

SANTA BARBARA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

CLASS TITLE: SENIOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKER

BASIC FUNCTION:

Under the direction of an assigned administrator, perform a variety of grounds maintenance, gardening duties, and special projects, including specialized work related to sprinkler and irrigation system inspection, installation, maintenance and repair, sustainability, permaculture, arboriculture, and related work as required in the beautification of assigned grounds and landscaped areas.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

The Senior Grounds Maintenance Worker classification performs specialized work related to sprinkler and irrigation system inspection, installation, maintenance and repair, sustainability, permaculture, arboriculture, and related work as required. The Grounds Maintenance Worker classification performs a variety of grounds maintenance and gardening duties in the beautification of assigned grounds and landscaped areas.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES:

ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

Perform specialized work related to the inspection, installation, maintenance and repair of sprinkler and irrigation systems. Perform special projects related to sustainability, permaculture, and arboriculture.

Mow, edge, trim, and water lawns, fields and other turf grounds; prepare and fertilize soil; water various grounds areas by hand or by operating the irrigation system.

Plant, cultivate, prune, spray, fertilize and irrigate flowers, trees, grass and shrubs; hoe and pull weeds and rake leaves; edge walkways; sweep litter from walks and driveways; empty waste receptacles.

Perform general grounds cleanup, including picking up paper, trash and debris on grounds areas, athletic fields and other assigned areas.

Operate a variety of power-driven equipment such as mowers, tractors, backhoes, skip loaders, edgers, blowers, hedge trimmers, chainsaws, forklifts, trucks and other equipment used in grounds work; utilize standard gardening hand tools; drive a vehicle to conduct work.

Perform a variety of duties related to the preparation, lining, burning, marking and dragging of athletic fields and related areas as assigned by the position.

Maintain grounds maintenance equipment in safe operating condition as directed; perform minor

maintenance and repairs on equipment as needed.

Maintain and repair irrigation systems and related parts, components and equipment as assigned by the position; clean, adjust and repair sprinkler heads; adjust irrigation system settings as appropriate; repair or replace pipes and various system parts and equipment as necessary.

Move and arrange furniture and equipment as requested.

OTHER DUTIES:

Perform related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

KNOWLEDGE OF:

Sprinkler and irrigation systems.

Basic grounds maintenance procedures including mowing, edging, raking and weeding.

Methods, equipment and materials used in gardening and grounds maintenance work.

Cultivating, fertilizing, watering and spraying of flowers, trees and shrubs.

Operation of hand, power tools, and heavy, power-driven equipment used in grounds maintenance.

Health and safety regulations.

ABILITY TO:

Inspect, install, maintain and repair sprinkler and irrigation systems.

Perform a variety of grounds maintenance and gardening duties in the beautification of assigned grounds and landscaped areas.

Mow, edge, water, weed, fertilize, rake and cultivate lawns, flower beds, athletic fields and other landscaped areas.

Maintain athletic areas in a safe condition.

Operate and maintain hand, power tools and other heavy, power-driven equipment used in grounds maintenance.

Understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Observe health and safety regulations.

EDUCATION AND PAID EXPERIENCE:

Any combination equivalent to: graduation from high school and three years of grounds maintenance experience including the operation and maintenance of sprinkler and irrigation systems and related grounds maintenance equipment, including heavy, power-driven equipment.

LICENSES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

Valid California driver's license.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

ENVIRONMENT:

Outdoor work environment.
Seasonal heat and cold or adverse weather conditions.
Exposure to fumes, dust, odors, oil, grease and gases.
Driving a vehicle to conduct work.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

Dexterity of hands and fingers to operate grounds maintenance equipment.
Walking or standing for extended periods of time.
Seeing to perform gardening and grounds work.
Lifting, carrying, pushing or pulling heavy objects as assigned by position.
Bending at the waist, kneeling or crouching.
Reaching overhead, above the shoulders and horizontally.
Climbing ladders and working from heights.
Heavy physical labor.

HAZARDS:

Working around and with machinery having moving parts.
Working on ladders.
Potential exposure to blood borne pathogens.