



Operator Edition

A cool handed operator is key to a successful crop season. These are the farmers you see in the field making sure everything goes smoothly and the crops are treated properly and safely. Operators keep the wheels turning, literally. Your career path can start as simply as mowing the lawn or pulling trailers, and can lead you to becoming an Earth Moving Entrepreneur!

How to get there.



EDUCATION/ CERTIFICATIONS

- Commercial Driver's License (CDL)
- Heavy Equipment Operator Certificate/Associates
- Commercial Pesticide License
- On the Job training

CAREER PATHWAY

Operating equipment is a skill that comes from patience and practice. Starting your career path as a cool handed operator begins with smaller machinery. Once you dial in your depth perception, the sky is the limit. A skilled operator is a highly sought after individual, and this role can take you from operator seat and pushing dirt to pulling G's in a crop duster.

What to Expect.



STARTING WAGES

\$40-50K/Year

TYPICAL WAGES

\$100K/Year

WORK ENVIRONMENT

- Outside in dirty/dusty/muddy conditions to climate controlled cabs

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Loaders and Spreaders

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BUSY TIME

Fall

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

- Diverse equipment operating experience
- Independent work environment
- DJ your own theme music while working

CAREER GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

- Heavy Equipment Operator
- Crop Consultant
- Agriculture Management Role

Sprayers

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BUSY TIME

Spring/Fall

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

- Operate cutting edge technology
- Independent work environment
- Knowledge of nutritionals and products applied on farms

CAREER GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

- Crop Consultants
- Location Managers
- Precision Agriculture Specialist

Fertilizer Slangers

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BUSY TIME

Fall/
Early Winter

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

- Independent work environment
- Heavy equipment operating experience
- Knowledge of products used in field

CAREER GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

- Crop Consultant
- Equipment Sales
- Precision Agriculture Specialist

Erosion Control

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BUSY TIME

Summer/
Fall

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

- Diverse heavy equipment experience
- Independent work environment
- GPS grading experience

CAREER GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

- Entrepreneurial opportunities
- Relocate anywhere with your experience.
- Sales, Technician or management opportunities



Workforce Scouting

