



Application



(Each individual must fill out an application including those wishing to attend together)

Name: First _____ Last _____ Prefer to be called: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ County: _____

Email: _____ Phone (Home): _____ (Cell): _____

How many are applying: 1 2

Please list the person you are applying with, First: _____ Last: _____

Current employment status: *(check the box that applies to you)*

retired work full time work part time not employed for pay

What 2016 NC Farm school are you applying to: *(circle one)* Southern Piedmont Eastern Piedmont

Please circle your highest education level: *(circle appropriate education level below)*

High school College: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

1. Are you involved with any organization(s) that is or will teach farmers business and production skills?

YES NO If yes, please list here:

2. Do you own or have access to land that you can use for agricultural production, if so how many acres?

YES NO If yes, number of acres:

3. Would this land be leased/rented or is this land in your ownership? *(circle one)*

LEASED/RENTED OWNED

4. Have you taken soil samples or applied for a farm number?

5. What are the top three crops or livestock are you interested in growing? *(Example: Vegetables- tomatoes, cucumbers, and peppers or sheep, chickens, and small Fruit)*

6. What crops or livestock are you or have you raised in the past: *(circle one and list)*

I am currently producing..... I have produced:

[Type here]

7. List at least three goals you have for your farm:

(Example: I would like to preserve my land as a farm for the next generation, earn enough income to pay the expenses of ownership of my farm/land, and I would like to have a profitable enterprise that could pay one house hold salary in the next three to five years)

8. List any formal training you have had in agricultural business or agricultural production.

9. List any special skills that might be used to help you operate a farm and sell your product: *(Examples: computers, graphic design, teaching, etc.)*

10. List previous work experience that might assist you in farm business ownership:

11. What equipment or resources do you currently have that might be of use to you in a farming enterprise?
(Example: Trucks, Tractors, Greenhouses, Irrigation System, Wells, Fencing, Shelters, Barns, Equipment Shop)

12. Have you received or participated in programs/services from the Cooperative Extension before?

(circle one) YES NO

If yes, please list them below:

13. Would a mentoring relationship with an experienced farmer be helpful to achieving your goals? *(circle one)*

YES NO

14. How did you hear about NC Farm School? _____

READ CAREFULLY. I wish to become a participant in the NC Farm School program. If accepted,

- I agree to complete the NC Farm School by attending at least 6 of the 8 classes.
- I am serious about my desire to add a new enterprise to my farm or start a new farming business to be financially sustainable.
- I understand the value of NC Farm School is helping me develop a business plan and connect to a network of professionals that will help me succeed.
- I will work to complete as much of my business plan as possible with the help of guiding professionals.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____