

Internship Position: Agriculture Education

Classification: Non-exempt (Hourly)

Location: On-site at the Fairgrounds at 5600 McKinley Parkway, Hamburg, NY 14075

Dates of Employment: May 2025 through the end of August 2025 (will be flexible for a return to college)

Hours: Full-time (40 hours a week); Must be able to work evenings and weekends for special events, including the twelve days of the Erie County Fair, August 6-17, 2025.

Reports to: Agriculture Education Coordinator

The Role: The Erie County Agricultural Society (ECAS) is seeking an Agriculture Education Intern to support the annual Erie County Fair and the Farm 2 Table Field Trip program.

The Organization: The Erie County Agricultural Society is a private, not-for-profit membership organization.

Mission Statement: The basic purpose of the Erie County Agricultural Society, producers of the Erie County Fair, is to preserve and enhance, through educational endeavors, the agricultural and historical legacy of New York State.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Farm 2 Table and Little Sprouts Field Trip Programs
 - Assist in over-seeing the Farm 2 Table field trips
 - Work with students in kindergarten through 5th grade as they learn Ag topics
 - Prepare materials/supplies for field trips
 - Opportunity to teach a Farm 2 Table station(s)
 - Lead children ages 3-5 years old through the Little Hands on the Farm exhibit
 - Create your own Ag Ed presentation for Elementary Classroom use
- 12-day Erie County Fair (August 6-17th 2025)
 - Prepare materials for Fair Camp
 - Assist with Fair staff scheduling
 - Learn what goes into organizing staff and animals for the Ag Ed portion of the Fair
 - Implementing and executing many other educational displays
 - Sell plush cows for Ag Ed at Dairy with Barry
 - Discover what goes into animal husbandry in the Agriculture Discovery Center
 - Learn about equine and assist with setting up the Horse Headquarters building
 - Organize and assist with the Urban Garden Walk display
 - Assist with setting and ordering supplies for Little Hands on the Farm
 - Other duties as assigned

Housing/Transportation

- On-site housing may be available
- Must provide your own transportation

Education and Experience

- Enrolled in a college or university for Agriculture Education or a similar major with a special interest in Agriculture Education

Physical Demands

- Shift often requires working outdoors
- Ability to push/lift 50 lbs.

Hourly Rate: \$17/hour

To Apply: Email your resume and 3 references to Ellen Pritschau at ellenp@ecfair.org by February 1, 2025. If you are selected for an interview, you will be notified in February with a candidate chosen by early March.