

# **Horticulture Specialist - Arborist**

### Palatine Park District

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**Closing Date:** 

Salary: \$27.26 - \$29.99

#### **Description:**

#### **Horticulture Specialist - Arborist**

Join our team as a Horticulture Specialist – Arborist! This role plays a vital role in maintaining our beautiful trees and other woody plants throughout all District-owned properties! This role typically follows a Monday to Friday schedule, with 40 hours each week, set by the Superintendent of Parks. While the workweek is primarily during the day, you might find yourself enjoying the beauty of nature during occasional evenings or weekends. Plus, you'll have the opportunity to be on call whenever needed, ensuring our green spaces flourish and thrive. Embrace the chance to make a real difference in our community's landscape!

#### What You'll Do

- Assist with the management of contractual work that pertains to the scope of the position
- Manage and train the arborist team staff
- Identify safety hazards, insects, pests, and diseases within trees and woody plant material
- Operation of chainsaws, woodchippers, and bucket trucks (rigging equipment)
- Assist with snow removal operations and ice rink maintenance
- Other duties assigned may include, but are not limited to:
  - General park landscape maintenance, landscape bed weed control, grading, and irrigation equipment

## What We're Looking For

- Knowledgeable in the areas of forestry and general landscape maintenance procedures
- High school graduate or general education degree required
- Five (5) years in the landscape maintenance and/or landscape construction fields or any equivalent combination of education, experience, and training required
- Formal or trade school studies related to arboriculture maintenance practices are desired
- Valid State of Illinois driver's license required
- Certification through the International Society of Arborists (ISA), Illinois Pesticide License, CDL Class B, CPR, First Aid, and AED certifications required within twelve months of employment

#### Why You Should Join Us

- 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

At Palatine Park District, we're more than parks and programs. We're a community built on connection, creativity, and care. From energizing recreation to memorable experiences in our beautiful spaces, we live the Park and Rec Life every day.

Joining our team means stepping into something bigger than a job. It's about making a difference, growing through meaningful work, and forming lasting friendships. Here, you don't just work, you thrive.

If you are ready to take the next step in your career, come join us and Live the Parks & Rec Life!

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