

JOB TITLE: GROUNDKEEPER

Position Type: Physical Services III

Term: Full-Time

Department: Grounds

Date Posted: April 30, 2014

Closing Date: Open Until A Suitable Candidate Is Found

Description: Reporting to the Manager of the Grounds Department, this position performs skilled work requiring specialized knowledge and training in all aspects of grounds maintenance such as horticulture, equipment operation, irrigation repairs and maintenance of hard landscape features.

Duties:

- Perform regular maintenance of grounds; maintain turf grass areas, trees and shrubs
- Follow planned landscaping designs to lay sod, sow seed, plant flowers and foliage
- Dig, plant seeds, bulbs, foliage, flowering plants, grass, ground covers, trees, and shrubs, and apply mulch for protection, using gardening tools
- Spray or spread general fertilizers, herbicides or pesticides onto grass, shrubs and trees using handheld or automatic sprayers or spreaders
- Maintain irrigation systems, including winterizing the systems
- Perform caretaking of exterior areas including the sweeping and gathering/removal of litter
- Remove snow and ice from sidewalks/parking lots and install/remove snow fencing
- Operate all riding, handheld and push type equipment used in ground maintenance such as shovel, chainsaw, rake, weed eater, edgers, tractor and riding mower.
- Provide direction and training to seasonal staff
- Provide assistance and support to other departments as needed
- Perform other duties as required

Qualifications:

- Grade 12 diploma along with a Journeyman Landscaping Certificate or equivalent
- 2 – 3 years' related experience
- Must possess a valid Class 5 driver's license plus have an excellent driving record
- Proven mechanical aptitude and demonstrated ability to operate large/small vehicles and equipment
- Pesticide Applicators License a definite asset
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills as well as the ability to work in a team environment
- Awareness of safety regulations and requirements and proven ability to work safely

Salary: \$1,744.21 semi-monthly

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