

Wesco Food Society – Hiring Form

Employer: Wesco Food Society.

Job Position: School Gardener - Youth Worker.

Job Type: Casual, Part Time, Summer Job, Career opportunities.

Salary: \$20.00/hour

In Port Alberni, BC.

Send Resume at: wescofoods@hotmail.com

WESCO FOOD SOCIETY is an engaged Not-for-Profit Social Enterprise that serves its community as a sovereignty-association representing local food production & development. We are advocates for the development of our region's Food Security, Engage in Healthy and Sustainable Food Production, Preservation & Development; Agri-Food Accessibility & Initiatives, Organic Growth, Soil Regeneration, Permaculture & Climate Change Adaptation.

JOB SUMMARY

We are looking for a Gardener to develop, install and maintain the school garden, trees, and green spaces on the property. Gardeners' responsibilities include monitoring the health of all plants and green spaces, watering and feeding plants, trimming trees and shrubs, keeping the garden free of weeds, fertilizing, and mowing lawns, weeding gardens, and keeping green spaces and walkways clear of debris and litter. You will create and maintain a crop plan with the school kitchen team to have produce available for our food-for-school program.

You should know how to use and maintain landscaping equipment, including mowers, trimmers, and fertilizers while following health and safety regulations. Ultimately, you will make sure our gardens and green spaces are always healthy and beautiful.

CANDIDATE PROFILE

Education and Experience

*First Aid Certification required

- 3 years experience in gardening, farming, or other related professional area.
- Or
- Diplomat from an accredited school in market gardening or Landscape horticulture.

CORE WORK ACTIVITIES

Responsibilities

- Maintaining lawns and other green spaces.
- Create and maintain a crop plan based on the kitchen team's crop requirement.
- Installing landscapes and seasonal flower designs.
- Monitoring and ensuring plant health.
- Install and maintain seasonal plants.
- Mow, trim, and fertilize green spaces.

- Mulch, edge, and weed gardens.
- Prune and trim trees and bushes.
- Maintain all gardening equipment and machinery, like mowers, trimmers, and leaf blowers.
- Monitor and maintain the health of plants.
- Deal with pest problems that could damage plants.
- Keep gardens and green spaces clear of debris and litter.

Job Requirements and Skills

- Experience as a Gardener.
- Familiarity with landscaping design.
- Solid knowledge of regional plant life.
- Knowledge of local pests and how to eliminate them.
- Knowledge of natural fertilizers.
- Knowledge of state health and safety regulations for landscaping.
- A love of the outdoors and plant life.
- A high school degree or GED.

We are an equal-opportunity employer. We believe in hiring diversity in our workforce and sustaining inclusivity, a people-first culture. We are committed to non-discrimination on any protected basis, such as disability or any other basis covered under applicable law. We encourage Homelessness applications under a soberness act policy with zero tolerance.

Sincerely,
Wesco Food Society
250-735-6532

Sylvain Rollin