Agricultural Assistant

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Ontario Secondary School Teachers’ Federation District 35-
Technician/Administrative/Research/Agricultural

Agricultural Assistant

Ridgetown Campus
(3 positions available)

Hiring #: 2016-0351

Please read the Application Instructions [2] before applying

The Agricultural Assistants support a variety of Research Station duties and responsibilities which include the safe operation of a full and diverse line of tractors, trucks and related farm equipment in support of cropping activities. Examples of cropping duties would include: planting, fertilizing, spraying, harvesting, and storage of various crops (i.e. corn, alfalfa, wheat, soybeans, etc.) for livestock feed.

The successful candidates will assist with the daily husbandry of various livestock operations and the routine maintenance of related equipment and facilities. Livestock species normally housed at the Ridgetown Campus include: dairy, beef, swine and sheep. Examples of husbandry duties include, but are not limited to, milking, feeding, health, breeding, and movement of animals. The incumbents will also assist with other general campus activities including the delivery and storage of feedstocks for the bio digester; maintenance of research station property; and special campus events such as parking and animal transportation. Typical work required with the digester could include the transporting of manure, weighing and unloading of off-campus feedstocks and removal of digestate from the facility. The successful candidates will also participate in the training and supervision of summer students to ensure safe practices are being followed.

Requirements for the position include a two-year Associate Diploma in Agriculture or complimentary diploma (e.g. Veterinary Technology) and 18 months related experience or an equivalent combination of education and experience. The incumbents must have or obtain Grower Pesticide Safety Certification, WHMIS training, and chainsaw certification. The successful candidates must have mechanical ability, computer skills including proficiency in word processing, precision Ag software, valid Class AZ driver license, First Aid with CPR certification and fork lift training. Additionally, the candidates must be able to operate a diverse line of tractors, trucks and related farm equipment such as pumps and grain dryers; be comfortable working with large animals. The job involves frequent lifting and a diverse range of motions for a wide variety of activities. The successful candidates must be able to work both independently and as part of a team plus have strong organizational and time management skills.

Position Number         0463-009, 0463-012, 0463-013

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Classification: OSSTF/TARA, District 35 Salary Band 04*
Salary Range:
$22.14 Minimum (Level 1)
$24.74 Normal Hiring Limit (Level 3)
$29.94 Job Rate (Level 7)

*Tentative evaluation; subject to committee review

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