

NORTHERN PIEDMONT

Beginning Farmer 2017

Cost of series is \$100 individual, \$150 for couples

To register, send check made payable to:

Fauquier Education Farm

c/o VCE-Fauquier
24 Pelham Street
Warrenton, VA 20186

**All classes to be held at
Va. Cooperative Extension, Fauquier Office
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Are you thinking of starting a production farm or of diversifying an existing farm? If you answered yes then join us this spring to work with local educators, producers, and industry leaders to explore those questions and evaluate your farming future.

The Northern Piedmont Beginning Farmer Program (NPBFP) is a multi-class initiative to help aspiring and diversifying farmers make informed decisions about a new operation. NPBFP uses curriculum compiled by VA Tech and Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE).

The program's focus is on:

- Introduction to Whole Farm Planning
- Marketing
- Introduction to Farm Business Management

NPBFP is a partner of the Virginia Beginning Farmer & Rancher Coalition (VBFRCP). For more information on the VBFRCP, please visit www.vabeginningfarmer.org. Funded through the Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP) of the USDA-National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). Award number: 2015-70017-22887.



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Important Dates:

Feb. 1st - Free Orientation to outline program

Classes -Wednesday evenings

Feb. 8th—March 8th

Class Time: 7-9 p.m.

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Sharon Broyles, Fauquier Extension Office at 540-341-7950 or TDD*) during business hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event.

*TDD number is (800) 828-1120.

The Virginia Beginning Farmer & Rancher Coalition formed to as a way to more effectively address start-up needs of Virginia's beginning farmers and rancher communities by offering high quality outreach, education, training and resource support. The Coalition acts as an umbrella network of organizations to assist in the development and enhancement of whole farming planning programs, and online resource learning.