Seasonal Groundskeeper – 9 Month Position. March-December
Phillies Urban Youth Academy at FDR Park

Reports to: Manager of Grounds
Date: 1 March 2018 (flexible with school)
Status: Hourly/Seasonal/40 Hr week

Department: Grounds
Division: Urban Youth Academy

POSITION SUMMARY:
To perform various grounds and related facility maintenance functions of the Phillies Urban Youth Academy at FDR Park grounds department field operations, including daily field preparation and post-game repairs, opening and closing of Academy facilities, monitoring weekend weather conditions and relaying as necessary that information to coaches (as needed), perform assigned daily maintenance tasks (such as mowing, edging, string trimming, spot watering, weeding, etc.), and irrigation system operation and maintenance as needed. Responsibilities include relaying any and all pertinent information to the Manager, Urban Youth Academy Grounds as necessary.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:
1. Perform day-of-game field preparation and repair on all fields as needed.
2. Communicate with supervisor as necessary to insure all required tasks are performed to a satisfactory manner on a daily basis.
3. Assist in executing the overall playing field maintenance program at the Urban Youth Academy at FDR Park as needed.
4. Work with other UYA employees and coaches to insure smooth game day operations of the facility.
5. Maintains a positive relationship with the various user groups of the UYA.
6. Provide weekend event coverage as needed at the complex.
7. All other duties as assigned.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Bachelors or Associates degree in turfgrass management, business administration, or similar degree area.
2. Ability to interact professionally with a wide variety of community end-user groups and individuals.
3. Two years experience working in a school, professional stadium or sports complex on grounds maintenance.
4. Operational experience with all machinery and equipment commonly associated with maintaining a sports complex such as, but not limited to, reel mowers, rotary mowers, edges, string line trimmers, tractors, topdressers, bunker rakes, nail and mat drags.
5. Have exceptional organizational abilities and the ability to work unsupervised.
6. Experience working well with at least two other staff members on a regular basis.
7. Must be physically capable of safely operating medium to heavy machinery including utility vehicles and lawn mowers, be able to lift 50 pounds unassisted, be able to work for extended periods of time in high heat and humidity, and have no restrictions to work with any plant materials, soils or pesticides/chemicals commonly used in landscaping operations.
8. Have a basic understanding of equipment maintenance principals including small engine maintenance and reel mower cylinder adjustment.
9. Willingness to work long hours and a variable schedule including weekends and holidays.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:
1. A minimum of two years experience as either a Groundskeeper at the professional or collegiate level.
2. A minimum two years experience maintaining Kentucky Bluegrass in a high-end athletic field setting.
3. Experience operating a centrally controlled irrigation system, preferably a Rainbird IQ Control system.

To Apply
Submit a current resume, cover letter and reference list (including contact phone numbers) to the address or email address listed below. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS FRIDAY, December 17th, 2017.

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