



ST PIUS X COLLEGE

CHATSWOOD

Trainee Groundsperson

The Trainee Groundsperson reports to the Business Manager through the Head of Maintenance who supports the delegated authorities and accountabilities of the role. Close collaboration with the College's Resident Caretaker and the Maintenance-Groundsperson is essential. The Trainee Groundsperson industrially is defined under 'General Operational Staff'.

Child Protection legislation requires that, as the preferred applicant of a position classified as child-related employment, you must meet the requirements of the Working with Children Check. Your appointment may be reviewed if information relating to any child-related offence is revealed.

Basic Role Purpose

St Pius X College provides a 2 year contract Traineeship in Horticulture. The Trainee will be supported to complete a Certificate III in Horticulture at Ryde TAFE. In the nationally recognised Certificate III in Horticulture the trainee will learn how to create and nurture different types of green environments that are both beautiful and functional and be industry ready for a fulfilling career.

Values:

- support the Catholic ethos of the College and the charism of Edmund Rice;
- work constructively with others in a supportive culture of trust and open communication;
- fulfil all duty of care responsibilities;
- support the professional reputation of colleagues, respect confidentiality and raise matter of serious concern with the appropriate authority;
- respond appropriately and support the decisions made by the College Leadership Team;
- value and develop collaborative relationship with members of the College community and external users;
- fulfil additional duties requested by the College;
- respect the privacy of all members of the College community and external users and exercise sound judgement in handling sensitive information and situations;
- actively participate and contribute positively to any group of which the Trainee Groundsperson is a member;

- abide by all regulatory Workplace Health and Safety Policies and Guidelines;
- adopt an appropriate manner in respect to dress, appearance and conduct.

Major Responsibilities and Accountabilities

The Trainee Groundsperson will work primarily at the Oxford Falls campus under the direction of and assist the Maintenance–Groundsperson and the Resident Caretaker in the following areas:

Area 1 – Ovals

- Maintenance of 4 ovals – mowing, weeding, fertilising and top-dressing
- Preparation of turf wickets before and during cricket season
- Marking the ovals – appropriate for the various sporting seasons eg Rugby, Soccer and Athletics

Area 2 – Gardens, Grassed Areas & Street Frontage

- Maintain the tidiness of the Centre's perimeters
- Maintain and develop the formal garden areas
- Mow and weed grass areas

Area 3 – Machinery, Associated Equipment & Systems

- Maintain and operate the machinery used in the preparation of ovals and upkeep of gardens and perimeter areas. This includes tractor, pitch roller, mowers, shredder, trimmers et al
- Operation and maintenance of the Centre's irrigation system
- Attending to the turning on of the hot water system and making other specific arrangements for the College's sporting fixtures

Area 4 – The Complex

- General maintenance of the buildings, gymnasium and change rooms eg minor repairs, painting, changing lights etc

Area 5 – General

- The Trainee Groundsperson may be required to work at the College's Chatswood Campus carrying out duties similar to those outlined in Areas 1 to 4
- Carry out special projects at the Treacy Centre as directed by the Principal

Other duties as assigned from time to time by the Principal