

JOB TITLE: GROUNDS EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

DESCRIPTION OF BASIC FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

To operate specialized grounds equipment used in the upkeep and maintenance of district grounds and to perform grounds maintenance work as assigned. Employees in this classification receive general supervision from a supervisory level and within a framework of standard policies and procedures. This job class exercises responsibility for the safe operation and routine maintenance of specialized grounds equipment and for the upkeep and maintenance of assigned district grounds.

TYPICAL DUTIES

- Operates specialized grounds equipment such as gangmowers, tractors, dump trucks, skip-loaders, sweepers, rollers, trenchers, and similar motorized equipment
- Performs routine maintenance, servicing, and repairs on motorized grounds equipment to include checking fuel and oil levels and lubrication
- Mows turf area utilizing gang and/or hand mowers
- Fills, levels, rolls, smooths, and prepares ground for planting of lawns
- Plants, fertilizes, mows, edges, and cares for lawns
- Removes and hauls trash and debris from district facilities
- Cleans, sweeps, and maintains blacktop areas and walkways at assigned facilities
- Prepares playfields for use
- Prunes trees
- Sprays trees, shrubs, and hedges
- Assists in cleaning and repairing of sprinkler systems
- Performs other related duties as required

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Possession of a valid California Driver's License
- Knowledge of the basic methods, tools, and equipment used in the groundskeeping trade
- Knowledge of the safe operation and routine maintenance of a variety of heavy motorized groundskeeping equipment
- Skill to read and write at a level sufficient for successful job performance
- Skill to understand and follow oral and written instructions
- Ability to meet the physical requirements necessary to successfully perform required duties
- Skill to maintain effective work relationships with those contacted in the performance of required duties

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS cont'd

- Knowledge of groundskeeping and gardening materials, their use and care and the accompanying safety procedures
- Skill to perform general gardening and groundskeeping work
- Skill to safely and effectively operate a variety of groundskeeping tools, machines, and equipment including motorized equipment