



## MORVEN PARK

### *SPORTS TURF SPECIALIST*

Applications are being accepted for a SPORTS TURF SPECIALIST position on the Buildings & Grounds team at Morven Park in Leesburg, Virginia.

Once the residence of Virginia Governor Westmoreland Davis, the 1000-acre property is home to three museums, a renowned equestrian center, 20 acres of athletic fields, formal gardens, and miles of trails, dedicated to educational and recreational programming and preservation of open space.

The athletic field complex features 5 cool season grass and 3 bermuda grass multi-use sports fields. The facility currently hosts leagues, tournaments, camps, and clinics for soccer, lacrosse, rugby, flag football, and Ultimate frisbee.

#### **Essential Duties & Responsibilities:**

- Work with the Morven Park team to maximize venue utilization while maintaining high standards of playability, appearance, and safety.
- Troubleshoot field deficiencies and recommend proper corrective actions.
- Manage safe and proper handling, storage, and application of fertilizers, herbicides, fungicides, and pesticides, ensuring proper calibration on chemical sprayers and granular spreaders.
- Perform field maintenance/management including mowing, edging, aerating, top dressing and other duties as required.
- Event preparation and cleanup, including field layouts to specified dimensions, painting, goal set and removal, and field wear management.
- Perform maintenance, repairs, programming, and adjustments of irrigation systems.
- Perform general grounds maintenance, repair, and janitorial duties regarding fields, fencing, parking lots, and other areas within athletic complex and, as needed, across the site.
- Some weekend and evening hours, as needed.
- Exposure to all weather conditions, dirt, dust, fumes, smoke, unpleasant odors, loud noises, and pests (mosquitos, flies, bees, etc.).

#### **Knowledge & Skills:**

- Able to work in a courteous, professional manner with employees, clients, and the general public.
- Able to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other employees.
- Able to communicate clearly and concisely, both verbally and in writing.
- Able to understand chemical labels, safety data sheets (SDS), and operator/maintenance manuals.
- Possess strong attention to detail.
- Able to operate and perform basic maintenance on field equipment, including field painters, reel and rotary mowers, boom sprayers, etc.

- Able to bend, kneel, stoop, climb, and lift 80 pounds.

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- Associates Degree in Turf Management, Sports Field Management, or related field.
- Two years of experience in athletic field maintenance strongly preferred.
- Possession of a valid driver's license.
- Must obtain a Virginia Commercial Pesticide Applicator's license, including category 3B.

**Applications:** Submit brief cover letter, resume, and references to [Employment@MorvenPark.org](mailto:Employment@MorvenPark.org).