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2019-20 Northeast Farm to School Institute

A unique year-long professional learning opportunity for twelve school teams from New England & New York

Summer Retreat

June 25-27, 2019

Shelburne Farms, VT

Details @ vtfeed.org/neftsi

Benefits of Participation

FARM TO SCHOOL ACTION PLANNING

During the retreat, participants develop a comprehensive school-wide Farm to School action plan that includes curriculum, local procurement, utilizing outdoor learning spaces, and cultivating family and community connections.

COACHING SUPPORT

School teams are paired with an experienced coach from their state's Farm to School Network. You'll have communication and meetings with this coach throughout the school year to assist you in implementing and adapting your action plan to meet the changing needs of your school.

NETWORKING WITH PEERS

Individuals and teams have time to share innovations, join in dialogue, and share food and fun with other schools from across the Northeast states.

TEACHER & NUTRITION STAFF

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

All team members receive certification of participation for the retreat. School nutrition staff receive continuing education/training hours for their time. Teachers may opt to receive graduate continuing education credits through Castleton University by participating in a fall curriculum retreat.



Application & Commitment

Identify a team (4-6 members for schools, 5-7 for districts) comprised of:

- School nutrition directors or managers
- Classroom teachers
- Administrators or curriculum coordinators
- School nurses
- Parents, school board, or community members
- One district-level administrator (for district teams only*)

*For district teams, identify 1 or 2 schools in your district in which you will focus efforts on implementing a Farm to School action plan that can serve as an example for other schools within the district.

If accepted, submit a \$900 program fee by April 30 to secure the team's spot. Program fee includes the cost of room and meals at the Summer Retreat. Limited scholarships are available.

Attend the 3-day residential Summer Retreat at Shelburne Farms for team planning time and connecting with peers and Farm to School experts June 25-27, 2019.

Participate in planning meetings with your coach during the school year.

Apply @ bit.ly/NEFTSI2019

Applications due March 7; notification of acceptance by March 31.

Questions? Contact Kelly Foster at kfoster@shelburnefarms.org.

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