

### Corvallis Farm to School Internship

**CEC Background:** Since 1994 the Corvallis Environmental Center (CEC) has been actively working to educate, engage and inspire people to create a healthier, more sustainable community. The CEC's three core programs are leading the way in achieving these efforts: Avery House Nature Center, Energize Corvallis and the Edible Corvallis Initiative. These programs focus on strengthening people's relationships to nature, food and community – on a local, regional and national level. The CEC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit.

**Position Description:** The Corvallis Farm to School program makes connections between our food system and our school system. Our program increases the use of local foods in our schools, encourages children to make healthy eating choices and supports regional farmers. As an intern, you will gain hands-on experience in food, nutrition, and agricultural education, get to work with community volunteers, and assist with promoting local foods for our school district. We provide a wide range of programs, and work with interns to design their experience around their interests.

#### Job Responsibilities:

The Farm to School intern will work under the supervision of the Farm to School Manager and will be responsible for the following:

- Participate in CEC Internship Orientation
- Participate in at least one CEC event (Family Mushroom Hunt, SAGE Harvest Festival, Wild & Scenic Film Festival, Earth Ball, etc.).
- Assist with [Classroom Food Adventures](#) in local elementary schools.
- Assist with [Farm Field Trips](#) at [SAGE Garden](#).
- Assist with [Tasting Tables](#) at the Corvallis School District.
- Design, and implement age-appropriate activities, and lessons, related to the promotion of local food
- Learn about the national Farm to School movement while working at the local level to connect local farms with our school district
- Help bring more local food, gardens, and food/agricultural education to our students
- Participate in community activities surrounding food, health, and children
- Pursue your own project to contribute to the Corvallis Farm to School movement
- OPTIONAL: Earn academic credits– available to LBCC & OSU students. See our website and check in with your advisor to see if this internship qualifies for your academic program

#### Qualifications:

- Interest in local, sustainable, and seasonal food
- Interest in food, cooking, agricultural, and garden education
- Experience working with children
- Ability to communicate effectively with a diversity of people
- Punctual and reliable
- A self-starter: ability to take initiative
- A positive attitude!

For more information, contact the Farm to School Manager at: [cassidy@corvallisenvironmentalcenter.org](mailto:cassidy@corvallisenvironmentalcenter.org)