

Help Desk Technician

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The **Help Desk Technician** provides direct tier one problem resolution support to technology users throughout Cranbrook, working both remotely in I/T and at end-user locations. Problem areas could cover (but are not limited to): telephone, telecommunications, internet, computer hardware and software, network, audio/visual equipment, Point of Sale devices and overall diagnostic and troubleshooting.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

1. The **Help Desk Technician** receives calls and messages from end-users and acts on inquiries based on preliminary assessment and urgency. This individual is responsible for building a rapport and eliciting problem details from help desk customers. Problems may be:
 - Addressed immediately via the Technician's knowledge or diagnostic scripts,
 - Answered later after researching the question
 - Routed to a specialist within I/T, elsewhere in CEC, or to contract vendors, or
 - Classified as a long-term project and passed on to I/T Management for review.
2. The Technician also works with users at their offices, solving computer hardware and software problems, telecommunications issues and issues with audio/visual equipment; troubleshooting using remote management tools, and may be assigned to I/T teams installing and removing computers and software. Problem resolution techniques may involve:
 - One-on-one coaching sessions with end-users in person or via telephone
 - Troubleshooting via the telephone or remote support tools to determine the nature of the trouble call
 - Hardware troubleshooting employing standard practices to isolate and identify technical problems or repair referral
 - Referencing online help functions, vendor help lines and technical support, offline experimentation and technical manuals to resolve calls
 - Working with end-users and vendors processing hardware / software / peripheral parts and orders
 - Maintaining technology inventory and supporting documents and processes
 - Working with outside providers with repairs, procurement, and other technology equipment related activities
 - Consulting with other team members and technicians to resolve more complex calls, contributing accurate observations to the shared pool of knowledge
 - Dealing with negative and unpleasant encounters in a constructive manner
 - Visits to the end-user location may involve any of the resolution techniques, plus physical examination of the computer/printer/telephone/audio-visual equipment as well as connectivity. Scheduling and setup of audio/visual/conferencing equipment (with end-user training) will also involve site visits

- Maintains attendance, punctuality, and performance standards set forth in Cranbrook's employee handbook. Maintains a professional appearance and dress so as to inspire end-user and contractor confidence and cooperation
- Other duties may be assigned in CEC I/T or to assist other departments

Requirements:

- Requires a minimum of two years of experience with: Microsoft Windows and Office systems (e.g. Windows 8.1/10 Office Suite 2016/Office365), data networking concepts, Microsoft Exchange/Outlook client, software and hardware installation and configuration, PC and printer setups, Networking fundamentals, remote support tools, and telecommunications troubleshooting
- Experienced in recommending, installing, and supporting audio/visual equipment
- High School Diploma or GED required; some college or Bachelor's degree preferred
- Experienced in working with end-users in solving technical problems, the coaching of users with new material, and methodically recording and implementing problems and resolutions. It will be necessary to expend extra effort to maintain and build technical currency
- Must have strong technical, team, customer service, and problem-solving skills
- Maintenance of processes such as inventory, equipment disposal, etc. may be assigned to this individual
- A valid Michigan driver's license with satisfactory driving record is required

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