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Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation District 35-
Technician/Administrative/Research/Agricultural**

Vegetable Production Technician

Fruit & Vegetable Research, Ridgetown Campus

Hiring #: 2019-0246

Please read the [Application Instructions](#) before applying

The position of Vegetable Production Technician is responsible for the vegetable crop management program at the Ridgetown Campus which includes cropping systems research on fresh and processing vegetables. Typical crops grown in the research program include field peas, sweet corn, peppers, tomatoes, garlic, cucumbers, and sugarbeets. The position is responsible for planning, organizing, conducting, summarizing and analysing research from over 1,600 small field plots annually. The position has to schedule specified treatment applications, maintain and manage a field laboratory, operate specialized equipment and prepare extension summaries and/or annual reports.

The position is also responsible for hiring, training, instructing and supervising 4 to 5 seasonal fulltime employees. The quality of the data collected is critical to the credibility of the data being published and disseminated. The technician is responsible for machinery and research land base maintenance and improvements.

Requirements for the position include: Undergraduate Degree in a related field (Agriculture preferred) with five years of related experience. The position requires professional certification in Grower Pesticide Safety Certificate, and Ontario Ministry of Environmental Pesticide Applicator's License. The position requires a thorough understand and knowledge of vegetable crop production practices, tillage practices, integrated pest management techniques, small and large agricultural equipment use, and AZ driver's license. Proficiency in word processing, specialized research data management software, statistical analysis programs. Power Point and Excel spreadsheets is a definite asset. Strong communication (written and oral) and interpersonal skills are needed, as are superior organizational and time management skills.

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| Position Number | 462-041 |
| Classification | OSSTF/TARA, District 35 Salary Band 7* |
| Salary Range | \$29.33 Minimum (Level 1) \$32.75 Normal Hiring Limit (Level 3) \$39.68 Job Rate (Level 7) |

*Tentative evaluation; subject to committee review.

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