Educational Support Staff: Partners in Creating A Caring Learning Community

Educational Professional Support Services
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Education and Training Programs of Study

Teaching and Training
Administration and Administrative Support

Professional Support Services
Programs of Study

Source: AchieveTexas
Program Profiles

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Variety of Opportunities

Source: AchieveTexas
Career and Cluster Videos
(click on link)
Professional Support Services Careers
Examples of Careers

• Audiologist
• Occupational Therapist
• Physical Therapist
• School Counselor
• Speech-Language Pathologist
• School Psychologist
• School Social Worker
• Vision Specialist
Audiologist
Audiologist

• Median pay: $69,720.00/year
• Number of jobs 2012: 13,000
Duties and Responsibilities

• Examine students who have hearing, balance or related ear problems
• Counsel students and their families
• See students regularly
Environment

• Full-time position

Education

• Doctoral degree in audiology (Au.D.)
• Licensed by the state
• Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology (CCC-A)
• American Board of Audiology
Occupational Therapist
Occupational Therapist

- Median pay: $75,400.00/year
- Number of jobs 2012: 113,200
Duties and Responsibilities

- Treat students for disabilities
- Demonstrate exercises for students
- Recommend special equipment for students
Environment

• 12% of all OT work in the educational setting
• Full-time position

Education

• Master’s degree
• License by the National Board of Certification in Occupational Therapy
• American Occupational Therapy Association
Physical Therapist
Physical Therapist

- Median pay: $79,860.00/year
- Number of jobs 2012: 204,200
Duties and Responsibilities

• See students and families regularly
• Arrange care plans for students
• Help students perform exercises
• Evaluate student progress
Environment

- Full-time position
- Evenings and weekends

Education

- Doctoral of Physical Therapy (DPT)
- Physical Therapist Centralized Application Services
- Residency for one year
- Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy
- American Board of Physical Therapy Specialists
Physical Therapist Careers

Physical Therapist
(click on link)

Image: Bureau of Labor Statistics
School Counselor
School Counselor

- Median pay: $53,610.00/year
- Number of jobs 2012: 262,300
Duties and Responsibilities

- Counsel students
- Work with teachers, staff and parents
- Classroom guidance
- Refer students and families for additional support
Environment

• Full-time position
• Summers off

Education

• Master’s degree in school counseling
• 1-2 years of classroom teaching experience
• 2,000-3,000 hours of clinical supervision
• National Board of Certified Counselors
JOB SHADOW A SCHOOL COUNSELOR

School Counselor
(click on link)

Image: Bureau of Labor Statistics
Speech-language Pathologist
Speech-language Pathologist

- Median pay: $68,870.00/year
- Number of jobs 2012: 134,100
Duties and Responsibilities

• Work with students with speech or communication disabilities
• Create individualized care plans
Environment

• Full-time position
• Summers off

Education

• Masters degree
• American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Rewards of the Profession

Become an Audiologist and Reward Yourself with a Career that Helps Others

(click on link)

Speech-language pathologists working in schools may meet regularly with individual students or groups of students.

Image: Bureau of Labor Statistics
Speech-Language Pathologist
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Speech-language pathologists must be able to listen to and communicate with their patient in order to determine the right course of treatment.

Image: Bureau of Labor Statistics
School Psychologist
School Psychologist

- Median pay: $69,280.00/year
- Number of jobs 2012: 160,200
Duties and Responsibilities

• Work with students to treat:
  • Mental
  • Emotional
  • Behavioral
Environment

- Full-time position
- Summers off

Education

- Ph.D. in psychology or a doctoral of psychology (Psy.D.)
- State license
- Supervised program
- Internship
- Residency program
School Social Worker
School Social Worker

- Median pay: $44,200.00/year
- Number of jobs 2012: 607,300

Image: Bureau of Labor Statistics
Duties and Responsibilities

• Work with teachers, parents and staff to create plans to improve social development
  • Aggression
  • Bullying
  • Absences
Environment
• Full-time position
• Summers off

Education
• Bachelors degree in social work
Vision Specialist

• Median pay: $55,060.00/year
• Number of jobs 2012: 442,800
Duties and Responsibilities

• Provides Braille instruction
• Provides adaptive materials
• Works with students, families, teachers and staff
• Creates instructional plans for students
Environment

• Full-time position
• Summers off

Education

• Bachelor’s degree in education or a related field
• Teaching certificate
• Vision impairment certificate
Questions?
References and Resources

Images:

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Books:

• Early Childhood Education Today, Twelfth Edition by George S. Morrison
  This book is a great resource on early childhood education. It covers the foundation of education, programs and resources for children and families, educational needs of infants through the primary grades and the special needs of children and families.

• Introduction To Teaching: Becoming A Professional. (Fifth ed.). by Don Kauchak & Paul Eggen
  For any student going into the teaching profession, this is an excellent choice. It is an easy read for students on all levels. It covers the changing teaching profession, the foundations of education and how to become an effective teacher.

Websites:

• AchieveTexas
  AchieveTexas College and Career Initiative is an education initiative designed to prepare students for a lifetime of success. It allows students to achieve excellence by preparing them for secondary and postsecondary opportunities, career preparation and advancement, meaningful work, and active citizenship.
  http://www.achievetexas.org/

• American School Counselor Association (ASCA)
  The ASCA provides information about how to become a school counselor. It also provides current school counselors with resources such as periodicals and information related to professional development conferences.
  http://www.schoolcounselor.org/

• Bureau of Labor Statistics
  Teacher’s guide: Occupational Outlook Handbook
  http://www.bls.gov/ooh/about/teachers-guide.htm
References and Resources

- Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE)
  Advisor Handbook – Competitive Events
  [https://www.tafeonline.org/?page=CompetitiveEvents](https://www.tafeonline.org/?page=CompetitiveEvents)

YouTube™:
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
  The ASLHA gives a complete overview of the audiology career.
  [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_OIcPbndZMo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_OIcPbndZMo)
- Job Shadowing a School Counselor
  High school students job shadow their high school counselor, Mr. Carlin.
  [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R0ChABV00cY&list=PL9w61LOHH6iScWTmbHVr5ux4bXLNKW8FW](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R0ChABV00cY&list=PL9w61LOHH6iScWTmbHVr5ux4bXLNKW8FW)
- Physical Therapist Careers
  Learn exactly what physical therapists do with this video from the American Physical Therapist Association.
  [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Z2Ib4Meul4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Z2Ib4Meul4)
- University of Central Florida
  The university highlights careers in speech-language pathology.
  [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ObhBkVWRpaM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ObhBkVWRpaM)