



Farm to School Internship

FoodChain is a small nonprofit in downtown Lexington dedicated to connecting people with their food through education and demonstration of a local, sustainable food economy. We are building an urban community space for people to engage with all aspects of a food economy: growing, processing, and distribution. We currently operate an indoor commercial aquaponics farm and a teaching and processing kitchen while providing correlated educational programming. Part of this education includes the Farm to School program.

The purpose of Farm to School in Fayette County is to provide 1) more local food to public school cafeterias and 2) education for students surrounding the environmental, economic, and human health benefits of purchasing and consuming local food. This position is focused on researching and implementing techniques to increase participation in this program as well as expanding curriculum targeted towards high school students.

This internship will provide someone with substantial experience in curriculum development and public school systems and procedures. Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Develop methods to further engage high school students around local food
- Brainstorm and implement techniques to encourage more chef and farmer participation in the program
- Establish a method for obtaining meaningful metrics, pictures, and stories from students
- Assist in strategically increasing access to local food for students through taste tests and in cafeterias

The intern should be able to demonstrate excellent computer skills, outstanding attention to detail, strong organizational abilities, strong writing and verbal communication skills, and the ability to juggle multiple tasks. There is preference to those with a strong interest in public school education and the national local food movement.

This is an unpaid internship. The dates and duration are flexible as well as the hours. We can accommodate anywhere between 15-20 hours per week, mostly weekdays with some opportunities to work from home.

If interested please email your resume and cover letter to Reena Martin at Reena@foodchainlex.org.