

Summer Staff "Grounds Guru"

Position Description:

Spend your summer outdoors maintaining, enhancing, and developing gardens. Assist with education programming and gain skills in all aspects of garden management.

Start & End Date: May 26th, 2025 through August 22, 2025 (these dates may be flexible)

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Maintain and assist in garden development by pruning, deadheading, weeding, applying mulch, planting and transplanting, dividing perennials, watering, fertilizing, hauling brush, mowing, and raking.
- Provide visitors with information and support.
 - Assist with special and educational events and workshops as needed.
- Work with and support volunteer work groups.
- Operate and perform routine maintenance on power tools and equipment.
- Help to maintain and clean garden facilities, restrooms, and features.

Qualifications:

- Experience gardening and working with garden tools and equipment preferred.
- Able to work independently and within small work teams.
- Good interpersonal skills, friendly and outgoing.
- Attention to detail.
- Self-motivated and hardworking.
- Passion for people, nature, and education.
- Must pass a background check.

Physical Requirements:

• Able to stand, bend, kneel, climb, reach, pull, push, sit, grab, lift, and carry (up to 50 lbs) daily in all weather conditions.

Work Hours: Grounds Gurus typically work between the hours of 7:00am-7:00pm Monday-Friday with occasional weekend and later evening hours required.

Compensation: Starting at \$15 an hour

Reports to: Grounds and Facilities Director

Number of Positions: 2

To apply: Send a cover letter, resume, and three references to Patrick Murphy at pmurphy@monkgardens.org. For questions, call 715-261-6309.