



Meadow Brook Hall Landscape Sustainability Project

Meadow Brook Hall is aware of the impact we have on the environment and are exploring ways to minimize it. Inside MBH we are making changes that will lessen our impact on the environment and would like to take the next step by moving this mind set outdoors. Having a student intern dedicated to the MBH Landscape Sustainability Project would help to insure that this project is carried out to its fullest extent. While providing hands on experience at our own American Castle, the student would work three days per week (24 hours) or more as needed. They would be focusing on the following projects:

- **Development and maintenance of the MBH Kitchen Garden**
 - As part of Meadow Brook Hall's "sustainability project" the kitchen garden will be planted in May 2010
 - The student will be responsible for research and implementation of organic gardening practices.
 - Maintain the garden with the help of MBH volunteers to weed, water, fertilize, identify and treat pest problems and harvest.
 - Coordinate with our Executive Chef to harvest for use in the preparation of meals for MBH events.
 - Document the growing season and make recommendations for the following year.
- **Assist the MBH garden club with the composting project.**
 - Collect and separate organic material into the proper compost piles
 - Monitor each pile for needs and improvements
 - Turn the compost pile, record temperature and prepare it for use in the 14 gardens at MBH
- **Work with the MBH garden club and MBH staff in identifying "Green" practices throughout our grounds operation.**
 - Conduct trials in organic fertilization, weed and pest control
 - Research and identify green practices or methods that can be used in the landscape maintenance at MBH

Internship Details

- **This is a summer internship from May 10th through August 20th**
- **Currently this is an unpaid internship; if funds are available payment will be provided at the end of the internship.**
- **Students must pass a criminal background check, have a valid driver's license and driving record acceptable to Oakland University standards and be able to lift 50lbs.**
- **Students wishing to apply must send a resume, academic transcripts and one (1) letter of recommendation by April 16, 2010.**

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