

Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI)

Job Overview

The job of CPSI was established for the purpose of providing routine inspection, maintenance and repairs of the district's playground equipment and special needs swings, and ensuring that tools, materials and vehicles are maintained in good working order and are available at job site when needed.

This job reports to the Lead Playground Inspector.

Job Functions

- Performs monthly safety inspections of playground equipment, special needs swings, playground modifications, and installation of new playground equipment.
- Interfaces with principals, school staff and contractors regarding playground equipment selection, installation and maintenance.
- Audits newly installed playground equipment to ensure compliance with current playground safety standards.
- Uses playground equipment manufacturer's recommendations and performs preventive maintenance on district playground equipment and special needs swings.
- Investigates all playground accidents or mishaps and determines action required to mitigate hazards on district playgrounds.
- Maintains a work truck and necessary tools, materials and equipment for playground inspections, repairs and playground equipment installation audits.
- Performs other related duties as assigned for the purpose of ensuring the efficient and effective functioning of the maintenance department.

Travel

Travels on a daily basis throughout the county to perform work at district wide playgrounds and indoor and outdoor special needs swings. Additional travel throughout the county to other facilities may be required during emergency situations such as roof leaks from storm damage, cleanup from water leaks etc.

Working Environment

Work is performed primarily outside of buildings during various temperature extremes and inclement weather with the exception of locations of indoor special needs swings. Work is also performed in areas where students and staff are present. May be exposed to dust from drilling, sanding, grinding etc. and excessive noise from use of power tools, working around heavy equipment etc. Work also results in exposure to various chemicals such as weed killer, pesticides, various adhesives, lubricants etc. Safety Data Sheets are readily available for employee information to identify hazards and protective equipment required prior to use of the chemical or compound.

Generally, the job requires 15% sitting, 45% walking, and 40% standing.

Physical Requirements: Occasional lifting up to 70 lbs, carrying, pushing, pulling; climbing and balancing; frequent stooping, kneeling, crouching, and/or crawling; working off of ladders, and significant fine finger dexterity.





Qualifications

Must successfully become certified as a Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) from the National Recreation and Park Association within one year of being hired for this position. Must maintain certification as a CPSI while assigned to this position.

Minimum experience: Job related experience.

Minimum education: High school diploma or equivalent.

The ideal candidate will have the following education, experience, skills, knowledge, abilities and/or competencies:

- Demonstrated proficiency in operating equipment used in playground audits and inspections, power and hand tools, etc.; adhering to safety practices; handling hazardous materials; and planning and managing projects.
- Ability to adapt to changing work priorities; develop effective working relationships; display mechanical aptitude working under time constraints; and comply with OSHA/TOSHA regulations.

Required Testing:	Required Certificates and/or Licenses:	FLSA Status:
Alcohol & Drug Test	CPSI	Non Exempt

Continuing Education/Training:Clearances:Employee Type:Successful completion of training
toward CPSI licensure and certificationCriminal Justice Fingerprint/Background
ClearanceClassified

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