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Middletown, Delaware 19709

October 28, 2015

Job Interview CDE Superintendent
6060 FFA Dr.
P.O. Box 68960
Indianapolis, IN 46268-0960

Dear Members of the Mason-Dixon Farms Internship Committee:

Simply stated; the dairy industry has shaped who I am. In applying for the internship position posted on the Mason-Dixon Farms website, I hope to gain the management skills required to operate a large dairy with a primary focus on general and reproductive health of dairy cattle. After learning about the position on a school field trip, the thought of applying has always been a goal of mine. I wish to contribute back to the industry by gaining as much knowledge possible to bring back to my families small operation. Obtaining the knowledge necessary to run a large-scale dairy would surely help improve our small herd. As a recent high school graduate, I am a freshman at the University of Delaware majoring in Animal Science with a minor in Spanish Language and possess career aspirations suffused in the realm of animal science.

With my experiences working on a small dairy farm, I have learned numerous skills that will be beneficial to working at Farms. I have experienced various hands on learning opportunities in numerous dairy health practices such as assistance with Artificial Insemination, administration of subcutaneous, intramuscular and intravenous medicines, a basic working knowledge of disease diagnosis and prevention along with proper understanding of the PCDART program. From treating scours, bacterial infections, viral infections and other health disorders to rehabilitating young calves with weak muscles, my passion for nursing a healthy herd will surely optimize my success at Farms.

If selected for this internship, I will learn and accrue the skills necessary to run and operate a large dairy herd. Some of the opportunities I am hoping to gain by pursuing this internship are to better understand the scientific approaches behind robotic milking systems, comprehension of complex methane converters and the overall attention to detail, and dedication required to own and operate a large scale cattle operation while simultaneously optimizing health.

In closing, I am certain that if given the opportunity to meet and correspond with your committee members, I would be able to better express my enthusiasm for the opportunities the internship would provide. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me at () or by email via the address ['@gmail.com](mailto: '@gmail.com). Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Enclosure: Résumé

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Phone: :
Email: .

OBJECTIVE:

To obtain a position as a reproductive and general health intern on Mason-Dixon Farms with the intent to gain knowledge and hands-on experience operating a large dairy while optimizing herd health.

EDUCATION:

University of Delaware
Newark, Delaware

Entrance: September 2015

Major: Animal Science, Minor: Spanish Language

High School
Delaware

Graduation: May 2015

GPA: 3.88, Class Ranking: 41/273

- Advanced Placement English and Social Studies Three credits
- Plant Science I, II, III, and IV Four credits
- Honors English, Math, Social Studies, Science and French Sixteen credits

EXPERIENCE:

Farms, Middletown, Delaware
General Calf Manager/Farm Assistant

June 2008 – present

- Assist with artificial insemination, vaccination, disease diagnosis and prevention
- Manage numerous calves health, growth and nutrition
- Aid with birthing, breeding, selection of sires and operation of farm machinery

Delaware Junior Holstein Association, Delaware
Youth Member

June 2008 – present

- Prepare educational lessons on the dairy industry for youth during Dairy Days
- Participate in the National Holstein Association Quiz Bowl in California
- Serve as an advocate for the Delaware Dairy Industry at state and national conferences

Farms, Middletown, Delaware
Owner/Livestock Exhibitor

September 2011 – present

- Manage nutrition, health, breeding, and general care for eleven goats and four sheep
- Create records for livestock purchases, vaccination dates, and breeding dates
- Maintain a sanitary animal environment through safety practices

Creamery, Middletown, Delaware
Assistant Manager

May 2013 – present

- Handle cash exchanges
- Prepare ice cream for purchaser consumption
- Oversee customer service scenarios

RELEVANT SKILLS:

- Communicate Efficiently – Proficient in both French and Spanish Language
- Artificial Insemination – Prepare pipettes, monitor thawing semen and observe signs of heat
- PCDART – Analyze milk and birthing reports, input herd members and update herd statistics

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

National FFA Washington Leadership Conference, District of Columbia
Delegate

July 2014

- Packaged over 54,000 meals for hunger insecure children - Outreach
- Promoted community service projects for Delaware FFA events and gatherings
- Participated in a hunger dinner designed to show need for food security

Delaware 4-H Cow Camp, Delaware
Camp Counselor

June 2010– June 2014

- Delivered supporting instruction in dairy health, nutrition, genetics and examination
- Provided care to over 40 children during overnight camp
- Served a combined 100 hours over several camp years

ACHIEVEMENTS/HONORS:

- Delaware FFA Job Interview, First Place 2015
- Delegate, National FFA Washington Leadership Conference 2014
- Delegate, Delaware Boys State Politics Program 2014
- Recipient, Delaware Junior Holstein Association Distinguished Member 2013
- Delaware, 2nd place State 4-H Dairy Judging 2012
- Delaware, State FFA Star Greenhand 2012
- Delaware, 1st place State FFA Creed Speaking CDE 2012
- Delaware, Cow Camp Champion 2011
- Delegate, National Holstein Conference and Quiz Bowl 2010

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- Chapter President, FFA Chapter 2014 – 2015
- Chapter Treasurer, FFA Chapter 2013 – 2014
- Chapter Secretary, FFA Chapter 2012 – 2013
- Student Council President, High School 2011 – 2015
- Class President, High School Class of 2015 2011 – 2015
- Youth Leader, Delaware 4-H Dairy Projects 2011 – 2015
- Secretary, Delaware Junior Holstein Association 2011 – 2013
- Club President, 4-H Club 2011 – 2012

REFERENCES:

- Ms. , Past DE Junior Advisor, (540)
- Farms Herd Manager, (302)
- FFA Advisor, (302)