Position: Cleaner

Department: Maintenance

Reports To: School Principal, Maintenance Supervisor, and Custodian

JOB SUMMARY

The purpose of the Cleaner position is to contribute to the overall goals and objectives of the School Division by providing custodial services, ensuring effective physical operation and a positive physical environment through the cleanliness of assigned Division buildings. This role is responsible for maintaining a safe and clean environment for students and staff, which includes general cleaning and minor repairs.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

The Cleaner performs a variety of duties related to building cleaning and grounds maintenance for assigned Division buildings.

Cleaning Duties:

- Perform a variety of cleaning duties in Division buildings as assigned.
- Sanitize all rooms in designated areas, including washing tables, floors, desks, chairs, doorknobs, and vacuuming or sweeping carpeted and hard floors in classrooms.
- Sanitize washrooms, which involve cleaning toilets; washing stall doors and walls; and wiping counters, mirrors, and problem wall areas such as behind garbage cans and under hand dryers.
- Wipe taps, sinks, and counters; sweep and mop floors; and dust surfaces like window ledges, computers, and shelves.
- Change all garbage bags in assigned areas.
- Stripping and waxing floors.
- Operate a variety of cleaning equipment, such as floor scrubbing machines and vacuums.
- Ensure all cleaning work follows Safe Work Procedures.
- Conduct intensive cleaning beyond routine messes and extra cleaning tasks (e.g., washing walls and interior/exterior windows) when time permits.

Grounds Maintenance:

- Support grounds maintenance around Division buildings to assist the Custodian.
- Ensure all grounds maintenance follows Safe Work Procedures.

Building Support & Administration:

- Move furniture and equipment within buildings and between buildings in the Division as requested.
- Receive and inventory materials and supplies as required.
- Assist the Custodian, Principal, Maintenance Supervisor, or other maintenance staff with building projects and maintenance activities as requested.
- Assist the Custodian in completing building and grounds inspections, safety checks and maintain maintenance/safety check logs as assigned.
- Perform minor repairs and assist in maintaining order.
- Handle duties related to rentals as required.

Communication:

- Advise the Custodian of any unusual situations or those requiring a Maintenance Work Order as they relate to building cleaning, maintenance, and repair.
- Effectively communicate and maintain positive relationships with colleagues, Division staff, and administration staff.
- Maintain positive communication with and provide information/direction on the use of facilities to outside user groups.
- Receive, refer, and respond to inquiries, complaints, and requests as required.

Other:

 Perform other job-related duties as required and/or assigned by the Custodian, Principal, or Maintenance Supervisor.

POSITION QUALIFICATIONS

Required Education and Experience

Experience: Prior work-related cleaning experience or equivalent is preferred.

Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Ability to take initiative and work unsupervised.
- Ability to work effectively with others as a member of a team.
- Ability to communicate effectively with people both orally and in writing.
- Physically fit and capable of physical work.

- Ability to work effectively under pressure and within defined timeframes.
- Flexibility to adjust to changing work assignments.
- Ability to deal with and maintain confidential information.

Preferred Qualifications

- Graduation from Grade 12 or equivalent.
- Current WHMIS training and certification.
- A working knowledge of and experience with commercial cleaning equipment.
- Valid Class 5 Driver's License.

COMPETENCIES

Organizational

- Teamwork and Collaboration: Demonstrates the ability to work cooperatively and effectively with colleagues, Division staff, and external parties to achieve shared goals.
- Communication: Communicates clearly, concisely, and professionally, both verbally and in writing, with diverse groups.
- Adaptability: Adjusts effectively to changing work assignments, priorities, and environmental conditions.
- Initiative: Demonstrates self-motivation and acts without constant supervision to complete tasks and address issues.

Role Specific

- Physical Stamina and Dexterity: Capable of performing physically demanding work, including operating equipment, moving items, and executing cleaning tasks over extended periods.
- Attention to Detail and Safety: Meticulously performs cleaning and maintenance duties, consistently adhering to Safe Work Procedures and identifying potential hazards.
- Independent Work Ethic: Reliably completes assigned duties with minimal oversight, managing time and tasks efficiently.
- Confidentiality: Handles and maintains sensitive information with discretion and integrity.
- Pressure Management: Effectively manages workload and responsibilities within established timeframes, even under pressure.

WORK CONDITIONS

Physical Demands

- The role requires the incumbent to be physically fit and capable of performing physically demanding work.
- The intensity of physical effort ranges from low to high intensity, with tasks often requiring more than two hours per day.

Environment

- The role involves constant exposure to disagreeable elements.
- There is a minor to moderate risk of injury, harm, or illness.
- The incumbent works in a team environment but is also expected to work well independently and adjust to changing work assignments.
- The role requires dealing with and maintaining confidential information.