

Horticulture Maintenance I - Horticulturist

Palatine Park District

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Closing Date:

Salary: \$22.50 - \$24.20 per hour

Description:

Under the direction of the Horticulture Manager, the Horticulture Maintenance I shall carry out general landscape maintenance tasks to all Park District facilities but specifically focusing on the Palatine Hills Golf Course. This position requires basic to moderate knowledge of general grounds maintenance tasks to include operation of equipment used for mowing, landscaping, snow removal, and other related tasks, including the care of the district's trees and flower/shrub beds, which involves planting annual flowers, watering, weed control, and mechanical pruning.

Work will include evenings and weekends when needed as well as assisting with special events, along with other Parks Department duties as assigned. Overtime will be required as needed. The Horticulture Maintenance I position is in the Parks Department and is a full-time, full-benefited, non-exempt position.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

- 1. Directly responsible to the Manager in carrying out park labor duties.
- 2. Directly responsible to the Horticulture Manager in carrying out park maintenance duties.
- 3. Removal of snow from ice rinks, Park District sidewalks, pathways, and drives.
- 4. Make and maintain ice rinks including flooding, putting out rubber belting, and snow removal.
- 5. Perform forestry practices such as tree planting, pruning, maintenance, and removal.
- 6. Mowing practices including the use of tractors, zero turns, and walk-behind machines, as well as hand equipment.
- 7. Perform turf health and maintenance, establishing new turf, fertilizing, and weed control.
- 8. Experience with general landscape practices including landscape design, weed control, annual and perennial beds, and mulching.
- 9. Perform inspections of turf field work, turf field playability.
- 10. Additional job duties as assigned, which may be considered essential.

EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND TRAINING

- High school graduate/GED or equivalent experience
- Ability to obtain appropriate pesticide operator's license within one year
- Ability to obtain Valid Illinois Class "B" Driver's License within one year

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

The ability to pass a background check within the Illinois Park District code requirements and preemployment physical, drug and alcohol screen for CDL and on a random basis.

BENEFITS & WAGES

- Health/Dental/Vision insurance for individual and family
- Paid life insurance
- A retirement plan with the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF)
- Paid vacation, personal days, holidays and sick time
- Unlimited in-house complimentary programs
- Seasonal pool passes for indoor and outdoor pools (individual and family)
- Fitness Center membership (individual and family)
- Discount at Palatine Hills Golf Course

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