

Job Posting 2021 Part-Time Farm Educator (spring programs)

Wright-Locke Farm Conservancy, Inc. in Winchester, MA is seeking Farm Educators to assist with our spring Youth Programs (starting early March). Farm Educators will lead lessons and activities for small groups of children, ages 3 - 12 depending on the program. All activities take place at Wright-Locke Farm. Educators should enjoy working with kids and spending time outdoors. Applicants are preferred to have experience in outdoor/nature-based education. If you do not meet the job requirements listed, please tell us why you might be a good fit anyways! All educators must pass a CORI/SORI background check.

Educators will work at least 8 hours per week, with the potential to work up to 20 hours per week.

COVID-19 Note: To keep everyone safe, staff and program participants are required to wear masks at all times on the farm and to maintain 6 ft. distance from others whenever possible. All participants and staff must complete a COVID-19 health screening before each program. Programs are planned to be entirely outdoors in small groups (no more than 5 participants in a small group with 1 educator) to minimize risk. Educators are responsible for cleaning and sanitizing any common surfaces or items after each program.

Farm Educator responsibilities include:

- Facilitation of high-quality educational experiences on the farm and in the adjacent woods
 - Teaching lessons and leading activities focused on farm- and nature-based education (includes modifying lessons and activities as necessary)
 - Setting up before and cleaning up after each program session, including disinfecting any common surfaces or items
 - Ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for all participants
- Preparation to facilitate programs
 - Reading education materials provided by the farm prior to the start of the program(s), including general education information and program-specific materials
 - Attending <u>required</u> paid training at the farm; this training is typically

- scheduled the week prior to each program season's start
- Assisting Farm Education Staff with curriculum development and lesson planning
- Communication with the Youth Programs Manager (YPM) and Director of Education (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)
 - Attending 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 3 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)
- current CPR/First Aid Certification (preferred)

Employee Perks:

- \$15/hour
- Free organic produce "seconds"
- Farmstand discount

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

Thank you!

Wright-Locke Farm Conservancy is dedicated to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment to all. We do not discriminate based on race, religion, color, age, national origin, military service, physical appearance, gender identity or gender expression, sex or sexual orientation, or physical or mental ability.