



Stony Kill Foundation

Stony Kill Foundation Environmental Education/Farm Interns Summer 2026

About Stony Kill Foundation

Stony Kill Foundation oversees the daily operations and community programming at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) owned Stony Kill Farm Environmental Education Center in Dutchess County, NY. Our mission is to educate the public and cultivate environmental stewardship through interpretation of the rich historical, environmental and agricultural heritage of Stony Kill Farm. Over 19,000 people visit the 1000-acre farm each year, participating in our signature environmental education programs, growing fruits and veggies in the community garden, hiking the trails, and enjoying the outdoors. The beautiful Stony Kill Farm is a place where people from all walks of life can slow down, admire the scenery, and connect with the environment.

Position Description

We are hiring five Summer Environmental Education & Farm Interns (paid) to join our energetic education team at the farm. Summer Interns contribute to the planning, preparation, and delivery of our Summer Explorers Day Camp. These 2 – 3 month positions will begin in May/June 2026 and are well suited for those who enjoy the outdoors and have a talent for teaching and inspiring curiosity in others!

Responsibilities Include:

- Lead environmental and agricultural activities and lessons for the 8-week Summer Explorers Day Camp program.
- Assist with Summer Explorers Day Camp planning and preparation, which will include research, compiling materials, and other duties as assigned.
- Attend training sessions for camp as assigned by Program Director
- Teach and/or shadow education modules for spring field trips.
- Assist with farm tasks including feeding animals, mucking barn, restocking feed, organizing barn areas, general cleanup, moving hay bales and equipment, etc.
- Perform other educational responsibilities as assigned.

Desired Qualifications

- Background in teaching, child-based work, environmental sciences, or related.
- Enthusiasm to learn, explore, and teach!
- CPR/First Aid certifications are helpful, but not required.
- Experience with lesson plans and/or curriculum development is helpful, but not required.

Additional Details

- Pay rate: \$16.50/hour for up to 37.5 hours/week
- Must have own transportation.
- Housing not provided.

Application Instructions

Please email your cover letter, resume (with relevant experience and coursework), contact information (email, phone, and best time to call), and 3 references to Debbie Muesser at debbie@stonykill.org or send by mail to Stony Kill Foundation, 79 Farmstead Ln, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590.

Stony Kill Foundation is committed to equal opportunity employment, celebrating inclusion and diverse talent. The Environmental Education Intern Program is supported by the Environmental Protection Fund administered by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.