



# Piedmont Farm School 2014

*Training farmers  
to operate  
successful  
small-scale,  
sustainable farms.*

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### 2014 Piedmont Farm School Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

What area of farming are you most interested in? \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: One Person: \$200 Two People: \$250 \*Class size is limited, register early.

Registration deadline is December 31. \$25 Registration Late Fee After This Date

Make checks payable to: Forsyth Cooperative Extension. **Sorry, no refunds for cancellations.**

*Mail registration form & fee to: Cooperative Extension Service, 1450 Fairchild Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27105*

# Piedmont Farm School 2014 Schedule

## February

Feb. 11 - Orientation to Farm School /  
Overview of Agriculture in NC

Feb. 27 - Field Trip to Davie County

## March

March 11 - Farm Planning

March 20 - Sheep, Goat Dairy & Rotational  
Grazing Field Trip to Stokes &  
Forsyth Counties

## April

April 8 - Financial Record Keeping

April 24 - Pasture Pork & Poultry Field Trip to  
Randolph & Chatham Counties

## May

May 13 - Business Planning

May 22 - Orchard & Small Fruits Field Trip to  
Rockingham County

## June

June 10 - Effective Marketing Strategies

June 26 - Vegetables Field Trip to Surry  
County

## July

**BREAK—NO CLASS**

## August

August 28 - Production Mini-Conference in  
Forsyth County

## September

September 9 - Ag Plan Review

September 25 - Specialty Crops Field Trip to  
Davidson & Rowan Counties

## October

October 14 - Risk Management

October 30 - Agritourism Field Trip to  
Rowan County

## What is the Piedmont Farm School?

The Piedmont Farm School is a 7-month educational program that trains beginning and transitioning farmers with a strong commitment to operate successful small-scale, sustainable farms.

The school offers seven business-planning seminars, which will give farmers the tools to create a viable business plan for a small scale, economically sustainable farm enterprise. The school also includes seven field trips to working farms led by innovative experienced farmers and agricultural professionals. A new addition to the class for 2014 is a one day mini-conference that will cover production topics.

The scope of what participants learn will include:

- Low-cost Sustainable Farming Methods
- Business Planning & Development
- Financial Management
- Effective Marketing Strategies

\*Farm School is geared for the Adult learner. Minimum age for classes and field trips is 12 years of age.

*For more information visit our website at:  
[forsyth.ces.ncsu.edu](http://forsyth.ces.ncsu.edu) or call our office at  
336-703-2850.*

Business Planning Seminars are 6-9pm the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the  
Forsyth County Extension Office, 1450 Fairchild Road, Winston-Salem NC 27105.