

Sell gourmet popcorn products.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Test ideas for new food products.
- » Create posters that show foods from raw to finished product.
- » Work for an agricultural marketing services company.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Food Production
Supervisor

Flavor Technologist

Product Development
Food Scientist



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Raise fish and sell to local restaurants.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Start a fish pond and teach others how to fish.
- » Raise fish for the state fish and game department.
- » Grow organic fruits and/or vegetables for a local café.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Aquaculture Hatchery
Manager

Supply Chain Manager

Pricing Coordinator



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Use unsellable zucchini in baked goods as a side to vegetable production.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Raise and sell fruits and/or vegetables.
- » Create posters that show foods from raw to finished product.
- » Work on a vegetable or fruit farm.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Food Production
Supervisor

Flavor Technologist

Produce Inspector



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Process and sell specialty products—bison, wildflowers, ostrich, etc.



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Where could I take this project?

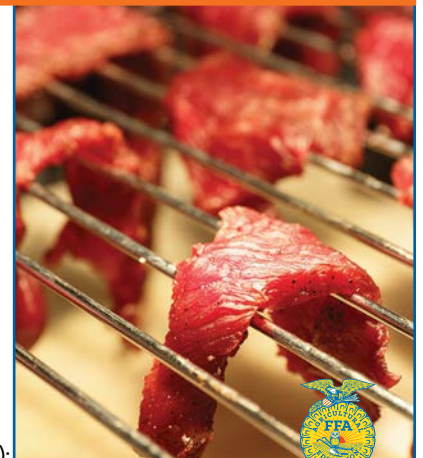
- » Operate a trapping business.
- » Shadow a USDA meat inspector.
- » Grow organic fruits and/or vegetables for a local café.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Meat Inspector

Sales Representative: Food,
Feed, Seed, Fuel

Marketing Specialist



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Process wild game for jerky.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
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Where could I take this project?

- » Shadow a USDA meat inspector.
- » Operate a trapping business.
- » Serve as a hunting guide.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Slaughter Processor -
General Operator

Meat Inspector

Slaughter Processor -
Trimmer/Cutter



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Sell picked vegetables.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Interview three companies that process or package food products.
- » Grow vegetables to give to a local food pantry.
- » Make jams and jellies for sale at a farmers' market.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Produce Inspector

Formulation Chemist

Product Development
Food Scientist



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Collect wild mushrooms and sell to local vendors.



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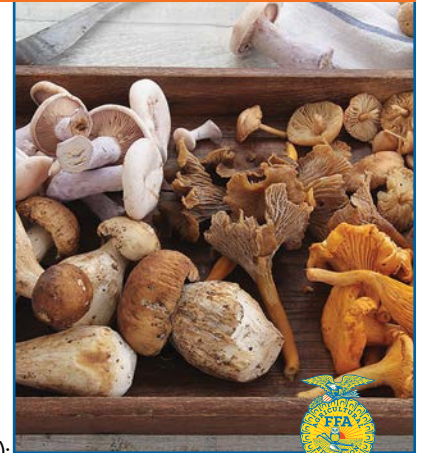
- » Help at a local fruit/vegetable stand.
- » Present a food safety demonstration to elementary students.
- » Discover the native plants for your ecological area and determine how prevalent they are currently.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Conservationist

Supply Chain Manager

Produce Inspector



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Make jams and jellies for sale at a farmers' market.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Work at a local bakery.
- » Study the impact of various styles of labels on people's perception of the food.
- » Sell picked vegetables.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Produce Inspector

Formulation Chemist

Product Development
Food Scientist



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Start a service to grow gardens for the elderly.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Work to establish a community vegetable garden.
- » Create an ad promotion for local food products on your chapter website.
- » Take small animals to nursing homes for visits.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Agriculture Science
Teacher

Extension Agent

Agronomist



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work at a meat production plant.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Shadow a USDA meat inspector.
- » Work at a livestock farm or a ranch.
- » Prepare a food safety information kit covering safe handling of meat, eggs and other fresh-food products.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Meat Inspector

Evisceration Processor

Slaughter Processor -
General Operator



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work for and/or operate a wild bird processing service.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Construct and sell game feeders.
- » Build bat, bird, duck or squirrel houses for use or sale.
- » Work at a meat production plant.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Meat Inspector

Evisceration Processor

Slaughter Processor -
General Operator



OWNERSHIP/ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work at a produce facility that repackages and sells produce.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Interview three companies that process or package food products.
- » Work for an agricultural marketing services company.
- » Create hands-on classroom activities.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Packaging Engineer

Food Safety Specialist

Production Manager



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work at a vegetable or fruit canning factory.



Is this right for me?

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- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Interview three companies that process or package food products.
- » Make jams and jellies for sale at a farmers' market.
- » Test ideas for new food products.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Packaging Engineer | Food Safety Specialist | Production Manager



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work for an agricultural seed-cleaning and bagging company.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Work at a seed corn dealership.
- » Process and deliver seedlings to elementary students.
- » Interview three companies that process or package food products.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Seed Production Technician | Storage and Hygiene Coordinator | Packaging Engineer



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work on a vegetable or fruit farm.



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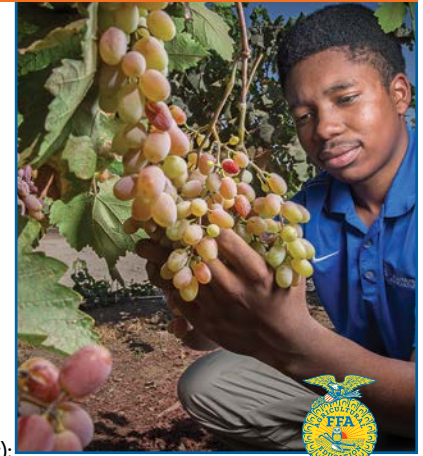
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Where could I take this project?

- » Grow vegetables to give to a local food pantry.
- » Create an ad promotion for local food products on your chapter website.
- » Use the school lab to manage small vegetable crop variety plots.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Agronomist | Greenhouse Manager | Crop Scout



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Help at a local fruit/vegetable stand.



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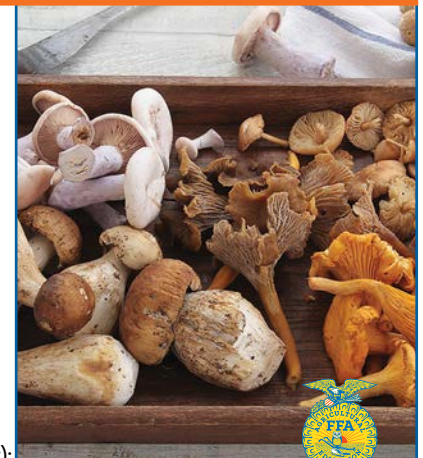
- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Start a franchise of an existing fruit/vegetable stand.
- » Create an ad promotion for local food products on your chapter website.
- » Present a food safety demonstration to elementary students.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Sales Representative: Food, Feed, Seed, Fuel | Public Relations Specialist | Food Stylist



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Assist on an herb farm.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Work on a vegetable or fruit farm.
- » Create an ad promotion for local food products on your chapter website.
- » Shadow officials at a government natural resources agency.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Agronomist

Greenhouse Manager

Crop Scout



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Assist with produce selection at a grocery store.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Work as a service provider in a grocery store.
- » Create posters that show foods from raw to finished product.
- » Use unsellable zucchini in baked goods as a side to vegetable production.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Produce Inspector

Produce Buyer

Quality and Assurance Auditor



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Deliver vegetables and/or fruits to customers for a local grower.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Start a franchise of an existing fruit/vegetable stand.
- » Process and deliver seedlings to elementary students.
- » Grow organic fruits and/or vegetables for a local café.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Truck Driver

Logistics and Supply Chain Manager

Produce Inspector



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work at a local bakery.



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Where could I take this project?

- » Create posters that show foods from raw to finished product.
- » Make jams and jellies for sale at a farmers' market.
- » Test ideas for new food products.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Food Production Supervisor

Fermentation Scientist

Production Manager



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work in the deli or bakery at a grocery store.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Work as a service provider in a grocery store.
- » Research incidents of food-borne illnesses in the community.
- » Create posters that show foods from raw to finished product.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Food Production
Supervisor

Fermentation Scientist

Freezer/Refrigeration
Specialist



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Test ideas for new food products.



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- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Work for an agricultural marketing services company.
- » Research why new food fails to sell.
- » Help at a local fruit/vegetable stand.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Research and
Development Technician

Product Development
Food Scientist

Flavor Technologist



RESEARCH

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Research the environmental effects on milk.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
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Where could I take this project?

- » Research incidents of food-borne illnesses in the community.
- » Prepare a food safety information kit covering safe handling of meat, eggs and other fresh-food products.
- » Work on a dairy farm or heifer-raising farm.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Food Safety/Quality
Assurance Manager

Food Safety Specialist

Quality Assurance
Manager



RESEARCH

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

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Where could I take this project?

- » Prepare a food safety information kit covering safe handling of meat, eggs and other fresh-food products.
- » Present a food safety demonstration to elementary students.
- » Interview three companies that process or package food products.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Food Safety Specialist

Food Safety/Quality
Assurance Manager

Quality Assurance
Manager



EXPLORATORY

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Study the impact of various styles of labels on people's perception of the food.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
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Where could I take this project?

- » Create an ad promotion for local food products on your chapter website.
- » Work for an agricultural marketing services company.
- » Help at a local fruit/vegetable stand.



Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Marketing Specialist | Graphic Designer | Social Media Strategist

RESEARCH

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Research the development and use of edible soybeans.

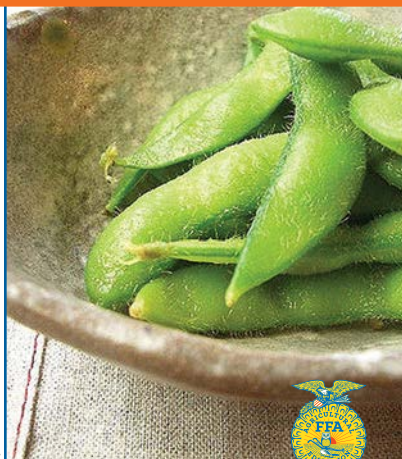


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Where could I take this project?

- » Test ideas for new food products.
- » Plan plant-related activities and laboratories for your class.
- » Develop a test plot for various types of crops.



Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Product Development Food Scientist | Plant Biologist | Product Development Food Scientist

RESEARCH

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Research why new food fails to sell.



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Where could I take this project?

- » Study the impact of various styles of labels on people's perception of the food.
- » Test ideas for new food products.
- » Create hands-on classroom activities.



Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Product Development Food Scientist | Research and Development Technician | Process/Continuous Improvement Manager

RESEARCH

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Work to establish a community vegetable garden.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Work at an area garden center.
- » Ask farmers for permission to glean fields for food to give to homeless shelters.
- » Build and maintain the compost units at the school.



Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Agriculture Science Teacher | Nutritionist/Dietitian | Extension Agent

SERVICE-LEARNING

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Interview three companies that process or package food products.



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Where could I take this project?

- » Create posters that show foods from raw to finished product.
- » Study the impact of various styles of labels on people's perception of the food.
- » Make jams and jellies for sale at a farmers' market.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Packaging Engineer | Process/Continuous Improvement Manager | Research and Development Manager



EXPLORATORY

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

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- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Create an ad promotion for local food products on your chapter website.
- » Start a service to grow gardens for the elderly.
- » Build and maintain the compost units at the school.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Agriculture Science Teacher | Extension Agent | Agronomist



SERVICE-LEARNING

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Grow vegetables to give to a local food pantry.



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- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Create an ad promotion for local food products on your chapter website.
- » Use unsellable zucchini in baked goods as a side to vegetable production.
- » Build and maintain the compost units at the school.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Agriculture Science Teacher | Extension Agent | Agronomist



SERVICE-LEARNING

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Shadow a USDA meat inspector.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Create a 10-minute presentation about careers in agribusiness for other FFA members.
- » Work at a meat production plant.
- » Prepare a food safety information kit covering safe handling of meat, eggs and other fresh-food products.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Meat Inspector | Slaughter Processor - General Operator | Slaughter Processor - Trimmer/Cutter



EXPLORATORY

FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS