Megan Kowalski

// Greenhouse Worker

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> SUMMARY

Greenhouse worker with 18 months at a wholesale bedding plant grower in Kalamazoo County. Comfortable with seeding, transplanting, hand watering, pest scouting and order pulling for spring shipping. Careful with plant quality and greenhouse sanitation, and ready for early starts and Saturday shifts in peak season.

> SKILLS

• Seeding • Transplanting • Watering • Pest Scouting • Order Pulling • Greenhouse Sanitation • Potting • Plant Care • Attention to Detail

> EXPERIENCE

Greenhouse Worker 05/2025 - Present

Portage Lake Greenhouses Kalamazoo, MI

Wholesale grower with 6 acres under glass producing annuals and hanging baskets.

- Complete transplanting of plugs into flats and hanging baskets on the potting line, averaging **1,100** flats per shift.
- Handle watering by hand and boom during spring, adjusting by crop and weather across 22 houses.
- Monitor crops weekly for aphids, thrips and powdery mildew and record findings for the grower, cutting chemical sprays by 20%.
- Process and tag orders for 40 garden center customers, loading carts and trucks so 95% shipped on the promised day.

Garden Center Associate 04/2024 - 04/2025

Oakwood Garden Market Portage, MI

Part-time at a neighborhood garden center while in college.

- Watered and groomed about 300 hanging baskets and perennials each morning before opening.
- Answered plant care questions for about 80 customers each weekend and rang up sales at the register.
- Unloaded incoming deliveries onto sales tables and pulled damaged plants so displays stayed full through the spring rush.
- Mixed potting soil and filled about 400 containers a week for the perennial department.

> EDUCATION

Certificate 05/2025

Kalamazoo Valley Community College Kalamazoo, MI

Horticulture

> CERTIFICATES

EPA Worker Protection Standard Training 04/2025

Michigan State University Extension