

CAJON VALLEY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

CLASS TITLE: GROUNDS EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

BASIC FUNCTION:

Under the direction of the Director-Facilities, Maintenance and Operations, operate and maintain a variety of power grounds equipment and vehicles in the maintenance of District grounds; operate heavy construction and maintenance equipment as assigned; perform regular preventive maintenance work and minor repairs on grounds maintenance equipment.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES:

ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

Operate a variety of heavy equipment involved in grounds construction and maintenance activities such as a crane, dump truck, roller, digger, grader, tractor and backhoe; transport equipment and other materials to job sites using a truck and trailer combination; assure compliance with established safety regulations.

Grade, prepare cut and fill and finish grading work; operate grader to level paved surfaces in order to prepare surfaces for re-paving.

Operate a backhoe in the installation of water, gas, and sewer lines and other projects; install signs, poles, and other displays as required; utilize tractor attachments as required.

Perform assigned maintenance, construction and repair duties such as mixing and pouring concrete, cleaning and unplugging storm drains, moving furniture and constructing walkways.

Prepare and level surfaces for concrete work; grade, dig and remove dirt and existing concrete or asphalt.

Perform a variety of general grounds maintenance duties including installing and repairing sprinkler systems, erecting temporary fencing, and patching or constructing asphalt or cement surfaces.

Operate and maintain a variety of power grounds equipment and vehicles in the maintenance of District grounds; operate a variety of grounds maintenance equipment such as gang, riding and push mowers and tractors, skip-loaders, trenchers, blowers, edgers, hedge trimmers, chainsaws and various hand and power tools; mow assigned lawn areas utilizing appropriate equipment.

Haul and transport sand, dirt, fertilizer, tools, equipment and other materials to and from various sites as directed.

Perform regular preventive maintenance work and minor repairs on grounds equipment; check fluids, change oil and assure proper lubrication of grounds equipment; sharpen and replace blades; arrange for major repairs as necessary.

Assist other personnel with a variety of grounds maintenance and landscaping duties in the beautification of assigned grounds and landscaped areas as assigned; edge, trim, and water lawns,

fields and other turf grounds; prepare and fertilize soil.

Communicate with personnel and outside agencies to exchange information, coordinate activities and resolve issues or concerns.

Maintain routine records related to assigned activities including mileage and work performed.

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

OTHER DUTIES:

Perform related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

KNOWLEDGE OF:

Operation, preventive maintenance and minor repair of a variety of grounds equipment including gang, riding and push mowers and other power-driven grounds equipment.

Operation and maintenance of heavy equipment used in grounds construction and maintenance such as dump trucks, rollers, diggers, graders, tractors, backhoes and related equipment.

Safe operation of heavy grounds equipment.

Grounds maintenance procedures including mowing, edging, raking and weeding.

Methods, equipment and materials used in landscaping and groundskeeping work.

Basic record-keeping techniques.

Oral and written communication skills.

Health and safety regulations.

ABILITY TO:

Operate a variety of heavy equipment involved in grounds construction and maintenance activities.

Perform related maintenance, construction and repair duties as assigned.

Maintain heavy grounds equipment in a safe and operative condition.

Observe legal and defensive driving practices.

Perform regular preventive maintenance work and minor repairs on grounds equipment.

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

Communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

Establish and maintain cooperative and effective working relationships with others.

Understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Maintain routine records related to work performed.

Observe health and safety regulations.

Perform heavy physical labor.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Any combination equivalent to graduation from high school and three years as a groundskeeper including heavy equipment operations at the journey-level.

LICENSES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

Valid California Class A driver's license.

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.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

Dexterity of hands and fingers to operate grounds maintenance equipment.

Sitting and riding equipment for extended periods of time.

Bending at the waist, kneeling or crouching.

Walking or standing for extended periods of time.

Lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling heavy objects as assigned by position.

Heavy physical labor.

Seeing to operate ground equipment.

Climbing in and out of grounds equipment.

HAZARDS:

Exposure to chemicals used in pest control and weed abatement.

Working around and with machinery having moving parts

Indoor and outdoor work environment.

Regular exposure to fumes, dust, dirt, oil/grease.

Driving a vehicle to conduct work

CLEARANCES:

Criminal Justice Fingerprint/Background

Tuberculosis

Pre-placement Physical and Drug Screen