# **COOK**

# **DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:**

This position is responsible for the preparation and cooking of a variety of foods. Work is carried out in accordance with established procedures and involves the preparation of an entire meal or part of a meal. The work is performed under the general supervision of a higher level employee. Supervision may be exercised over subordinate personnel.

# **TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

The following is indicative of the level and types of activities performed by incumbents in this title. It is not meant to be all inclusive and does not preclude a supervisor from assigning activities not listed which could reasonably be expected to be performed by an employee in this title.

- 1. Prepares and cooks meat, fish, poultry, soups, vegetables, macaroni, desserts, salads and other foods;
- 2. Bakes cakes, pies, rolls and a variety of other desserts;
- 3. Supervises and participates in the proper cleaning of serving, storage and dining areas, and in the care of equipment;
- 4. May oversee the preparation of food for delivery to other sites;
- 5. May supervise the proper storing of food;
- 6. May keep simple related records;
- 7. May assist in the ordering of food and supplies.

### **FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:**

Knowledge of the tools and methods of preparing, cooking and storing food sufficient to prepare large quantities of food in a safe and economical fashion;

Knowledge of cleaning methods, materials and equipment to maintain food preparation and service areas in a sanitary and safe condition;

Ability to follow oral and written directions and recipes;

Ability to direct the work of assistants and food service helpers;

Ability to coordinate the preparation of meals in a timely fashion;

Personal characteristics necessary to perform the duties of the position;

Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

EITHER: (A) Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma and six (6) months of experience as a Food Service Helper;

OR: (B) One (1) year of experience which primarily involved the preparation, cooking, serving and storage of large quantities of food.

#### NOTES:

- 1. For the purpose of these minimum qualifications, a typical 10 month, 30+ hour per week position in a school food service program may be considered to be a full year of experience.
- 2. Training courses in the preparation, cooking and storage of food may be substituted for up to 6 months of the above work experience.
- 3. An Associate's degree in Food Service may be substituted for the above work experience.

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