

Santa Maria-Bonita School District

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKER I

BASIC FUNCTION

Under the direction of an assigned supervisor, perform general and varied grounds maintenance and gardening work.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES

Mow, edge, trim and prune landscaped areas~~E~~; prepare and fertilize soil, plants, lawns, trees, shrubs, hedges, flowers and a variety of other plants~~E~~; hoe, weed and rake lawns~~E~~; prune shrubs and trees to shape and improve growth~~E~~; water landscaped areas by hand or by operating a sprinkling system~~E~~; spray ground areas with insecticides and herbicides as required~~E~~; load a light truck with trimmings and trash and drive it to a trash disposal area as required~~E~~; haul sand, dirt, sawdust and other materials utilized in the improvement of landscaped areas~~E~~; operate a variety of light grounds maintenance equipment, such as lawn mowers, edgers, lawn vacuums and sweepers~~E~~; sweep and pick up paper and other debris from walks and driveways; assist in the moving and arranging of bleachers, furniture and a variety of other equipment for special events; assist in the preparation, lining and marking of athletic event areas; assist in the installation, maintenance and repair of sprinkling and irrigation systems as required; mix and pour concrete and paving materials; assist in the performance of building maintenance duties as required; assist in reporting and preventing facility vandalism; perform related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of:

Basic methods, materials, tools and terminology used in grounds maintenance and gardening work;
Safe working methods and procedures.

Ability to:

Effectively use hand and power tools common to grounds maintenance work;
Perform heavy manual functions and activities;
Operate light grounds maintenance equipment;
Understand and follow oral and written directions;
Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with others.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Any combination equivalent to: Graduation from High School and sufficient training and experience to demonstrate the knowledge and abilities listed above with one year paid experience in grounds maintenance or gardening work.

LICENSES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Possess and maintain a valid Class C drivers license, or valid Class C California drivers license, qualify and maintain a Class A drivers license within six (6) months of employment;
Insurability by the District's liability insurance carrier.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Environment:

Indoor/outdoor/adverse weather environments;
Driving a vehicle to conduct work.

Physical Abilities:

Heavy physical labor;
Dexterity of hands and fingers to operate grounds vehicles and equipment;
Pushing or pulling;
Standing for extended periods of time;
Lifting heavy objects;
Seeing to perform grounds duties;
Walking over rough or uneven surfaces;
Hearing and speaking to exchange information.

Hazards:

Working around and with machinery having moving parts;
Chemical fumes;
Working at heights.