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**About Wenke Greenhouse**

Wenke Greenhouses is an independent, family-owned garden center located in Kalamazoo, Michigan. We have been growing flowers and other plants for Kalamazoo gardeners for more than 60 years. We have one retail location which is on the corner of Sprinkle & Market in Kalamazoo, MI. Wenke has four wholesale growing facilities; three locations are right here in Kalamazoo, and the third is in Douglas, GA. Our wholesale focus is annuals, vegetables, herbs, perennials, and most recent, houseplants.

From the bright colors to the sweet fragrances, flowers can evoke a range of emotions and bring a little bit of sunshine into our lives. Our motto “***The Earth Laughs in Flowers”*** reflects our commitment to spreading joy through the beauty of flowers. We hope that our customers will share in our love for flowers and join us in making the world a happier place, one flower at a time.

**Our retail store is currently accepting applications for friendly, hard workers with a passion for gardening and community.**

Our team members strive to make our garden center the benchmark of customer satisfaction. Whether the customer is an avid gardener or a first-time trowel holder, our team members make them feel special by providing an inviting and knowledgeable place for their shopping experience. Most importantly, we are looking for quality, dependable employees. Our team members must have a positive attitude, enjoy helping customers and be willing to do physical work – must not be afraid to get hot, cold, tired, and dirty. Plant knowledge is welcomed and appreciated but not required. All the jobs require a lot of walking, bending, lifting, and twisting. Temperatures can fluctuate from very warm to very cold.

Most positions available are seasonal. Interviews begin mid-March. Jobs at the retail store generally start at the beginning of April and go through mid to late June. Some people work 40 hours a week while others work a minimum of 12 hours a week. The minimum hiring age is 16 years old. Everyone is required to work either Saturday or Sunday and many people work both days. Store hours are typically Mon – Sat 9am -7pm and Sundays 11-6. Work hours may begin before or end after these hours depending on the work that needs to be done. Shifts can vary from 4 hours to 8+ hours dependent on our mutual needs. Please keep in mind that May is our busiest month of the season and that *Mother’s Day weekend and Memorial Day weekend are mandatory for all retail employees.* The retail store will begin serving customers April 1, 2025. Starting wage is $14/hr. with seasonal bonus opportunity.

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**Wenke Greenhouse Retail Store**

**Application for Seasonal Employment (2025)**

Complete and return your application to ***laura@wenkegreenhouses.com***or mail your application to 5071 Market St, Kalamazoo, MI 49048 Attn: Laura.

Today’s Date:Click or tap to enter a date.

Name: Click or tap here to enter text. Telephone Number: Click or tap here to enter text.

Address: Click or tap here to enter text. City, State, Zip Code: Click or tap here to enter text.

Email Address: Click or tap here to enter text.

Have you ever worked for Wenke Greenhouses in the past? Choose an item. If yes, when? Click or tap here to enter text.

Are you over 18 years of age? Choose an item. Are you legally eligible for employment in the U.S.? Choose an item.

Have you been convicted of a Felony or Misdemeanor? Choose an item. If yes, please explain: Click or tap here to enter text.

Are you currently on probation? Choose an item. Are you currently employed? Choose an item. If employed, may we contact your current employer? Choose an item.

**Education/Training**

High School Click or tap here to enter text. Graduated? Choose an item.

College/Trade School Click or tap here to enter text. Graduated? Choose an item.

Special Skills/Training Click or tap here to enter text.

**Availability and Hours**

How many hours would you like to work per week? Please specify minimum and maximum hours desired per week.

Minimum? Click or tap here to enter text. Maximum? Click or tap here to enter text.

When are you available to start? Click or tap to enter a date.

Are you available to work on Saturdays? Choose an item. Sundays? Choose an item. Please use this space for any comments about weekend availability Click or tap here to enter text.

Will you be working another job, if hired? Choose an item. Other job schedule: Click or tap here to enter text.

Will you be attending school while working? Choose an item. When does school end for the season? Click or tap to enter a date. What is your school schedule? Click or tap here to enter text.

Any availability that would need to be consider when scheduling, if you were hired (appointments, planned vacation, certain days of the week off, etc.): Click or tap here to enter text.

**General**

What makes you interested in working at Wenke Greenhouses? Click or tap here to enter text.

Have you ever been to Wenke Greenhouses before? Choose an item. If yes, please tell us about your experience. Click or tap here to enter text.

Describe your plant knowledge. Do you know more about annuals, perennials, vegetables, shrubs, houseplants, or other types of plants? How did you gain this knowledge? Click or tap here to enter text.

**What types of jobs are you willing to do?**

[ ]  Stocking (more physical work with a smiling/helpful attitude)

[ ]  Cashier (accuracy and computer ability with a smiling/helpful attitude)

[ ]  Sales Associate (ability to work with customers with a smiling/helpful attitude – plant knowledge helpful)

**Work Experience:** *Please start with most recent. Ok to send resume instead of completing this section.*

Employer: Click or tap here to enter text. Phone: Click or tap here to enter text.

Supervisor/Contact’s name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Dates of employment: Click or tap here to enter text. Wage: Click or tap here to enter text.

Position/Responsibilities: Click or tap here to enter text. Reason for leaving? Click or tap here to enter text.

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**Once application is complete, please be sure to “save as” your first and last name and then please return the application to** **laura@wenkegreenhouses.com****. Please attach resume if you have one listing your interests or anything else you would like us to know about you.**