

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKER II

DEFINITION

Under general supervision, skillfully operate a variety of heavy-duty grounds maintenance equipment; perform complex grounds maintenance and gardening functions and activities; and do other related work as required.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Operate a variety of power grounds equipment, including large gang mowers, tractors, backhoe equipment, and sweepers; perform a variety of specialized functions using a variety of tractor attachments; may drive a truck with a trailer attachment in transporting heavy-duty grounds maintenance equipment from work site to work site; service grounds maintenance equipment and make minor adjustments and repairs, and perform a variety of preventative maintenance functions; mow large fields and sweep large areas of asphalt and concrete; dig trenches for new gas lines, water mains, and electrical lines, and back fill the trenches as the various lines are laid; fill, level, smooth and prepare areas for sidewalks, approaches, slabs and in preparing landscaped areas for the planting of lawns and a variety of plants, shrubs and trees; may smooth and level athletic fields and running tracks; may spray for weeds and insect control; may move furniture and equipment and may perform other grounds maintenance functions; may perform work as directed by skilled maintenance personnel in facility maintenance and repair functions.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of:

Operation, maintenance diagnosis, and repair of heavy-duty grounds maintenance equipment; Methods, procedures, materials, and tools commonly utilized in grounds maintenance and gardening work; Safe working methods and procedures.

Ability to:

Skillfully operate, maintain diagnose, and repair grounds equipment and safely and skillfully use a variety of grounds maintenance and gardening tools; Perform heavy manual work functions pertaining to grounds maintenance, equipment operation, and gardening work; Understand and carry out oral and written directions; Establish and maintain an effective working relationship with those contacted in the course of work; Relate effectively with racially and ethnically diverse staff, students, and community.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Education:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth grade.

Experience:

One year of experience in the operation of large grounds equipment, tractors, trucks, and large power mowers used in performing grounds maintenance or gardening work.

REQUIRED LICENSES AND/OR CERTIFICATES

Possession of a valid and appropriate California driver's license; qualify for insurability with the District's insurance carrier.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS AND WORKING CONDITIONS

Strength:

Heavy work involving lifting, carrying, pushing, and/or pulling of objects weighing up to 100 pounds with frequent lifting or carrying of objects weighing up to 50 pounds; physical dexterity in limbs and digits to operate equipment and to perform strenuous manual labor; ability to bend, stoop, grasp, and reach.

Working Conditions:

Ability to work around plants, shrubs, and ground covers without allergic reaction. May be required to mix and apply herbicides, pesticides, and weed abatement chemicals. Work out-of-doors during inclement weather conditions.

Pre-placement Physical: Class II