

COOK / CHILL TECHNICIAN

JOB SUMMARY

Under general supervision, to perform the major cooking duties in the Nutrition Center; oversee the maintenance, repair and upkeep of Cook / Chill equipment; assist in maintaining food production areas in a clean and sanitary condition; and perform other related work as may be required.

JOB DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Utilize approved standardized recipes, ensuring appropriate procedures and techniques are adhered to;
- Work with Chef Manager to develop new standardized recipes and plan use of USDA commodities;
- Prepare meats, main dishes, vegetables, and other foods;
- Calculate quantities needs for production. Select, measure and prepare ingredients for cooking and adjust quantities as necessary;
- Schedule and chart menu items using production and planning sheets;
- Utilize proper sanitary principles, safety rules and practices according to Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP) procedures and regulations;
- Maintain cooking facilities and equipment in a clean, safe and sanitary condition;
- Train and coordinate personnel in the proper and safe use of food service equipment, maintenance, repair and performance of duties;
- Maintain perpetual inventory off food bank, including all applicable record keeping;
- Perform maintenance on air actuated metered fill station;
- Start up, operate and shut down both low and high pressure steam boiler systems. Report any conditions necessitating repair for proper functioning;
- May assist with repair, maintenance, and upkeep of food service equipment;
- Maintain appropriate records and documentation, as needed, related to job functions;
- Determine necessary materials and supplies needed and requisition as needed;
- Check operation of new equipment prior to delivery and use;
- Ensure tools and equipment are properly used and cared for;
- Maintain proper portioning, utilizing appropriate utensils, according to recipe and planned production;
- Examine work site for needed repairs and maintenance;
- May advise on projects performed by outside contractors;
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with others; exhibiting strong customer skills;
- Communicate effectively and professionally as required;
- Assist in other areas; during periods of reduced production volume and as needed;
- Perform other related work as may be required.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of:

- Appropriate and correct methods for preparing and cooking in large quantities;
- Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP);
- Methods of computing food quantities and adjusting menus;
- Care and use of kitchen utensils and equipment;
- Basic arithmetic and record keeping in ingredients used, quantities required, and nutritional values;
- Safe procedures for startup operation, and shut down of steam boiler;
- Safe working methods, practices and procedures;
- Laws applicable to steam boiler requirements;
- Correct English usage, spelling, grammar and punctuation;
- Office machines and equipment including the use of a computer;

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EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS (Continued)

Ability to:

- Cook skillfully in large quantities;
- Compute food quantities and adjusting menus;
- Prepare and maintain accurate reports and records;
- Provide leadership in the coordination and direction of the work of others;
- Understand and carry out oral and written instructions;
- Establish and maintain an effective working relationship with all levels of District staff, other agencies, community planning groups and the public; Work from diagrams, plans, rough drawings, specifications or verbal instructions;
- Communicate effectively both orally and in writing;
- Meet schedules and timelines;
- Plan and organize work;
- Analyze situations accurately and adopt an effective course of action that demonstrates good problem solving skills;
- Work independently with minimal direction or supervision;
- Read, interpret, apply and explain rules, regulations, policies and procedures.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Education: Equivalent to graduation from high school, and possession of the knowledge and abilities listed above. **Experience:** Two (2) years of recent paid experience in cooking in large quantities in an institutional-type setting is required; Prior experience with and demonstrated competency in operation of low and high pressure steam boiler systems as outlined by California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 781, Section C is required.

REQUIRED LICENSES AND / OR CERTIFICATES

If driving a vehicle is required in the course of work, operator must possess a valid California C Driver's License and maintain possession of such license during the course of employment; have an acceptable driving record, and must be insurable at standard rates by the District's insurance carrier and maintain such insurability; A SERVSAFE Food Safety Management Certification is required.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORKING CONDITIONS

The physical requirements indicated below are examples of the physical aspects that this position must perform in carrying out the essential job duties and responsibilities listed above.

Physical Demands: Reach, bend, stoop and grasp (up to continuously); Stand, walk, look down (frequently); Reach overhead, push, pull, twist (occasionally); Crawl, lay down (infrequently); Lift/carry up to 50 pounds;

Dexterity to grasp and manipulate manual and power driven tools/equipment (frequently); Use seeing, hearing and speaking.

Working Conditions: Work indoors, Nutrition Center, school sites; Outdoors, outdoor feeding locations (i.e. Seamless Summer), driving; Exposure to: cold/heat from freezer and ovens, cooking noises and odors, electrical, mechanical, and gas operated equipment; risk of electrical shock; cleaning fluids; may travel to other District sites; dust/wind; seasonal temperatures (to 110 degrees); Standing for prolonged periods on concrete floors.

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable a person with a disability to perform the essential job duties and responsibilities of the job

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Classified Bargaining Unit Position Range 35

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