



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, 2024!

For more information please contact the Cheshire County Conservation District: (603)-756-2988 ext. 4 or 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) 756-2988 ext.4 or Email: info@cheshireconservation.org
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)

Day Phone _____ **Evening Phone** _____

Cell Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/ Zip _____

Email _____

Parent(s)/ Guardian(s) _____

Day Phone _____ **Evening Phone** _____

Cell Phone _____

Address _____

City/ State/ Zip _____

Email _____

Parent(s)/ Guardian(s) _____

Day Phone _____ **Evening Phone** _____

Cell Phone _____

Address _____

City/ State/ Zip _____

Email _____

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?

2024 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)756-2988 ext.4 or info@cheshireconservation.org

Kroka Expeditions

www.kroka.org

Phone: 603-835-9087

Email: 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

Phone: 603-224-5022

Email: info@nofanh.org

Address: 84 Silk Farm Road, Concord NH 03301

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

Daycamps @ Orchard Hill

www.theorchardschool.org

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

Email: Eleanor@theorchardschool.org or Andrea@theorchardschool.org

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

Program Type: Summer Camps for youth ages 5-12, as well as, teen workshop series, teen counselor training, and teen programs focused on earth, climate, justice, and equity.

Stonewall Farm

www.stonewallfarm.org

Phone: 603-352-5577

Email: 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

Phone: 413-545-5302

Email: 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

Phone: 413-545-5302

Email: 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

Phone: 413-545-5302

Email: 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

Phone: 413-545-5302

Email: ccsears@umext.umass.edu

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

Program Type: Summer Camps