

2717 Tye Brook Hwy Piney River, VA 22964 March 3, 2023

# Nursery/Orchard Horticultural Worker

**Position Description:** Saunders Brothers is a wholesale nursery and orchard operation in central Virginia. Saunders Brothers is looking entry level employees for nursery and orchard tasks.

#### **Duties- Must be willing to:**

- Perform a variety of tasks in a container nursery including: planting, fertilizing, moving, weeding, pruning, tagging, watering, hauling, and other assorted nursery tasks.
- Loading/unloading wagons and trucks, covering/uncovering greenhouses, and filling pots.
- Perform a variety of tasks in field planting including: digging, transplanting, mulching, planting, wrapping, hauling, ditching, shoveling, hoeing, cultivating, and potting newly dug plants.
- Assist in harvesting peaches, apples, Asian Pears and nectarines.
- Trim, plant, cut suckers, insert/remove tree spreaders, and perform other duties in the orchard.
- Assist in packing fruit in boxes and loading onto pallets.

#### **Requirements:**

- Must have 3 months experience working in a nursery or orchard.
- Must be physically capable of performing the responsibilities and requirements of this position including unloading plants that may weigh as much 100 lbs.

**Supervisor:** This position will answer directly to various supervisory staff at Saunders Brothers.

Pay and Benefits: Pay is \$14.91 per hour. Some piece rate is offered on some tasks.

<u>Work Time and Hours</u>: Depending on the season, the workday will start at 7 or 8am and end at 5pm. Lunch break is from 12 pm-1pm. Will work on most Saturdays.

<u>Drug Testing and Background Checks:</u> Saunders Brothers is committed to providing a drug-free and safe workplace. Therefore, this individual will be subject to random drug testing, reasonable suspicion testing, and will be subject to post-accident testing. In addition, the applicant will be subject to a background check.

<u>Information and Application</u>: Contact Mari Johnson at <u>jobs@saundersbrothers.com</u>. The job description may be seen at <u>www.saundersbrothers.com</u> and the application can be completed online or downloaded from the website.

<u>Start Date</u>: As soon as a qualified applicants are identified.

## **Saunders Brothers Core Values**

Faith- Our Core Values and business practices are directed by our Christian faith.

Integrity-Honesty and truthfulness are foundational to our business.

Passion- We strive to enthusiastically share our love for Agriculture.

Family- The Saunders Brothers' Family includes and fosters many diverse families, generations, races, religions, and nationalities.

To make a profit doing something we love.

To have a positive impact on our employees, customers, suppliers, community, and environment. To provide a productive, nurturing, and fulfilling environment for our team.

### **Strategy**

To be a premier supplier of superb-quality plant material for garden centers, landscapers, and public gardens throughout the Eastern United States.

To be a premier supplier of extraordinary fruit to the people of the Mid-Atlantic area.