

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA
JOB INTERVIEW CONTEST
2012-2013
JOB TITLES AND CONTACT PERSONS

Note: Please prepare a letter of introduction to ONLY ONE of the job interview titles listed below. All information on the application, listed in your resume, communicated during the interview, etc. is to be accurate. Please approach the contest as if the openings appeared in your local newspaper.

Agribusiness Management – Sales clerk

Olsen's Grain, Inc. has been a major retail supplier of pet, livestock, and wild bird feeds since 1979. They are looking for a person preferably with leadership experience and retail experience is a plus. The most desirable candidate would have excellent time management, organization skills, communication skills and positive attitude that is a team player. The employee must maintain outstanding customer service as per Company standards and be able to coordinate inventory levels appropriate to sales with the warehouse employees. Olsen's Grain, P.O. Box 808, Madera, CA 93637

Agricultural Mechanics – Small Engine Mechanic

The prime function of the Small Engine Mechanic is to carry out preventive maintenance and repairs of rental small engine equipment and tools to ensure that it is received in good working condition by the next rental customer. Perform safety inspections on equipment and maintain a clean and safe shop work environment. Service equipment as required to ensure proper working condition when leaving the shop. Candidate must be able to troubleshoot equipment problems and have the ability to communicate equipment issues and understand job assignments to the manager. A solid written and verbal communication skill is required. Please send resume and letter of introduction to: Sunbelt Rentals, 149 Main Street, Salinas, CA 93962

Ornamental Horticulture – Sales Representative

Sunshine Gardens is looking for a sales representative to work in their retail store. The candidate is encouraged to have basic horticultural skills; be familiar with the life span and seasons of basic flowers; be able to communicate with customers; and must be able to identify plant species and answer basic customer questions. This position will require working independently to make plant recommendations to potential customers. Daily watering and plant monitoring will be required. Candidate must have the ability to lift and load heavy plant containers. Please send resume and letter of introduction to: Sunshine Gardens, Kristy Gray, Manager, 155 Quail Garden Drive, Encinitas, CA 92023

Animal Science – Calf Feeder

Orange Blossom Dairy is looking at expanding their dairy heifer replacement program and is looking for a person to feed calves twice a day. This position will require the employee to monitor the calves' daily intake of milk, hay, grain and protein supplements. Basic animal husbandry and veterinary skills are a must, as the candidate will be required to provide treatments as necessary. Candidate will be required to maintain a clean and sanitary facility using proper biosecurity measures established by the company. Please send a resume and letter of introduction to: Orange Blossom Dairy, 2550 Road FF, Willows, CA 95988

Forestry and Natural Resources – Utility Forester

ACRT Inc. is currently seeking energetic entry-level individuals who enjoy working outdoors. Our field positions are ideal for students with an interest in forestry, horticulture, arboriculture, environmental studies, conservation or related disciplines. Our Foresters perform identification, inspection, and evaluation of trees and brush along utility lines; submit inspection results to clients with recommendations; plan, direct, and coordinate the activities of assigned tree clearance crews; and serves as a liaison between our clients and tree crews. Must have the ability to work independently in rugged terrain and inclement weather; must have strong verbal and communication skills; must have the ability to read and follow maps. Please send a resume and letter of introduction to: ACRT Inc, William Borrer, President, 222 S Shepard Street, Sonora, CA 95370

Plant and Soil Science – Greenhouse Technician

The candidate will work under the direction of the Nursery Greenhouse Manager assisting with plant care and provide technical support for growing of Driscoll's proprietary plant varieties of Blackberry, Blueberry, Raspberry and Strawberry in greenhouses and outside nursery areas. Responsible for overseeing the transplanting, establishment, propagation, maintenance, and inventory management of proprietary plant material in greenhouse and outside growing areas in direct support of the overall Nursery Department. Must have good communication skills, self-starter, able to lift 25 pounds on an intermittent basis. Follows Company policies and practices while representing Driscoll's in an ethical and business-like manner in all interactions with employees, government agencies, growers, etc.. Candidate must ensure the safe keeping of propriety varieties and confidential information. Please send resume and letter of introduction to: Driscoll's, Steve Baxter, Manager, 151 Stillman Road, Watsonville, CA 95076

Floral – Assistant Floral Designer

Stems is a unique, retail florist located in downtown Santa Rosa – the heart of wine country. Stems specialize in beautiful, custom floral designs using a wide variety of materials, both locally grown and imported. As an independent florist, they specialize in weddings, corporate and in home deliveries. Candidates must be able to be creative with designs, have strong communication skills, and be able to make deliveries. This job will require lifting 25 pounds or more and working long hours during holidays, weekends and special events. Please send resume and letter of introduction to: Stems Floral Design, Jerry Schooley, Owner, 864 4th Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95404