OLLIE IRENE



Ollie Irene is a local, chef-owned restaurant, twice nominated for James Beard Awards, where teamwork, individual skill, intensity of purpose, quality of food & drink, and personal growth is at the core of what we do. We serve a devoted clientele a technically sound, seasonally-inspired, and globally/historically-informed menu.

Our Values: Focus, Discipline, Organization, Teamwork

- 1. Perform your responsibilities thoroughly and thoughtfully.
- 2. Plan ahead and properly prioritize duties.
- 3. Anticipate, prevent, and solve problems correct your peers when you see mistakes; ask for help & give help.
- 4. Be self-motivated and take ownership of your own development and discipline.
- 5. Engage with your responsibilities beyond the building. Think ahead in the season, read industry-related material, cook at home, eat out.
- 6. Respect real food, classic techniques, seasonality, time-honored kitchen operations, methods, and culture.

Job Description: Chef de Cuisine

Works directly with executive chef and has a large amount of responsibility in kitchen, including managing all other kitchen staff and ensuring all prepared food meets quality standards.

Qualifications:

- 7-10 years cooking in fine-dining restaurant
- Proven track record leading and managing others
- Strong communication skills with employees, vendors, and customers
- Solid understanding of cooking techniques, ingredients, equipment, and related processes and systems
- Problem solving capabilities in a fast-paced, high-pressure environment
- Time management strengths with ability to multi-task, complete work on time, & <u>effectively delegate</u> work to all kitchen staff
- Skilled in processing whole proteins: cutting, weighing, storage, labeling, dating, use
- Knowledge of health and safety standards
- Understanding of ordering, invoicing, receiving, determining quality of ingredients
- Experience with upkeep of physical plant
- Familiarity with best practices in the industry

Responsibilities:

- Ensures kitchen operates efficiently & professionally to executive chef's standard
- Maintains kitchen inventory and orders supplies
- Effectively resolves issues related to quality & accuracy of orders
- Accountable for pars for service, daily order, weekly menu, scrap/ideas for uses, daily family meal
- Properly processes orders, invoices, credits/outstanding payments, receiving, quality of incoming products
- Effectively manages AM prep flow
- Helps with proteins and sauces
- Cooks menu items in cooperation with the rest of the kitchen staff before and during service
- During service, ensures that food comes out simultaneously, in high quality, and in a timely fashion
- Makes sure all plates leaving kitchen meet taste, temperature, and plating standards

- Takes control to quickly resolve any issues that arise in kitchen
- Maintains compliance with all sanitation, health, and safety codes
- Leads service requests, schedules service visits, attempts repair or acts as point-person for repairs
- Fills in for executive chef when necessary

Skills that Affect Pay:

- Cooking Skill
- Understanding food cost
- Help maintaining physical plant
- Proper ordering of ingredients
- Good management & control of ingredients
- Positive People Management
- Help Training incoming cooks
- Discussion of seasonal changes to menu
- Leadership by Example and Communication

Performance Items that can Negatively Affect Pay:

- Inconsistent food prep and service
- Lack of Leadership in Kitchen
- Poor Cleaning
- Poor Customer Service
- Poor Teamwork or Team Dynamics across all staff

Daily Routine

- Clock in
- Dress
- Check Cooler(s)
- Gather Mise (use prep list from night before)
- Prioritize day and plan of attack based on any new issues
- Check and sharpen your knives
- Identify Pars
- Identify Freshness & Quality of all Meats, Ingredients, Herbs, Sauces that have been and will be prepped
- Maintain adequate pars on sauces, beans, & other highly perishable items Taste these!
- Pull Proteins check dates and freshness
- Prep your station
- All do dishes as you go
- Check in with teammates to ensure timeliness and completion of prep.
- During service, make sure food is simultaneous, high quality, and timely work on communication and speed.
- Individual prep lists must be filled out every evening. Overall kitchen prep list to be filled out together this is a collective process and the group is responsible for the daily completion of tasks.
- Clean and close according to lists, individual additional responsibilities, and general standard
- Make plan for following day

Basic Expectations for Daily Routine

- 1. Be neat and clean in appearance and action. Your person and station should be tidy at all times. Your body, clothes, breath, hair, etc., should be clean. Move with purpose.
- 2. Keep your station neat for duration of the shift.
- 3. Prep, cook, plate, and clean with care and with speed. Have prepared back-ups; know where your next back-up is.
- 4. Do not leave the line during service.
- 5. No smoking or cell phone use for the duration of the shift, from clock in to clock out.

- 6. Identify deficiencies in our organization, systems, and preparation for service and consistently communicate our standard to your team.
- 7. Over-communicate with chef about questions, process, technique, schedule, projects.

Compensation:

\$15-18 per hour or Salary depending on experience 5 days per week is full time; Sunday & Monday off We close the restaurant for vacations: 1 week July 4th; 1 week Christmas; Thanksgiving, Easter, Mom's Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day

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