**Jeffrey P. Smith**

**Farm Scholarship**

Are you curious about farming and the natural world around you? Would you like to have a chance to learn how to grow all sorts of wonderful foods for you and your family?

How about the opportunity to help take care of animals? If any of this appeals to you, we encourage you to apply for one of our free farm camp scholarships by filling out the attached application form!

Tiny seeds can produce baskets of delicious red tomatoes, tasty carrots, and colorful fresh lettuce

for yummy salads. Animals give us fresh milk from which we can make flavorful cheese or

butter; they also give us eggs, meat, and even wool to make clothing!

At farm camp you will be encouraged to plant, observe, nurture, problem solve, and celebrate the importance of where your food comes from. It’s an exciting learning adventure!

Jeff Smith was a man who also loved farms and the natural landscape around him. He felt it was

everyone’s job to keep the soil protected and cared for, so that it would always be there for you,

your children, and your children’s children to enjoy and have foods that keep families happy and

healthy! Jeff Smith would love the thought of you spending time on a real farm --- learning about how you can work and care for the beautiful land here in your own community.

To get started, tell us a little about yourself and why you are interested in this program!

**\*\*Please note: This is not a school sponsored program.\*\***

**Applications are due March 31, 2025!**

**For more information please contact the Cheshire County Conservation District:**

**(603)-904-3011 or** [**info@cheshireconservation.org**](mailto:info@cheshireconservation.org)**. If you are emailing please include “JPS Scholarship” in the subject line!**

**Please know that all information is kept strictly confidential**



Jeffrey P. Smith Farm Scholarship

Scholarship Application Form

c/o Cheshire County Conservation District - 11 Industrial Park Dr - Walpole, NH 03608

Tel: (603) 904-3011 or Email: [info@cheshirecconservation.org](mailto:info@cheshirecconservation.org)

[www.cheshireconservation.org/jps-scholarship](http://www.cheshireconservation.org/jps-scholarship)

**I. Instructions**

Applicants should be age 5-20 and Cheshire County residents. Please fill out one form per applicant and submit to the above address by **March 31st. *Incomplete or late applications will not be reviewed.***

**II. General Information**

**Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Male \_\_\_**

**Female \_\_\_**

**Other/Non-Binary/Non-Conforming \_\_\_**

**Prefer Not to Respond \_\_\_**

**Birth date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**School \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**III. Contact Information** (Please include area code with phone numbers)

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**Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Please Check the program you are applying for** (Please see farm program information on pages 7-8. Please be aware of available dates and times for each program, visit the website or contact the email and phone numbers provided for more information.):

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Kroka \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Dairy**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Orchard School \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Beef**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Stonewall Farm \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Goat**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ NOFA NH Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Will you grant the Jeffrey P. Smith Farm Scholarship administrators permission to use any group or individual photo images taken of scholarship recipients and their families for publicity or promotional purposes?**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ Yes**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ No**

**Has the applicant received a Jeffrey P. Smith Farm Scholarship in the past?**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ Yes**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ No**

**Is your family eligible for free or reduced lunch?**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ Yes**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ No**

**I certify that all information provided on this application is true, correct, and complete.**

**Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Print Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Print Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**IV. Reason for Applying**

This section should be completed by the applicant on their own (parental assistance if needed). We are interested in learning more about you and your interests with farming or gardening. Feel free to attach additional info, if necessary, but please do not exceed two pages. The age and interest of the child will be considered when reviewing the application.

**1.) Why are you interested in farming and/or gardening?**

**2.) What do you want to learn at your farm program? (ex. gardening, bees, cooking, or**

**farm animals, etc.)**

**3.) How do you see applying knowledge learned through this experience in your life?**

**4.) How did you learn about this program?**

**2025 Farm Program Listings**

All programs are covered in full by the scholarship unless otherwise noted. If the farm camp you are interested in isn’t listed here, please contact us at (603) 904-3011 or [info@cheshireconservation.org](mailto:info@cheshireconservation.org)

**Kroka Expeditions**

[www.kroka.org](http://www.kroka.org)

**Phone:** 603-835-9087

**Email:** [summer@kroka.org](mailto:summer@kroka.org)

**Address:** 767 Forest Rd. Marlow, NH 03456

**Program Type:** Summer Camps

\*\*\*Sliding scale fee of $700-$1950 for a one-week program.

This scholarship will cover $300 of cost. Recipients would be responsible for the remainder.

Folks are welcome to apply for additional financial aid through Kroka. \*\*\*

**Northeast Organic Farming Association of New Hampshire- NOFA NH**

[www.nofanh.org](http://www.nofanh.org)

**Phone:** 603-224-5022

**Email:** [info@nofanh.org](mailto:info@nofanh.org)

**Address:** 84 Silk Farm Road, Concord NH 03301

**Program Type:** This is membership and free admission to the winter conference and other NOFA events throughout the year; this is appropriate for high school students.

**Day Camps @ Orchard Hill**

[www.thecenteratorchardhill.org](http://www.theorchardschool.org)

**Phone:** 603-835-2495 or 603-499-3422 (cell phone)

**Email:** [Eleanor@theorchardschool.org](mailto:Eleanor@theorchardschool.org) or [Andrea@theorchardschool.org](mailto:Andrea@theorchardschool.org)

**Address:** 114 Old Settlers Road, East Alstead, NH 03602

**Program Type:** Our programs for children, youth, and teens are rooted in connection to each other and nature through experience, story, song and art. We cultivate an inclusive environment of joyful belonging and compassion where everyone learns and discovers friendship. Summer day camps are offered for youth ages 5-12, as well as summer teen workshop series and teen counselor training. Our year-round teen programs aim to amplify youth voices and skills in artistic expression, environment and climate health, justice and equity.

**Stonewall Farm**

[www.stonewallfarm.org](http://www.stonewallfarm.org)

**Phone:** 603-352-5577

**Email:** [programs@stonewallfarm.org](mailto:programs@stonewallfarm.org)

**Address:** 242 Chesterfield Rd, Keene NH 0343

**Program Type:** Summer Camps

**UMass 4-H Dairy Cattle Academy**

Program takes place in May, Program is 2 days (Dates TBD)

[www.mass4h.org](http://www.mass4h.org)

**Phone:** 413-545-5302

**Email:** [ccsears@umext.umass.edu](mailto:ccsears@umext.umass.edu)

**Address:** 100 Venture Way, Suite 334, Hadley, MA 01035-9462

**Program Type:** Summer Camps

**UMass 4-H Beef Cattle Academy**

Program takes place in May, Program is 1 day (Dates TBD)

[www.mass4h.org](http://www.mass4h.org)

**Phone:** 413-545-5302

**Email:** [ccsears@umext.umass.edu](mailto:ccsears@umext.umass.edu)

**Address:** 100 Venture Way, Suite 334, Hadley, MA 01035-9462

**Program Type:** Summer Camps

**UMass 4-H Goat Academy**

Program takes place in May, Program is 1 day (Date TBD)

[www.mass4h.org](http://www.mass4h.org)

**Phone:** 413-545-5302

**Email:** [ccsears@umext.umass.edu](mailto:ccsears@umext.umass.edu)

**Address:** 100 Venture Way, Suite 334, Hadley, MA 01035-9462

**Program Type:** Summer Camps

**UMass Exploring Veterinary Science Academy**

Program takes place in June, Program is 2 days (Dates TBD)

[www.mass4h.org](http://www.mass4h.org)

**Phone:** 413-545-5302

**Email:** [ccsears@umext.umass.edu](mailto:ccsears@umext.umass.edu)

**Address:** 100 Venture Way, Suite 334, Hadley, MA 01035-9462

**Program Type:** Summer Camps