Kittatinny Mountain Farm: Apprenticeship

General Description of Farm: Kittatinny Mountain Farm grows Certified Organic produce, herbs and flowers for CSA and 2 weekend farmers markets. The farm is owned and operated by David Zelov and Danielle Szepi and is entering it's 10th year of production. We cultivate 2 acres of vegetables and are located on leased land at Fair Acres Farm, a nursery and garden center in Wantage, NJ.

Starts: April
Ends: November
Number of Apprentices: 2
Application Deadline: Accepted on rolling basis until filled
Minimum length of stay: 6 months

Details: We are looking for 2 hard working people to work 30 hours a week. Schedule will be Tuesday through Saturday. They will help with a variety of tasks including greenhouse work, harvesting, washing/packing, planting, weeding, and staffing the farmers market.

Skills desired: Experience is helpful and we will give preference to those approaching farming as a possible career path.

Requirements:

- Be enthusiastic and interested in learning our methods of farming.
- Be able to accept and implement feedback given by managers
- Be able to take direction and work independently as well as with a team.
- Be a hard worker.
- Be able to work **quickly** and efficiently.
- Be able to work out in "the elements," rain or shine, hot or cold
- Be able to stand/crouch/bend for extended periods while working
- Be able to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Be on time and ready to work.

Educational Opportunities: We recognize the hard work that apprentices do and part of the compensation that we offer is passing along the knowledge we have gained in our combined 20+ years of farming. Along with the day to day information on growing and harvesting, we will talk about the business aspects of running a small farm. Additionally, apprentices are encouraged to visit other farms during the season and we will let you know of farm tours as we hear of them.

Compensation: $10/hour + Workers Comp

Housing: Not provided.

Preferred method of contact: Email kittatinnymountainfarm@gmail.com

How to apply: Go to www.kittatinnymountainfarm.com for an application. Fill out and email along with a resume.