

GROUNDSKEEPER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is routine physical labor in grounds maintenance work, requiring physical endurance and a willingness to perform manual tasks. For positions where occasional driving of school buses is a possible duty, incumbents are required to possess appropriate drivers licenses and certifications. Work is performed under general supervision, with leeway for independent judgment in carrying out the details of the work. Supervision may be exercised over one or more subordinate workers. Performs related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Mows lawns and cares for flowerbeds, walks and driveways;
Maintains outdoor track;
Rakes leaves;
Shovels snow and blows snow;
Cleans catch basins;
Marks and maintains athletic fields;
Sets up and removes bleachers;
Performs minor maintenance on mechanical equipment such as mowers, sanders, etc. ;
May operate a school bus on occasion;
Performs a variety of related activities as required.

Typical Work Activities are intended only as illustrations of possible types of work that might be appropriately assigned to an incumbent of this title. Work activities that do not appear above are not excluded as appropriate work assignments, as long as they can be reasonably understood to be within the logical limits of the job.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Some knowledge of the accepted procedures and practices of ground maintenance work; ability to lay out work for self and others; willingness to perform routine manual work; physical endurance.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Six (6) months of paid work experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

Depending upon assignment, candidates may be required at the time of appointment to be between the ages of 21 and 65 and meet the requirements of the New York State Commissioners of Education and Motor Vehicles for operating a school bus, including Article 19A (V&T) certification.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS:

In accordance with the Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) legislation, Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000, and by the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, candidates for appointment in school districts must obtain clearance for employment from the State Education Department prior to employment based upon a fingerprint and criminal history background check.