KERN COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS APPROVED DECEMBER 2025

RANGE: 38.5

CLASSIFIED CODE: 2, 3, 4, 7, 9

UTILITY WORKER - FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES

DEFINITION

Under general direction, perform a variety of janitorial, logistical, and equipment-handling tasks to support Food & Nutrition Services operations and ensure equipment and workspaces are clean and in good condition.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Clean and sanitize department equipment, including tables, carriers, racks, small wares, and transport food, supplies and materials;

drive a delivery vehicle;

load, unload, and transport equipment, supplies, and materials to and from school sites or program locations using district vehicles or carts;

set up and break down equipment, materials, and support items for Food & Nutrition Services functions as directed;

retrieve equipment and supplies after use;

great attention to detail and the ability to work cooperatively with department staff, school sites, and program partners;

verify all items are accounted for, cleaned, and stored properly;

inspect equipment for damage or repairs;

maintain storage rooms, loading areas, and workspaces in orderly, safe, and clean condition;

assist in organizing inventory of equipment, supplies, and materials;

prepare requisitions for cleaning supplies and equipment needs;

follow established safety procedures and maintain awareness of proper lifting, loading, and transport practices:

support special projects, departmental needs, or high-volume activities as required;

perform other related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

Basic custodial cleaning methods, procedures, and equipment;

safe operation of carts, transport carriers, and district vehicles;

proper lifting, loading, and transport practices;

cleaning materials, supplies, and related safety requirements;

safe working methods and procedures.

Ability to:

Work independently and follow written or verbal directions;

maintain records, logs, and inventories;

establish and maintain cooperative working relationships;

communicate effectively with staff and school site personnel;

lift 50 lbs., climb ladders, bend, stoop, kneel, crawl, and stand for extended periods;

organize and maintain clean storage areas.

Experience:

Two (2) years of experience in food service work, janitorial and/or cleaning experience, delivery/ transport, warehouse support, facility operations, or related experience; or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

Education:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth grade, supplemented by coursework or training in food safety.

Conditions of employment:

A preplacement medical assessment and substance abuse test, at office expense, is a condition of appointment after all other required job conditions have been met.

This position will require part of the work shift to occur outside of the school business hours.

Some positions may require proof of privately owned automobile insurance and possession of a valid California Motor Vehicle operator's license which must be maintained for the duration of the assignment.

Fingerprint clearance by both the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice is a condition of appointment after all other required job conditions have been met.

Must present verification of completion of Child Abuse Mandated Reporter training or obtain verification within six (6) weeks of hire and annually thereafter, as required by the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act.

This position has a probationary period of six months or 130 days, whichever is longer.

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