DEFINITION:

Under general supervision to perform grounds maintenance and gardening work with a particular emphasis on preparing athletic fields for sporting events and to do related work as required.

JOB CHARACTERISTICS:

This is the experienced working level grounds maintenance class. Positions in this class may be distinguished from the next lower class by the assignment of skilled gardening duties such as specific requirements for the athletic field, pruning, cultivating, fertilizing, and maintaining landscaped areas. These duties require the exercise of initiative and independent judgment.

EXAMPLE OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
Depending upon assignment, duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Maintains athletic fields for sports and other events.
2. Cultivates, waters, and trims hedges.
3. Sweeps walks and driveways and picks up paper and rubbish.
4. Marks field lines and sets up athletic and other equipment for events.
5. May perform general custodial duties either seasonally or incidental to grounds keeping activities.
6. May do maintenance and repair work such as blacktopping roads and paths, laying concrete slabs, installing street signs, laying bricks, installing fences, and moving equipment.
7. Operates mowers, tractors and other equipment.
8. Performs other related duties as assigned.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS:

Knowledge of: 1. Tools, materials, equipment, and standard practices of routine grounds keeping and gardening work.

Ability to: 1. Demonstrate understanding of, sensitivity to, and respect for the diverse academic, socio-economic, ethnic, cultural, disability, religious background and sexual orientation of community college students, faculty and staff.

2. Participate in appropriate training in hazardous materials handling, storage, and disposal; follow designated policy and procedures for Haz-mat identification, storage and disposal; maintain standards related to environmental compliance and personal health and safety as required.

3. Use a computer for entry and retrieval of information for work assignments.
4. Safely use the hand and power tools of gardening and grounds keeping work.

5. Perform heavy physical labor.

6. Follow verbal and written directions.

Experience:

1. Two years of grounds keeping experience in a capacity equivalent to that of a Grounds Gardener III in the Foothill-De Anza Community College District.

Education:

1. Equivalent to completion of the eighth grade.

Certification:

1. Possession of an appropriate California operator's license issued by the State Department of Motor Vehicles.

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