

# STOCKTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

### DEFINITION

Receives general supervision from the Grounds/Utility Supervisor to perform specialized tasks in grounds and utility maintenance work by operating specialized construction or power equipment or performing skilled construction tasks; perform general maintenance and construction work; assist skilled trades worker in a variety of jobs; perform specialized grounds work; and perform related duties as assigned. Exercise technical guidance over other workers.

**REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES:** *(Incumbents may perform any combination of the essential functions shown below (E). This position description is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all duties, knowledge, or abilities associated with this classification but is intended to accurately reflect the principle job elements.)*

Operate heavy equipment such as graders, backhoes, bobcats, forklifts, tractors, roller machines, bucket loaders and other related equipment. (E)

Operate a dump truck, bobtail, bucket truck, scissor lift, large mower, trenching equipment, jackhammer, compressor, chipper machine, tree pruning equipment, chainsaw and other related equipment.

Hauls soil, sand, cement mix, road rock, asphalt and other materials for grounds maintenance. (E)

Perform skilled construction, excavating and moving earth, setting grades, cutting drain ditches, digging trenches and backfilling. (E)

Makes repairs and performs skilled work on new walkways, parking lots and other areas working with asphalt, blacktop and concrete utilizing all necessary tools, equipment and materials. (E)

Set up safety barriers, roadblocks and reroute traffic and pedestrians when working on asphalt, concrete, trees or other maintenance work. (E)

Maintain cost records of materials and time. (E)

Perform minor maintenance on heavy equipment. (E)

Maintain regular and prompt attendance in the workplace. (E)

May be required to respond to emergency calls.

Perform related duties as assigned

## **KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:**

### Knowledge of:

- A variety of grounds and utility maintenance procedures performed at a school district
- A variety of building maintenance and grounds repair techniques
- Specialized maintenance and new construction procedures in such areas as concrete, black top and asphalt work.
- The function and purpose of a variety of equipment and tools used in construction and maintenance, including heavy equipment
- Oral and written communication skills

### Ability to:

- Perform specialized maintenance tasks in grounds and utility maintenance including the operation of heavy equipment or the operation of a seven gang mower
- Understand and follow written and verbal instructions
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with others
- Assist with overseeing the work of, and provide training to other workers
- Physical capability sufficient to perform job tasks
- Develop and maintain cooperative working relationships with those contacted in the course of work
- Carry out oral and written directions; write and speak at a level sufficient to fulfill the duties to be performed for the position described

## **EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:**

Any combination of education, training and/or experience equivalent to one year of experience as an operator of heavy equipment.

### License or Certificate

- Possession of a valid California Class A driver's license.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS:**

### ENVIRONMENT:

- Indoor and outdoor work environment
- Regular exposure to fumes, dust and odors
- As required must wear protective devices such as earplugs, dust mask, coveralls, gloves, safety boots and safety glasses

### PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

Employee in this position must have/be able to:

- Dexterity of hands and fingers to operate a variety of trade tools
- Repetitive hand/arm movements (grasp/pinch) for up to 5 or 6 hours
- Repetitive foot movements in operating equipment for up to 5 or 6 hours

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: (continued)

- Walk over uneven ground and/or stand for extended periods of time
- Sit for up to 6 hours
- See with or without assistive devices sufficient to perform assigned duties
- Lift and/or carry up to 40 lbs at waist and/or shoulder height for extended periods of time
- Occasionally lift and push up to 150 lbs for up to 20 ft
- Push/pull up to 100 lbs up to 200 ft.
- Sufficient body movement and balance to bend at the waist, kneel, crawl, crouch, stoop, reach overhead, above the shoulders and horizontally.
- Climb ladders and work from heights
- See, hear and speak with/without assistive devices sufficient to communicate effectively with others

HAZARDS:

- Exposure to cleaning agents and chemicals
- Working on ladders
- Vibration from equipment