



OLD RIDGE ROAD

— FARM —

Farmhand (Part-time)

Old Ridge Road Farm
Plainfield, IL 60544

Job Type: Part-time / Seasonal

Salary: \$12.00 to \$15.00 per hour

Hours: 15-25 hours per week

Job Summary

Old Ridge Road Farm is looking to hire a part-time, seasonal farmhand to assist with a variety of farm operations throughout the growing season. The ideal candidate will be interested in agriculture, horticulture, or farming operations and gaining first hand experience on a small farm. Farmhands will work closely with the owners of the farm and be supervised by the Farm Manager. Farmhands will have the opportunity to learn about operating farm equipment, greenhouse management, field cultivation, irrigation systems, harvesting, distribution, farmer's market operations and sales. General responsibilities include, but not limited to, greenhouse propagation, seeding, planting, harvesting, processing, and packaging produce. This position is expected to work outside during all weather conditions and will include both weekday and weekend hours.

Responsibilities and Essential Functions

- Assist in greenhouse propagation, seeding, transplanting, harvesting, planting, and weeding crops
- Assist in washing, weighing, processing and packaging produce
- Assist with greenhouse operations and general farm maintenance
- Maintain, operate, organize, and clean farm equipment
- Assist at weekend farmers markets with packaging produce, direct sales to customers, set up and clean up operations
- Assist with operations for our Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program
- Operate farm equipment, heavy machinery, and power tools
- Operate general office equipment such as a computer, telephone, scale, and calculator
- Perform other duties as assigned by farm management or owners

Qualifications

- Previous experience in farming, gardening, landscaping, or a similar field is preferred (background or interest in horticulture or agriculture, basic crop planting, farm equipment operations and maintenance)
- Must be willing to get hands dirty (literally)
- Ability to physically work and execute tasks in a rigorous, fast paced environment
- Willingness and ability to work varied hours outdoors in all weather conditions, including weekends
- Ability to adapt to changes, delays, or unexpected events in the work environment
- Ability to work independently without supervision and as part of a team
- Ability to communicate effectively, interact positively with customers and co-workers, and provide customer service
- Positive attitude, attention to detail and ability to learn quickly is critical
- Follow all safety rules and regulations while performing work assignments and adhere to all policies and procedures
- Knowledge of basic computer skills and email is required
- High school education or equivalent is required
- Valid driver's license, reliable transportation, and work authorization in the United States is required

Physical Requirements

- Ability to walk, stand, push, pull, reach, bend, stoop, kneel, squat, and execute repetitive motion for extended periods of time
- Ability to lift, carry, push, or pull 50 pounds or more as needed
- Ability to handle working in extreme outdoor weather conditions

About Our Farm

Old Ridge Road Farm is a small, family operated farm located in Plainfield, IL. We are committed to providing locally grown, fresh produce food that is both good for our customers and for the environment. We strive to use sustainable farming practices and grow our vegetables without the use of chemical pesticides.

To Apply

To apply, please submit your resume, available start date, and available work schedule during the growing season via email to oldridgeroadfarm@gmail.com or by mail to:

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