms required by the school district and Special Olympics MA (SOMA)
9. If serving as a host site for a Unified meet/game, recruit and train volunteers to manage the event.
10. Complies with school and MIAA policies and regulations
11. Complies with school and Conference/League policies and regulations
12. Works cooperatively with the school staff
13. Relates positively to parents and other community representatives
14. Completes required records and reports with promptness and accuracy
15. Assumes responsibility for care of equipment and facilities
16. Assumes responsibility for a safe environment for student athletes
17. Models positive behaviors, especially with regard to sportsmanship and the alcohol, tobacco and drug rules
18. Maintains and inventories all equipment and supplies
19. Acts as liaison person in relating the program to the staff, administration, general public, and local news media
20. Complete the free online 90 minutes Special Olympics Unified Sports Coaches' course prior to the beginning of a season
21. Coaching experience in any sport and Special Education certification preferred