

**CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH**  
invites applications for the position of:  
**Athletic Field Specialist II**

An Equal Opportunity Employer

**SALARY**

<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
\$20.31 - \$29.46	\$42,244.80 - \$61,276.80

**OPENING DATE:** 12/08/15

**CLOSING DATE:** Open until Filled

**POSITION  
SUMMARY:**

This position is a working athletic field maintenance crew leader position responsible for scheduling maintenance operations; for participating in and overseeing completion of maintenance tasks; for assisting with the development and implementation of turf fertilization, chemical application, cultivation and irrigation programs; and communicating status reports on maintenance operations and assuring field use schedules are adhered to.

**ESSENTIAL  
JOB  
FUNCTIONS:**

Provides hands-on assistance and general supervision of athletic field maintenance using league and tournament schedules to prioritize work. Trains employees on equipment and practices necessary to maintain a successful overall program, solving problems, keeping staff involved and motivated, and meeting and working with citizens, vendors, City and tournament officials and residents involving maintenance of athletic fields. Delegates and assists in the completion of tasks. Operates equipment including, but not limited to tractors, backhoes, box blades, reel mowers, deep tine aerators, walk behind aerators, edgers, trimmers, rotary deck mowers and line cutters, painters and markers. Accurately measures and marks fields, places and removes goals, fencing, bases, and pitching mounds. Inspects and repairs fields, athletic lighting, scoreboards and irrigation and maintains safe clay to turf transition areas. Conducts routine inspections of athletic field related grounds and facilities. Serves as the lead personnel in rain tarp application and removal.

Assists with the development and implementation of turf fertilization, chemical application, cultivation, and irrigation programs based on best management practices. Coordinates usage of shared equipment, performs preventative maintenance on equipment, and provides input and recommendations regarding soil amendments and rental equipment needed to manage work schedules.

Responsible for all tournament operations including: scheduling of personnel, working with officials, directors, and coordinators to discuss needs for tournaments; and, addressing needs of players, coaches and spectators. Works directly with umpires and tournament directors to make proactive decisions in the halting of tournaments due to inclement weather.

Provides support for City-hosted and supported activities and special events.

**EDUCATION  
AND  
EXPERIENCE:**

Work requires knowledge of a specific vocational, administrative, or technical nature that may be obtained with 3 to 5 years of advanced study or training past the high school equivalency.

Five or more years of hands-on, in-field athletic field maintenance experience with three or more years of progressively responsible supervisory experience is required.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

Ability and willingness to work flexible hours, weekends and holidays as needed. Subject to "on-call/stand-by" duty.

**LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES**

Prior to employment, this position requires:

Valid Class "C" driver's license with good driving record and ability to maintain while employed.

The Certified Professional Turfgrass Manager certification from the Texas Turfgrass Association; The Certified Sports Field Manager certification from the Sports Turf Managers Association; or the minimum of an Associate's Degree, applicable experience listed under the "Education and Experience" section, demonstrated ability to meet necessary standards and commitment to attain the Texas Turfgrass Association's CPTM certification; or an approved equivalent combination of licenses, certifications, demonstrated ability, and experience.

As conditions of passing probation, candidate must possess or obtain:

- Class "B" commercial driver's license within six months of hire; and,
- TDA Non-commercial pesticide applicator license within six months of hire.

**APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED ONLINE AT:  
[www.farmersbranchtx.gov](http://www.farmersbranchtx.gov)**