



# JOIN OUR TEAM!

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Are you interested in promoting children's health and increasing their knowledge of agriculture, food, nutrition and the environment? If so, the Nutrition Educator position for the AmeriCorps Farm to School Program (F2S) may be right for you!

## POSITION

Nutrition Educator

## DEPARTMENT

AmeriCorps members at the Stevens Point Area YMCA serve their communities through the WI DATCP-AmeriCorps Farm to School (F2S) program. You will be working under the direction and supervision of the YMCA Health & Wellness Director.

## NUMBER OF OPENINGS

1

## HIRING STATUS

Currently accepting applications; deadline is 7/12/19.

## POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), and Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) partner with federal AmeriCorps to implement a successful AmeriCorps Farm to School program, which works to decrease childhood obesity by promoting healthy eating habits in students and increasing access to local foods in schools. Working directly with the AmeriCorps F2S Community Outreach Coordinator, you are tasked with delivering lessons to students on healthy eating, local foods, and the science of growing and sustaining foods. You will follow the guidelines from a set of established curriculum, but will have the freedom to develop your own lessons and coordinate events. You will plan and participate in food tastings at schools, and work with students and food service personnel to get kids to try new foods.

## PRIMARY QUALIFICATIONS

**Skills:** Must possess basic knowledge of healthy eating, natural foods and the science of growing and sustaining foods. Must have experience in group instruction, preferably elementary age children.  
**Competencies:** Most important, you must have a sincere belief in the importance of and the desire to actively promote and educate children on healthy eating and the positive impact of choosing local foods. You must be comfortable interacting with and leading groups of elementary school age children. Other critical competencies include creativity, spontaneous flexibility in curriculum presentation, strong motivational and persuasive skills and the ability to work independently. You must exhibit the Y core values of respect, responsibility, honesty, and caring.  
**Education:** High School Diploma/GED required; Bachelor's degree preferred.

Minimum Age: 18



## SCHEDULE

Expected Hours Per Week: 20. Position Duration: August 15, 2019 – end of August 14, 2020.

## COMPENSATION

AmeriCorps members will receive \$284.61 bi-weekly, an education award of \$3,047.50 upon successful completion of the service term, student loan deferment while serving, limited reimbursement for travel expenses, and membership to the Stevens Point Area YMCA. Free on-site child care available.

## ABOUT THE Y

At the Y we work hard but have fun doing it. Words that our employees have used to describe the Y work environment: sense of belonging, camaraderie, family-friendly, supportive, welcoming, team atmosphere, fast-paced, meaningful, energetic. The Y is about youth development, healthy living and social responsibility with emphasis on the core values of respect, responsibility, honesty and caring. The Y offers more than just a job; it offers a cause to embrace. We are conveniently located in central Stevens Point within blocks of the University.

## HOW TO APPLY

**Required:** A fully completed Stevens Point Area YMCA Employment Application is required, along with a resume and letter of interest, including a statement explaining why you think farm-to-school is important for Wisconsin schools.

Application is available on-line at <https://www.spyymca.org/employment/>

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