

MORVEN PARK

ATHLETIC FIELD MAINTENANCE WORKER

Applications are being accepted for an ATHLETIC FIELD MAINTENANCE WORKER 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 bermudagrass 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.
- Participate in major field maintenance and construction projects, including resodding, regrading, and irrigation installation.
- Perform field maintenance, including mowing, edging, aerating, top dressing, and other duties as required.
- Operate and maintain grounds equipment, including mowers, spreaders, sprayers, trimmers, and field paint applicators.
- Ensure proper care in the use and maintenance of equipment and supplies.
- Promote continuous improvement of workplace safety and environmental practices.
- Set up game and practice fields for events; perform painting, gameday field preparation, and field equipment placement, as appropriate.
- Perform maintenance, repairs, programming, and adjustments of irrigation systems.
- Perform general grounds maintenance, repairs, and janitorial duties regarding fields, fencing, parking lots, and other areas within athletic complex and, as needed, across the site.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- 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.
- Knowledge of athletic field resodding, regrading, aerifying, and topdressing procedures, techniques, and standards.
- Able to install, calibrate, operate, and maintain athletic field irrigation systems and equipment.
- Knowledge of regulations and standards regarding the setup and marking of athletic fields for games.
- Knowledge of safe handling and storage procedures for fertilizers, pesticides, and related athletic turf chemicals and materials.
- Able to read, understand, follow, and enforce safety procedures.
- Able to set up, calibrate, and operate a wide range of standard and specialized athletic field construction and maintenance equipment.

Minimum Qualifications:

- High school diploma or GED and at least 1 year of experience directly related to the duties and responsibilities specified.
- Completed degree from an accredited institution may be substituted for experience.
- Possession of a valid driver's license.

Working Conditions and Physical Requirements:

- Exposure to all weather conditions, dirt, dust, fumes, smoke, unpleasant odors, loud noises, and pests (mosquitos, flies, bees, etc.).
- Strenuous physical activity, including heavy lifting, pushing, or pulling of objects over 50 pounds.
- Some exposure to physical hazards or risks that require compliance with safety precautions.
- Some weekend and evening hours, as needed.

Applications: Submit brief cover letter, resume, and references to Employment@MorvenPark.org.