

2019 Seasonal Farm Educator (spring and/or summer programs)

NOTE: *Candidates may apply to work during spring, summer, or spring and summer programs (spring and summer program schedules do not overlap).*

Wright-Locke Farm is now hiring Farm Educators for its spring and summer programs for children in preschool (ages 4 – 5) and in grades K – 6. Farm Educators are paid \$14 per hour. All farm staff are required to undergo a CORI check prior to the start of their work period (the farm will do this upon hiring). Must 18 years of age or older to apply.

A Farm Educator's responsibilities include:

- Preparation to facilitate programs
 - Reading education materials provided by the farm prior to the start of the program(s), including general education information and that specific to the program season(s) for which you are hired
 - Attending required paid training at the farm (8 hours for returning staff and 16 hours for new staff; this training is typically scheduled the week prior to each program season's start)
 - Assisting with curriculum development as needed
- Facilitation of youth programs and youth gardens
 - Setting up before and cleaning up after each program session
 - Teaching lessons and leading activities (includes modifying lessons and activities as necessary)
 - Completing critical youth garden maintenance (watering, weeding, etc) before and/or after programs when time allows
- Communication with fellow Farm Educators and student volunteers
 - Delegating appropriate tasks and duties to student volunteers before, during, and after program sessions
 - Maintaining positive relationships with fellow Farm Educators and student volunteers
- Communication with the Youth Programs Manager (YPM) and Director of Education Director (DE)
 - Providing the YPM and/or DE feedback about successful and unsuccessful lessons and activities when appropriate
 - Notifying the YPM and/or DE of any known issues experienced during one or more sessions (with children, parents, coworkers, or volunteers)
 - Updating the YPM and/or DE about student volunteer performance
 - Attending biweekly, or otherwise scheduled, staff check-in meetings

Candidates for the Farm Educator position should:

- have a strong interest and/or background in teaching children about agriculture, nature, healthy eating, or related subjects (experience preferred but not required)
- enjoy working with children ages 4 - 12
- have a positive attitude, be a strong leader, and be able to adapt to changing environments and circumstances

- be comfortable working outdoors- rain or shine!
- be comfortable working with/handling farm animals (no experience required)
- be able to lift 50 lbs
- have reliable housing and transportation

We seek to hire Farm Educators for the following 2019 Programs:

Spring Programs

- Spring After School Programs (12 hours per week for six weeks)
 - Mondays – Thursdays, April 29 – June 10th (no session Monday 5/28) from 3:00 – 5:30pm
 - Programs are for children in grades K – 6
 - Optional additional hours for occasional large group farm visits hosted mornings, May – June

Summer Programs: for children in preschool – grade 6 (primarily grades K – 2)

- Morning Programs (22 – 24 hours per week for 8 weeks)
 - Mondays – Fridays, June 17 – August 16th from 8:30am – 12:30pm each day (AM programs are 9am – 12pm)
- Afternoon Programs (22 – 24 hours per week for 8 weeks)
 - Mondays – Fridays, June 17 – August 16th from 12:30 – 4:30pm each day (PM programs are 1 – 4pm)

If you are interested in working as a spring, summer or spring *and* summer Farm Educator, please send a resume and cover letter to the Director of Education, Erika Gorgenyi, at FarmEd@wlfarm.org as soon as possible.

Thank you!