



JOB DESCRIPTION

HORTICULTURAL ASSISTANT – SUMMER STUDENT

OBJECTIVE

Reporting to the Potato Breeder in the Exclusive Varieties Department, the Horticultural Assistant will assist the team with the potato breeding project.

QUALIFICATIONS

Education:

- Recent graduate and/or currently enrolled in a post-secondary horticulture program

Experience & Skills:

- Possesses a high degree of attention to detail
- Ability to perform repetitive tasks
- Ability to work under hot and humid conditions in a greenhouse setting for prolonged periods of time
- Ability to work independently and as a part of a team
- Ability to lift 30lbs
- Flexibility and willingness to work overtime as required
- Valid driver's license; ability to travel locally to off-site work locations

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Assist with transplanting seed potatoes in the field.
2. Sow and transplant True Potato seeds.
3. Scout and general maintenance of plant health.
4. Collect leaf tissue samples for analysis.
5. Label and prepare standard laboratory materials.
6. Perform other duties as required by the Potato Breeder.

Please note this is a summer contract role, May 4, 2026 to August 28, 2026

Working Hours: Monday to Friday 7am-3pm

Locations of Work: 1) EarthFresh, Millgrove – 992 Hwy 6 N., Millgrove, Ontario

2) Schenck Farms - 1396 S Service Rd, St. Catharines, Ontario