



Landscape Horticulturist

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OVERVIEW

Reporting to the Grounds Foreman, the Horticulturist performs general gardening duties as assigned, including selecting, handling and utilizing trees, shrubs and ornamental plants and turf grass for the design, development and maintenance of school spaces.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Landscape Horticulturist

LH – 1

Weeds, fertilizes and cultivates areas including flower beds

LH – 2

Prunes shrubs, trees and bushes

LH – 3

Plants flowers, shrubs and trees

LH – 4

Landscapes school grounds as required

LH – 5

Prepares and applies pesticides and other chemicals in accordance with the current Pesticide Control Act and trade practices for the control of weeds, undesirable growth and pests

LH – 6

Trims lawns and hedges

LH – 7

Reports promptly to the appropriate foreman or supervisor, any mechanical failures or body damage to School Board vehicles, equipment and tools

LH – 8

Cleans work areas, equipment and tools

LH – 9

Performs duties in accordance with District initiatives

LH – 10

Coordinates and consults with a variety of stakeholder groups about gardening beds plantings, trees or shrubbery

LH – 11

Performs duties in compliance with safety regulations

LH – 12

Performs other assigned duties related to the above

QUALIFICATIONS
Landscape Horticulturist

EDUCATION	<p>Grade 12 certificate or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience</p> <p>Certificate of Apprenticeship or Trades Qualification as issued or recognized by the Province of BC in the trade of Landscape Horticulturist</p> <p>Must possess a valid pesticide applicators certificate issued by the Province of BC. License must be kept current.</p> <p>Valid Class 5 BC Driver’s License</p>
EXPERIENCE	<p>Must meet the requirements as set out under the Industry Training Authority - Province of BC – Landscape Horticulturist</p> <p>Two or more years of specific experience</p>
KNOWLEDGE	<p>TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS</p> <p>General knowledge of irrigation programming and control systems</p>

<p>SKILLS AND ABILITIES</p>	<p>The CANDIDATE MUST POSSESS A DEMONSTRATED ABILITY TO:</p> <p>Provide expertise to a variety of groups such as students and other stakeholders</p> <p>Program and monitor irrigation systems</p> <p>Maintains a cooperative working relationship with other workers, supervisory and teaching staff, students and the public</p> <p>Must be able to operate all tools and equipment required to perform gardening duties</p> <p>Effective communication and presentation skills</p> <p>Demonstrated knowledge of database, spreadsheet and word processing applications</p>
<p>WORKING CONDITIONS</p>	<p>OCCUPATIONAL REQUIREMENTS</p> <p>Sufficient vision and hearing to perform related job duties</p> <p>Able to perform related physical and mental activities</p> <p>Able to work in diverse weather conditions</p>

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