Randall’s Island Park Alliance, Inc.
Job Opening Notice
Posting Dates: 07/07/2015 – Until filled

Title: Turf & Irrigation Technician
Job Type: Full-Time, Year-Round; 40 hours per week; Non-Exempt
Salary Range: $18.00 – $22.00 / hour
Benefits: Vacation, sick leave, and medical insurance following 90 day introductory period
Work Location: Randall’s Island Park, New York City

POSITION DESCRIPTION
The Turf & Irrigation Technician will report to the Director of Turf and Turf Manager and will work with other members of the turf department to maintain the surfaces of the athletic playing fields, both natural sod and artificial turf, oversee field rotation and red flagging, perform maintenance of all irrigation systems, and assist in other turf maintenance practices.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES
• Work with the Randall’s Island Turf Department to assist with daily turf maintenance including: mowing, seeding, fertilizing, watering, leveling, laying sod, removing debris, and rolling.
• Design, install, and maintain all components related to irrigation system, including traditional and two-wire path systems.
• Troubleshoot and repair problems with irrigation system.
• Irrigate all grounds as scheduled or needed by hand watering or using site control program.
• Perform irrigation winterization to all systems.
• Assist with a variety of projects which can include: aeration, aeravating, hydro-seeding, drainage, and maintenance building renovation.
• Organize, complete inventory, and maintain records of irrigation equipment.
• Calibrate equipment for the use of liquid and granular fertilizers and pesticides.
• Safely apply pesticides and fertilizers, along with completing records of application.
• Operate hand tools such as pole saws, loppers, hand saws, rakes, tampers, and shovels.
• Operate small equipment such as walk- and riding- lawn mowers, weed whackers, hedge trimmers, and backpack leaf blowers.
• Operate equipment such as motorized utility vehicles, aerivators, and verticutters.
• Ensure all equipment is secured and well-maintained, including: washing, greasing, fueling, and arranging for service of equipment.
• Perform other general tasks as assigned by the Director of Turf and Turf Manager.

This job description is not an exclusive or exhaustive list of all job functions that an employee in this position may be asked to perform from time to time.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
• B.A. in turf grass management or related field OR equivalent turf grass certificate/coursework OR three (3) years hands-on experience in turf grass management
• Strong communication and leadership skills
• Excellent planning and organizational skills, as well as strong attention to detail
• Willing to work outdoors in all types of weather, under strenuous conditions
• Ability to use light power equipment and hand tools
• Ability to perform physical labor; must be able to lift up to 50lbs
• Motivated and punctual, able to work both independently and as part of a team
• Flexibility to work overtime and weekends
• Maintain a NY pesticide license through yearly training and testing.

PREFERRED SKILLS/QUALIFICATIONS
• Experience in golf course maintenance as an assistant, irrigation technician, or grounds crew member
• Three (3) years’ experience as an irrigation technician or in similar position.
• Two (2) years of landscaping experience and materials applications experience
• One (1) year of materials applications experience
• Valid New York State driver license
• Pesticide license a plus

To apply, please complete an application online at:
https://www.randallsisland.org/about-us/employment-application
OR download an application and send to:
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