

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

CLASS TITLE: SPRAY TECHNICIAN

BASIC FUNCTION:

Under the direction of an assigned supervisor, perform general and varied grounds maintenance tasks both skilled and unskilled, including herbicide application, fertilization, foliar feeding, pre-emergent application, tree pruning, equipment operation, repair and maintenance of equipment.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

Transport equipment to schools, and for servicing, lubricating and minor maintenance and repair of the equipment.

Perform grounds maintenance work, such as fertilizing, pruning, spraying, reseeding, sodding and irrigation.

Operate a variety of equipment including a truck and spray rigs.

Inspect and maintain application equipment and other related machinery.

Maintain accurate records; mix and apply herbicides according to State, County and District regulations and safety procedures.

Familiar with and follow Federal, State and local regulations; prepare and maintain written records and reports.

Assist with special grounds maintenance and repair projects.

Order and maintain inventory of parts, supplies and equipment; exercise safety procedures and wear required protective clothing and equipment.

Maintain a safe work environment while performing the above job duties at various school sites.

Perform related duties as assigned.

DEMONSTRATED KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

KNOWLEDGE OF:

Operation and minor repair of motorized grounds and spray equipment.

Applicable laws and regulations regarding herbicide handling, mixing, application and safety.

Plant, shrub and tree diseases.

Emergency procedures.

Protective clothing and equipment.
Safety procedures and record keeping associated with a chemical weed control program.
Proper lifting techniques.
Interpersonal skills using tact, patience and courtesy.

ABILITY TO:

Perform general grounds keeping work.
Perform heavy manual labor.
Understand and follow oral and written directions.
Establish and maintain cooperative and effective working relationships with others.
Speak, read and write English at a level required for satisfactory job performance.
Maintain consistent, punctual and regular attendance.
Move hands and fingers to operate grounds maintenance equipment.
Bend at the waist, kneel, stoop or crouch.
Walk over rough and uneven surfaces.
Stand for extended periods of time.
Reach overhead, above the shoulders and horizontally.
Use proper lifting methods.
Dig.
See to perform grounds work.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED:

Any combination equivalent to: graduation from high school and two years paid grounds maintenance experience.

LICENSES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

Valid California Class C driver's license.
Possession of or the ability to obtain a Valid Qualified Applicator Certificate from the Department of Pesticide regulation with a minimum of Category B within 120 days of employment.
Floor-lift 72 pounds and arm-lift 44 pounds.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

ENVIRONMENT:

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

HAZARDS:

Working around and with machinery having moving parts.
Exposure to chemicals and fumes.