

## **Summer Camp Instructor**

Seasonal Position, June through August

Massaro Community Farm is in search of several Summer Camp Instructors (SCIs) for our 2021 Summer Camp Program. Instructors will help develop curriculum and lead lessons and activities for our summer camp children ages 4-11. Our summer camp takes place from July 12<sup>th</sup> until August 13<sup>th</sup>, with additional prep time required from our SCIs in the 2 weeks ahead of camp.

Massaro Community Farm, Inc. is a nonprofit certified organic farm in Woodbridge, CT. Its mission is to Keep Farming, Feed People and Build Community. The farm fulfills its mission by offering the sale of produce to seasonal subscribers, to restaurants and at farmer's markets. The farm offers farm-based education for youth and adults and holds community building events each year. The farm maintains a commitment to donate at least 10% of its weekly harvest to hunger relief agencies and supervises 13 Valley Grow Your Own Community Gardens in surrounding towns.

Massaro Community Farm has adapted new health protocols and procedures covering farm production and education in light of the covid-19 pandemic. This includes mask requirements, restricting access to farm buildings, temperature checks using a no-touch thermometer, and social distancing.

Massaro Community Farm has been hosting educational programs for all ages since 2012, including a half day summer camp program. This will be our first year transitioning to a full day summer camp program. This summer, we will have four to five separate camp groups at the farm organized by age – smaller groups of 4-7 year olds and slightly larger groups of 8-11 year olds. SCIs will supervise and direct their own individual camp cohort, and facilitate various activities, games, and crafts in an entirely outdoor setting. In addition, SCIs will assist in developing camp curriculum alongside the Education Director.

The ideal Summer Camp Instructor will:

- Have direct experience working with children in an educational program, preferably in an outdoor setting
- Have experience developing or planning activities, games, or educational curriculum for children
- Be comfortable working in a variety of weather conditions
- Be willing to lead and coordinate outdoor activities and crafts based on outlines and materials provided
- Work with children either ages 4-7 or 8-11 from a variety of socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds
- Be willing to lift up to 50 lbs for set up and breakdown of materials and supplies for lessons as well as for our outdoor gardens.
- Pass a background check
- First Aid and CPR training is a plus, but can be provided by Massaro Community Farm if not already held.

SCIs will have a Monday through Friday schedule from 7:30 AM-4:30 PM schedule from July 12<sup>th</sup> until August 13<sup>th</sup>, with two weeks of additional prep time (20-30 hrs total) in advance of summer camp at a rate of \$16 per hour. Interested candidates should send their resume and cover letter directly to [education@massarofarm.org](mailto:education@massarofarm.org). 2-3 references preferred, examples of past lessons or activities with children welcomed!

