

# 2018 -19 NORTHEAST FARM TO SCHOOL INSTITUTE

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

## KICKOFF TEAM ACTION PLANNING RETREAT

June 26-28, 2018 at Shelburne Farms, VT



## BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION

### Farm to School Action Planning

During the retreat, participants will 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 will be paired with an experienced coach from their state's FTS 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 the school.

### Networking with Peers

Individuals and teams will 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.

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

- School nutrition directors or managers
- Classroom teachers
- School 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 FTS action plan that can serve as an example for other schools within the district.

If accepted, Submit a program fee of \$900

by April 30th 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 FTS peers and experts June 26-28, 2018.

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

Visit [www.vtfeed.org/neftsi](http://www.vtfeed.org/neftsi) for more information.

APPLY ONLINE at [www.bit.ly/applyNEFTSI](http://www.bit.ly/applyNEFTSI)

Apply by Wednesday, March 7, 2018.

Please direct questions to Program Associate Amy Rougier at [arougier@shelburnefarms.org](mailto:arougier@shelburnefarms.org).

You'll be notified of acceptance by the end of March.