

Trusted Roots Farm is seeking a farm apprentice for **May 26 - August 22**. We are a diversified farm growing mixed vegetables, herbs and flowers for a 30 member CSA and two farmer's markets. We also raise 100 laying hens rotationally grazed on pasture and a small herd of Nubian goats. We are looking for a highly motivated and hard-working individual who works well one on one, independently and interacting with many customers. The position will primarily involve doing field work but also include animal care and greenhouse tending. The apprentice will also assist with set up, staffing and take down for farmers markets and CSA distributions. Previous agricultural experience is helpful but not necessary.

The farm was established in 2013 in the town of New Lebanon, NY. It includes 11 acres with a pond and is surrounded by 500 acres of fields and forest. Our mission is to farm as stewards of the land, working with natural cycles to create a symphony of healthy soil, animals, community, and great food. We are not certified organic but farm in a similar fashion without the use of herbicides or pesticides in order to protect the health of our members, farmers, neighbors, waterways and wildlife. We have great respect for all that our animals provide for us and in return provide them with the most natural, healthy life possible where they are free to express their natural behaviors.

The areas in which apprentices will gain experience include: weeding, transplanting, bed preparation, harvesting, greenhouse seeding, greenhouse care, rotational grazing, daily care of chickens and goats, milking, selling at farmers markets and CSA distribution. The success of our business relies on accomplishing our work in an efficient manner, using excellent communication and working in rain, heat and cold.

Work Schedule: Tuesday-Friday 6:30-5:30 with a 1 hour 15 minute lunch break. Saturday 6:30-3:00. One Sunday a month, the apprentice will be responsible for greenhouse and animal chores.

Compensation: \$650 monthly stipend, vegetables, eggs and other farm products. We are unable to provide housing.

Applications accepted until the position is filled. To apply send an email explaining your interest in the apprenticeship, 3 references and a resume to trustedrootsfarm@gmail.com.

For more information about the farm, check out our website www.trustedrootsfarm.com