

EDUCATION-ONLY OPPORTUNITIES



A working farm offers a wide variety of valuable, hands-on learning opportunities for every age. We feel that our traditional volunteer experience offers a lot these opportunities, but acknowledge that some groups may be interested in a more tailored or structured educational visit to our Powhatan farm. Because of our small staff size and reliance on volunteer help, our ability to host strictly educational experiences and field trips is limited. **We try our best to accommodate at least one education-only group a day, Mon-Thurs, from April-June and September-November. However, because we are a working farm, scheduling is heavily dependent on available volunteer labor, work load, and the whims of Mother Nature.** Thanks in advance for your understanding and flexibility!

Given the nature of our work, we feel particularly well suited to guide lessons and activities related to environmental science and social justice. Past topics have included: sustainable agriculture, pollination, soil horizons, decomposition, basic plant biology, ethics, and food justice. Teachers can reach out to our Volunteer and Education Coordinator about creating a farm experience that links up with specific Virginia SOLs.

In order to devote the time and resources necessary to make educational opportunities engaging and robust, we ask for a suggested donation of \$5 per participant.

For more information on educational opportunities, or to schedule your visit to the farm, please contact Hannah Wittwer at volunteer@shalomfarms.org