

Farm to Home Crew Application

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at the Farm at Penny Lane.

Completed applications are due by Monday, April 15, 2019.

* Required

Volunteer Contact Information

1.

First name *

2.

Last name *

3.

Primary phone number *

4.

Email address *

5.

What is the best way to contact you? *

Mark only one oval.

Phone

Email

Text message

Any of the above

Crew Qualifications

6. **Do you currently participate or have you previously participated in Farm programs or volunteer work days? ***

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

7. **Please check all that apply. ***

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1. I have my own transportation or am able to catch the Farm Shuttle from Carr Mill Mall.

2. I am able to be on my feet for 3 hours and to bend and squat repeatedly during a 1-2 hour period

3. I am able and willing to work outdoors in all weather (cold, heat, rain, shine).

4. I am available to work EITHER every Tuesday OR every Friday from 8:50am-2pm, April 29 – June 28 (9 weeks).

5. I am able to commit to working one morning a week (Tuesday or Friday) for the full 9 weeks. Up to two necessary absences are permissible with advance notice. If I have to be absent more than that, I understand that the Farm will need to try to fill my slot with a candidate who can participate more consistently.

8. **While no experience is necessary to apply, we would love to hear about any experience you've had that you think may be relevant to your participation in this program. ***

9. **Please let us know about any medical concerns we should be aware of such as allergies, activity restrictions (e.g. no heavy lifting) or other concerns. ***

Volunteer Objectives

10.

Which day are you interested in volunteering? *

Mark only one oval.

- Tuesday
- Friday
- No preference

11.

In a few sentences, please let us know why you are interested in participating on the Farm to Home Harvest Crew. *

12.

Are there any particular skills you would like to develop while serving on this crew? *

Expectations

What you can expect from us:

- Patient training in the methods of harvest and post-harvest handling of fresh produce
- Skills and confidence in participating in a produce distribution system
- The experience of working with a supportive team to accomplish a complex task on a time budget
- Sharpening of your skills in following instructions and step-by-step processes
- The knowledge that you are contributing to the well-being of others
- Experience to add to your resume
- The opportunity to receive job references from farm staff (let us know in your interview if you are interested in this)
- A produce bag to take home for each full shift worked
- A full hour for a nutritious lunch and instruction in basic cooking skills

What we will expect from you:

- To arrive on time and stay for the duration of the shift each week of your session
- To participate fully in all the activities of harvesting, washing, bunching, bagging, weighing, recording, and packing bags, as well as set-up and clean-up
- To comply with the Farm's hygiene practices for the purpose of food safety
- To be respectful of the confidentiality of the produce bag recipients
- To put your best effort into learning how the Farm wants the harvesting and packing to be done, and to approach the work as an act of service to those who will be receiving the food

- To offer your feedback about the program to Farm staff in an honest and constructive manner
- To provide as much advance notice as possible if you will have to miss a shift, arrive late, or leave early

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**If you agree to all of these statements,
please enter your full name below.**

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