General Manager (restaurant)

Job Description:

The Restaurant General Manager is responsible for overseeing and ensuring the functionality of the restaurant, including the selection, development and performance management of employees. In addition, they oversee the inventory and ordering of food and supplies, optimize profits and ensure that guests are satisfied with their dining experience. The Restaurant General Manager reports to the owner or, if in a chain or franchise, to a regional supervisor.

Job Responsibilities:

* Coordinate with heads of restaurant areas (chef, dining, bar, etc)
* Oversee and manage all areas of the restaurant and make final decisions on matters of importance.
* Adhere to company standards and service levels to increase sales and minimize costs, including food, beverage, supply, utility and labor costs.
* Responsible for ensuring that all financial (invoices, reporting) and personnel/payroll related administrative duties are completed accurately, on time and in accordance with company policies and procedures.
* Enforce sanitary practices for food handling, general cleanliness, and maintenance of kitchen and dining areas.
* Ensure compliance with operational standards, company policies, federal/state/local laws, and ordinances.
* Responsible for ensuring consistent high quality of food preparation and service.
* Maintain professional restaurant image, including restaurant cleanliness, proper uniforms, and appearance standards.
* Estimate food and beverage costs.
* Hire and fire staff.
* Provide training and supervision for staff
* Ensure staff have the resources and functional equipment to perform job duties.
* Work with Corporate office staff for efficient provisioning and purchasing of supplies.
* Supervise portion control and quantities of preparation to minimize waste.
* Estimate food needs, place orders with distributors, and schedule the delivery of fresh food and supplies.
* Be ServSafe certified.
* Uphold and enforce all ServSafe guidelines.
* Ensure positive guest service in all areas.
* Respond to complaints, taking any and all appropriate actions to turn dissatisfied guests into return guests.
* Ensure that proper security procedures are in place to protect employees, guests and company assets.
* Maintain a smooth and comfortable flow of service for staff and customers
* Ensure a safe working and guest environment to reduce the risk of injury and accidents.
* Completes accident reports promptly in the event that a guest or employee is injured.
* Manage shifts which include: daily decision making, scheduling, planning while upholding standards, product quality and cleanliness.
* Investigate and resolve complaints concerning food quality and service.
* Provide direction to employees regarding operational and procedural issues.
* Interview hourly employees. Direct hiring, supervision, development and, when necessary, termination of employees.
* Conduct orientation, explain the company philosophy, and oversee the training of new employees.
* Develop employees by providing ongoing feedback, establishing performance expectations and by conducting performance reviews.
* Maintain an accurate and up-to-date plan of restaurant staffing needs. Prepare schedules and ensure that the restaurant is staffed for all shifts.
* Provide strong presence in local community and high level of community involvement by restaurant and personnel.
* Keeps Regional Vice President promptly and fully informed of all issues (i.e. problems, unusual matters of significance and positive events) and takes prompt corrective action where necessary or suggests alternative courses of action.
* Completes job responsibilities and performance objectives in a timely and effective manner and in accordance with company policies and procedures.
* Maintains a favorable working relationship with all company employees to foster and promote a cooperative and harmonious working climate which will be conducive to maximum employee morale, productivity and efficiency/effectiveness.
* At all times provides a favorable image of company
* Performs other duties and responsibilities as required or requested.
* Ensures adequate staffing for each shift
* Position requires prolonged standing, bending, stooping, twisting, lifting products and supplies weighing 45 pounds, and repetitive hand and wrist motion.
* Work with hot, cold, and hazardous equipment as well as operates phones, computers, fax machines, copiers, and other office equipment.
* Ability to perform all functions at the restaurant level, including delivery when needed.
* Be present during health department and state inspections
* Prepare staff and restaurant to pass health department and state inspections

Job Qualifications:

* Bachelors in restaurant management, hospitality, or other related field required
* Masters in restaurant management, hospitality, or other related field preferred
* Experience as a restaurant general manager

Opportunities as a restaurant general manager are available for applicants without experience in which more than one restaurant general manager is needed in an area such that an experienced restaurant general manager will be present to mentor.

Job Skills Required:

* Knowledge of industry standards and regulations
* Knowledge of health department regulations
* Ability to multitask
* Excellent customer service skills
* Good communication skills
* Ability to lead others
* Ability to resolve staff issues
* Able to work calmly under high pressure
* Team Player
* Knowledge of computers (MS Word, Excel).
* Proficient in the following dimensions of restaurant functions: food planning and preparation, purchasing, sanitation, security, company policies and procedures, personnel management, recordkeeping, and preparation of reports.
* Self-discipline, initiative, leadership ability and outgoing.
* Pleasant, polite manner and a neat and clean appearance.
* Ability to motivate employees to work as a team to ensure that food and service meet appropriate standards.
* Must be able to handle the pressures of simultaneously coordinating a wide range of activities and recommend appropriate solutions to restaurant problems.
* Must possess good communication skills for dealing with diverse staff.
* Ability to coordinate multiple tasks such as food, beverage and labor cost while maintaining required standards of operation in daily restaurant activities.
* Ability to determine applicability of experience and qualifications of job applicants.