

Burns Best Farm

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General Information:

Burns Best Farm is a sustainable farm located in the beautiful area of Northwest Georgia (near Chattanooga, TN). We are in our 4th year of growing a variety of vegetables and plants. We also specialize in blueberries (300 plants) as well as blackberries. We also have a small pastured egg operation. Our products are sold at a farmers market in Atlanta as well as on farm and to local retail locations. We plan to begin a small CSA this year. We have a small starter greenhouse and have up to 15 acres available for production. In addition, to Chattanooga there are also local parks and opportunities for outdoor activities.

Start Date: Mid March or Later

End Date: Open but at least mid to late August

Application Deadline: February 28th

Minimum Stay: 3-4 months

Number of Interns: 2

Contact by phone or email listed above

Work/Experience Desired:

Should have a strong work ethic and be able to handle physical labor. Willing to learn as well as communicate your ideas clearly. Intern should be able to take direction and be a quick learner. A sense of humor and desire to have fun is required. Farming and horticulture degree preferred but not required - sales, marketing and organization also a plus.

Education Opportunity:

Burns Best is a member of Georgia Organics and will be involved in the 2008 Farm Mentoring Program. This will be an excellent opportunity to be involved in the learning process associated with this program. In addition, we will visit other farms and discover various methods of production. Interns will also understand the sales and marketing side of growing and selling fresh produce locally.

Details about the Opportunity: Intern will be involved in all aspects of sustainable farming from cover crops, seed starting, planting, harvesting and post-harvest. In addition, sales help is needed at various farmers markets on weekends. 40-50 hours per week with a day off during the week.

Stipend: \$75/ week per intern

Housing: 2 bedroom house, kitchen, bath, on pond with screened porch

Meals: Lunch provided and some dinner meals. In addition, staples and pantry will be stocked as needed with breakfast food etc. Also, fresh produce, eggs also available.