# GRANITE FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT POSITION DESCRIPTION GROUNDSKEEPER

## **GENERAL SUMMARY**

The responsibilities of this position are to perform grounds maintenance and improvements.

#### TYPICAL FUNCTIONS

- 1. Maintain all school district grounds.
- 2. Operate small grounds maintenance equipment, including single-axle truck, backhoe, mowers, tractor, edger, weed eaters, hand tools; maintain, service, and perform minor repair to grounds equipment/assist with special grounds improvement projects; keep maintenance shop in a neat and orderly manner.
- 3. Mow, spray, fertilize, water and maintain lawns, landscaped areas, and athletic fields for school district; fertilize, spray, prune, and keep all flowers, shrubs, and trees in healthy condition; keep planting beds neat, free of weeds and generally maintained; maintain irrigation systems, including pumps and wells.
- 4. Inspect, troubleshoot, and perform repair and preventative maintenance on grounds, playground equipment; perform regular maintenance and vandalism repairs as necessary, document repairs/maintenance as necessary.
- 5. Respond to emergency situations.
- 6. Stock and notify facilities/groundskeeper of supplies/materials to be ordered and/or order supplies/materials as assigned.
- 7. Assist with maintenance of grounds as assigned, by sweeping/blowing walkways, removing litter, clearing ice or snow, and related maintenance of an attractive school facility.
- 8. Comply with all health and fire codes/laws.
- 9. Observe all district safety policies and procedures and equipment and operation guidelines for district employee, student, and public safety; wear protective gear as necessary (ear/eye protection, gloves, etc.)
- 10. Complete and maintain paperwork, logs, and records as necessary.
- 11. Maintain effective communication with administration, students, parents, staff, and the public for safety, security and public relations.

#### REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS

Operations Supervisor.

## **WORKING RELATIONSHIPS**

Works With: Facilities/Groundskeeper, Operations Secretary.

# SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

High school diploma or GED; satisfactory background clearance results (fingerprinting required); proof of ability to work in the United States; valid Washington State driver's license; may require pesticide license in the future; current first aid and CPR certification.

# **CONDITIONS**

The list of essential functions is not exhaustive and may be supplemented as necessary.

## **MENTAL DEMANDS**

Requires knowledge of routine repairs and grounds maintenance, including: care and maintenance of vegetation and lawns, synthetic turf, and hard surfaces of sidewalks and driving surfaces; requires ability to learn the operation of a variety of equipment and tools; requires performing intermediate-level reading, writing, arithmetic, and logic processing skills; requires ability to follow verbal and written instructions; requires excellent vision to perform detailed and precise work; requires good depth perception, balance, hearing, and hand/eye coordination; knowledge and understanding of product and equipment application/operation and safety, health and safety codes, standards, and procedures; work at times is fast paced, routine, and repetitive, requiring concentration and attention to task and ability to make independent decisions; requires day-to-day communication, rapport-building; negotiation and conflict resolution, and customer service skills to work with a wide range of student, staff and public behaviors; frequently will experience interruptions; required to shift focus to respond to student, staff and public needs; requires cooperation and ability to work as a team member.

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Exposure to changes in temperature and climatic conditions, wet/humid conditions, dust, equipment noise, toxic chemicals (such as paints, solvents, cleaning fluids, herbicide/pesticide agents); exposure to moving equipment, power tools, and machinery (including flying debris), vibration and jarring; requires standing, walking, sitting

without restrictions; ability to stoop, bend, squat frequently, lift and carry objects weighing up to 25 pounds frequently; assistance for heavy lifting, carrying, pushing, and pulling available; must be physically capable of working from a kneeling and crawling position; frequently requires; occasionally requires working in confined spaces; requires work from ladder, scaffolding, and/or scissors-platform lift occasionally; requires no limitation in reaching, grasping, handling, and gripping; may be exposed to infectious diseases carried by students; may require restraining out-of-control students; requires good visual and hearing ability; requires work outdoors in any kind of weather.