

**First Name**

**Last Name**

**Address (street, city, state, zip)**

**Telephone**

**Email**

**Educational Experience**

**Agricultural Experience**

**Describe your work ethic**

**Describe your environmental ethic**

**Describe your physical condition**

**Describe your experience/comfort level with farm machinery and equipment**

**Describe why you are interested in pursuing agriculture as your livelihood**

**Have you developed a farm business plan?**

**Briefly describe the nature of your farming enterprise**

**Describe the primary goals and mission of your farming enterprise**

**Are there other people who will be involved in your farming enterprise?**

**What is their experience level and anticipated commitment?**

**What products do you plan to produce in your first season?**

**Describe how The North Farm's apprentice farmer program fits into your professional and farming goals**

**The North Farm offers up to 1 acre of production for fruit and vegetable growers. How much land would you want to grow on in your first year?**

**What do you see as the potential marketing opportunities in the Upper Peninsula?**

**Describe your marketing strategy**

**How do you plan to differentiate your products from other competitors?**

**What tools, supplies, or equipment do you already own (or plan to purchase) and will provide for your operation?**

**What tools, supplies, or equipment do you not currently own and will be essential for your farming enterprise?**

**How many hours per week do you plan to commit to your farming enterprise?**

**Many business start-ups require outside investment, income, or financial support. How do you plan to sustain yourself financially as you establish your farming enterprise?**

**What is your estimated gross and net income for your first season?**

**Describe your pest management strategy**

**Describe your weed management strategy**

**Describe your fertility management strategy**

**Where do you see your farm enterprise in 10 years?**

**Reference #1**

**Reference #2**

**Reference #3**

**Have you reviewed the general farmer guidelines of The North Farm Apprentice Farmer Program?**

**Can you work within these guidelines?**

**Are there other things we should know about you or your farm enterprise when reviewing your application?**

**How did you hear about The North Farm Apprentice Farmer Program?**

**The North Farm will offer cooperative housing options to apprentice farmers. Do you have any experience in cooperative housing?**

**If yes, please describe**

**Do you think you would be interested in living on-site, potentially in a cooperative housing situation?**