



Field Maintenance Internship

Reports To: Director of Athletics

Who wants to spend their summer stuck in a cubicle? If you love sports and want to work outdoors, we have the perfect job for you.

The field maintenance intern for Think Detroit PAL will have the opportunity have a direct, positive impact on the lives of Detroit's children. Think Detroit PAL is a nonprofit organization that, in partnership with individual volunteers and the Detroit Police Department, builds character in young people through athletic, academic and leadership programs.

Each summer, Think Detroit PAL fields nearly 100 baseball and softball teams and 80 soccer teams. Unlike most youth sports leagues, which rely on city governments to maintain public parks, Think Detroit PAL maintains all 24 fields its teams play on.

The field maintenance intern will assist the field maintenance crew in preparing these fields for use before and during the season. The internship will last from May-August 2011. Internship is unpaid but will be an excellent, hands-on learning experience. Approximately 20 hours per week.

Desirable Credentials, Skills and Traits:

- Strong work ethic
- Commitment to providing clean and safe sports facilities
- Outstanding attention to detail and organization
- Exceptional project management skills
- High standards for excellence in execution

Responsible for:

- Assisting with pre-season preparation of baseball and soccer fields including weeding, trimming, dragging, mound/home plate work, painting
- Assisting with pre-game field preparation including dragging, painting/chalking lines, removing water, trash removal
- Assisting volunteers during corporate park clean-ups
- Operating small landscape machinery and tools
- Assisting with related duties as assigned

Required education/skills:

- Major in turf grass management, landscaping or groundskeeping preferred
- Experience maintaining athletic fields
- Able to lift at least 50 lbs. and operate machinery
- Valid drivers license
- Able to work outdoors in extreme weather conditions