



Food Sovereignty & Education Summer Internship:

If you have a passion for food sovereignty and hands-on Farm-to-School education, explore Green Mountain Farm-to-School in Vermont for an internship this summer!

Green Mountain Farm-to-School (GMFTS) has an internship position open this summer to join the Farm-to-School (FTS) team of 4 AmeriCorps members and staff, leading hands-on educational programs, working in school gardens, and supporting food sovereignty programs in the community. This is an excellent opportunity to develop your professional skills, while supporting the local food movement, education, and food access!

For St. Lawrence Students - This internship is eligible to be funded through the St. Lawrence University Internship Fellowship program.

GMFTS offers housing in Newport, VT and mileage reimbursement business-related travel at \$0.61/ mile.

Offering a flexible start date in Mid May to Early June until August 6th, 2024 for a total of 300 hours (more hours are available if needed for academic requirements).

About Green Mountain Farm-to-School:

Green Mountain Farm-to-School is a non-profit organization located in Newport, VT that promotes the health and well-being of Vermont's children, farms and communities by providing programs that connect schools and farms through food and education. During the school year GMFTS supports 17 schools in the Northeast Kingdom (NEK) region of Vermont with school gardens, educational programming and fresh local farm foods that benefit over 5,000 students. For more information about GMFTS, please visit: gmfts.org

The primary programming in the summer for the FTS team is "The Lunchbox " a mobile summer "free lunch" food service program that brings locally-grown food and food-based education to communities in the Northeast Kingdom. At the mobile sites GMFTS runs the "Market Basket", our charitable food system project that distributes the extra school garden produce and local farm donations to the community.

In addition, the FTS team cares for over 15 school gardens and collaborates with community volunteers.

Intern Responsibilities:

The intern will:

- Lead and/or support educational experiences for youth twice each week outside “The Lunchbox” during meal services including leading taste tests, facilitating crafts, creating visuals and promotional materials twice a week.
- Assist with documenting the summer meal program through photos and creating media blurbs.
- Work with the “Market Basket” to donate extra school garden harvest into the local community by helping distribute produce to families.
- Take responsibility for the weekly maintenance, harvest and volunteer coordination of 2-3 school gardens.
- Create a Professional Development Goal with a project or educational program to research and develop over the course of the internship.
- Support GMFTS general operational and administrative tasks, as needed.
- Create a presentation of the internship experience and goals achieved to present to the GMFTS staff at the end of the internship.

To Apply:

Please send a cover letter, resume and 3 references to: jobs@gmfts.org by April 1st, 2024.