

**Position Title:** Seasonal Field Manager

**Reports to:** Program Director

**Location:** Emmaus, PA



**About The Seed Farm:**

The Seed Farm is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that is dedicated to cultivating the next generation of farmers. Working closely with partners such as Lehigh County and Penn State Extension, our organization trains new farmers and assists them in establishing sustainable farm businesses.

Since our first training season in 2010, Seed Farm training program graduates have gone on to start or manage twelve local farms, and three farm businesses have been launched through our agricultural incubator. We are now seeking a seasonal Field Manager to assist in the growing of vegetables and herbs in our 2.5-acre market garden, and to assist in the management of 20 acres of surrounding fields.

**Job summary:**

The Field Manager will report to the Program Director. Responsibilities include:

- Following the plans and direction of the Program Director in the management of 2.5-acre diversified vegetable farm and 20 acres of surrounding fields.
- Tractor field work
- Weed management and tillage
- Harvest and packing for weekly market, CSA and wholesale accounts; delivery to CSA drop-off and wholesale accounts as needed
- Occasionally attend farmers' market on Sundays with Program Director or apprentices
- Oversee apprentices as needed while they are in the field
- Occasionally assist Program Director with on-farm demonstrations and lessons
- Assist with on-farm workshops and field days as needed
- Occasionally mentor incubator farmers and apprentices

As The Seed Farm is an educational and working farm, the Field Manager can expect to engage frequently with program participants, volunteers, and farm visitors of all ages.

**Requirements:** Two or more years of production experience required. Tractor experience required, as well as experience with greenhouse and high tunnel management, including plant propagation and season extension. Must be able to work independently, be very self-motivated and have a solid work ethic, with a sense of urgency toward farm work. Must be able to work in any weather and lift over 50 lbs. Apprentice supervision/team leadership a plus. Applicants must have a valid driver's license and clean driving record.

This is a seasonal (9-month) position, with a seasonally variable work schedule. The Field Manager can expect to work approximately 30 hrs/wk in the spring, increasing to 40+ hrs/wk in the peak of the growing season. Daily schedule is somewhat flexible, but Saturday availability is a must.

Please visit [www.theseedfarm.org](http://www.theseedfarm.org) to learn more about our organization and our programs.

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume and three professional references to: Lindsey Parks, Executive Director.

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