



2024 CSA MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

Thank you for your interest in our Community Supported Agriculture Program. Below you will find all the details for the 2024 season. After reading through the information, please do contact us if you have any questions. If you wish to sign up for our CSA, please follow the instructions at the bottom of this agreement.

Shared Risk

Members will have the opportunity to share in the abundance of the harvest. With that opportunity comes the risks associated with a growing season. We hope to provide you with your share of produce, and 20% more, at each weekly pick-up. However, sometimes there are events in nature that may prohibit this, and in the event of one of these unpredictable occurrences (ie. drastic weather, bug infestation, etc.), the size of your share may be affected.

Shares

The options for shareholders to choose from are listed below.

2024 Share Options	Spring	Summer	Fall
	3 week add-on	16 weeks	4 weeks
Small	\$60	\$344	TBD
Regular	–	\$504	TBD

Our summer share runs for 16 weeks. There are two size options for the summer share. A small share provides approximately \$26 worth of produce each week, while a regular share provides about \$38.

Below is a sample of what you might expect at the height of the growing season, knowing that the season will have peaks and valleys in the amount of vegetables ready for harvest.

Item	Retail Price	Small share portions/worth	Regular share portions/worth
Arugula, Spinach, or Mesclun Mix	\$1.25/oz	4oz/ \$5.00	5oz/ \$6.25
Bunch of hearty greens ie. kale, chard	\$3.50/bunch	1/ \$3.50	1/ \$3.50
Mini-Lettuce heads	\$2.00/head	1/ \$2.00	2/ \$4.00
Fruits (ie. Summer squash, cucumbers, zucchini)	\$2.00-\$3.00/lb	1/ \$3.00	2/ \$6.00
Tomatoes	\$4.50/lb	1/ \$4.50	1 1/2/ \$6.75
Speciality crops (ie. peppers, green beans, broccoli)	\$5.00-\$5.50/lb	1/2/ \$2.50	3/4/ \$3.75
Roots (ie. beets, carrots, potatoes)	\$3.00-\$4.00/lb	1/\$3.00	1 1/2/ \$4.50
Onions, garlic scapes, etc.	varies	\$3.00	\$4.50
Pick Your Own Herbs	\$3.00/bunch	Free	Free
TOTAL VALUE		\$26.50	\$39.25
CSA COST		\$21.50	\$31.50

Add-On Options

In addition to normal weekly shares, you have the opportunity to purchase add-ons. The spring share is an add-on for summer CSA members this season. In addition, we will be offering Roasted coffee from West Burke, Jasper Hill cheese from Greensboro, and eggs from our own farm as well as Darling Hill Farm.

Add-On Options and Costs	
Spring Farm Share	\$60
Roasted Coffee	\$201.50 summer only; \$239 spring & summer
Jasper Hill Farm Cheese	\$199 summer only \$236 spring & summer
Firefly Farm and Darling Hill Farm Eggs	\$80 summer only \$95 spring & summer

The first add-on option is an early spring share which will run for 3 weeks beginning mid to late May, and will likely include a variety of early spring greens, radishes, and early onions. Other harvest made

products may supplement the shares. An early spring share will receive approximately \$24 worth of produce each week for the 3 weeks.

The second option is a twelve ounce bag of coffee each week from Roasted Coffee right here in Burke. Coffee recipients will receive weekly coffee at 10% off the retail price. Recipients will also be able to designate the darkness of the roast they wish to have.

The third option is a variety of artisan cheese from the Cellars at Jasper Hill Farm in neighboring Greensboro, Vermont. Shareholders who choose to purchase this add-on will receive approximately a half pound of cheese each week over the course of the summer for up to 40% off the retail price.

The final option is a dozen eggs each week. These eggs will come from our farm as well as Darling Hill Farm. The chickens are all fed organic feed and are either free ranging or rotated to new pasture every few days. Eggs are available to CSA members as an add-on for \$5 a dozen instead of the retail price of \$5.50 a dozen.

If you choose to purchase one of these add-ons, it will be waiting for you at Firefly Farm with your weekly vegetable share.

Other Benefits

All CSA members will also receive a weekly newsletter with the news of what is happening on the farm, recipes you might like to try, information on processing and storing our vegetables, and news about any events we might be hosting. In addition, all CSA members are welcome to pick their own herbs at any time during the season.

We currently have a community composting system. If you are interested in composting with us, please check the box on the CSA sign up form and we will send you the information you need to begin. This service is mutually beneficial and free to you.

Here at Firefly Farm, we value the Earth and its resources. In order to minimize waste in packaging, we will provide reusable baskets for your shares, utilize reusable containers whenever appropriate, and use minimal and/or compostable materials for all else. We will also be packaging greens in reusable containers. It is important that each week that you pick up, you also return the basket and washed out container from the week before! We need these items to prepare the following week's shares. For any plastic bags that we do need to utilize, we ask that you reuse them as much as possible. To cover the cost of any lost or unreturned baskets or reusable containers, we are asking each CSA member to pay a \$20 refundable deposit at the time of sign up. This \$20 will be returned to you at the end of the season when all of your reusable containers are returned. We appreciate your cooperation in this endeavor.

Care Share

We strongly believe that everyone should have access to fresh, local food free of harmful chemicals regardless of income! The Care Share program is one of the ways that we are able to offer our produce to

local families who might not otherwise have access. Thus, we are asking once again, if you are able and willing, please consider donating to our care share fund for the 2024 season. FFBH will donate the cost of half a share and we are accepting donations toward the other half and any shares beyond that. Thank you in advance for considering donating to this worthy and needed cause!

Additional Products Available for Purchase

At the time of pick up, additional produce will be available for purchase in our farmstand. A variety of products made from the harvest, as well as eggs, maple syrup, and products from other local farmers and producers will be available, some at different times throughout the season, and others while supplies last.

Pick Up

We are offering three pick-up options for the summer season. Summer shareholders can designate Tuesday or Thursday at the farm, or Tuesday at Cobleigh Library, as their pick up day for the entirety of the summer share. This chosen day remains constant for each shareholder throughout the summer. We are unable to be flexible about switching during the season. Pick up time is changing slightly this coming season and will be from 4pm to 7pm at the farm, and 4:30pm to 6:30pm at the library. You are always welcome to have someone pick up for you if need be.

Pick up days for spring and fall shares will all be on Tuesdays at the farm, and between the hours of 4pm and 7pm.

Vacations

We apologize, but we are not able to accommodate for vacations! Should you be away for a week or more during the CSA season, you have a few options. You are welcome to have someone pick up for you if you will be returning soon enough to enjoy it. You are also welcome to donate your share to a friend that week. In addition, Salvation Farms, the Holland Food Shelf, and H.O.P.E. are all partners with us and happily will accept donated shares each week. If you choose to donate to a friend, please let us know ahead of time who will be picking up for you. If you choose to donate to a local non-profit, we can make the donation for you.

Member Fees

By purchasing shares in advance of the growing season, members assist in the up-front costs to the farmer. We appreciate your commitment immensely, and hope that you find your share and partnership with us beyond satisfying. Below are the paying options for the 2024 growing season.

- Payment in full when you sign up.
- Or, half of your total share amount when you sign up, and the remainder by May 1st if you have a spring add on, and June 1st if you do not. .
- If this payment schedule is difficult for you, please reach out for special arrangements.

We price our products to be as affordable as possible. This makes us unable to absorb the transaction fees charged by credit card processors. However, we understand the need for many to be able to use a credit/debit card, and therefore we do accept Visa and Mastercard. To cover the transaction fees, we have a 2.9% service charge for credit card transactions. If you are paying by credit card, we also require that you pay the total amount at one time. We hope you understand.

Communicating with Us

The best way to communicate with us is via email or text. You can contact us by email at fireflyfarmburkehollow@gmail.com or text us at 802-535-2876. We will do our best to respond as soon as possible. We will send regular communication to you through email. Our weekly CSA newsletters come to you via Mailchimp, and therefore sometimes need to be sought out in the promotions folder, depending on your email provider.

[To sign up for a spot in our CSA, click here.](#)

Thank you and we look forward to partnering with you this season! - The Crew at FFBH