# LIVESTOCK CARETAKER/FARM HAND

The Pumpkin Farm is looking for a self-motivated individual to take on the role of Livestock Caretaker on our diversified livestock farm. This position is year-round with more hours available during peak season. Standard weekly hours are 15-20 hours per week year-round with the possibility of 30+hours during the peak of our season, which is Late May through early October.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Must Love Animals
- Capable of lifting 50+ pounds
- Comfortable handling all types of livestock
- Ability to work in all weather conditions
- Previous Livestock experience a plus but not required
- Machine operating experience a plus but not required
- Afternoons are required
- Occasional weekend availability is required
- Driver's License and reliable transportation

Responsibilities include daily animal care. We have cows, pigs, goats, sheep & laying hens year-round and broiler chickens & turkeys in season.

### A typical daily work shift for animal care would include:

 Moving, feeding, & watering our pastured Chickens & Turkeys (Seasonal)

- Collecting eggs, feeding & watering our laying hens, ducks
  & geese
- Feeding our cows
- Tending to our sheep & goats which includes feeding and bedding down for the night
- Feeding, watering & bedding our pigs
- Caring for our bottle calves which includes cleaning their stalls, watering, replacing their hay, making their milk to feed them & snuggles.
- Feeding the barn cats

## As needed weekly/bi-weekly tasks include:

- Feeding out hay
- Filling water troughs & tanks
- Cleaning barns
- Maintaining fences both electric & field
- Filling bulk feeders for pigs & chickens
- Helping with routine veterinary care
- Small building maintenance
- Help with seasonal Hay crop

#### **Compensation:**

- Salary starts at \$15 per hour and is commensurate with experience.
- Earned sick time
- Paid vacation time after 6 months of employment
- · Weekly farm stand stipend

# Interested candidates should call Nicole @ (508)404-5701