

**UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION**

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Title: *Agricultural Technician*

Position Number: 103050

Category Status: *Nonexempt, Regular (with benefits)*

Unit: *AGNR-AES-CMREC-WMREC (18830 Keedysville Road, Keedysville, MD 21756)*

Position Summary/Purpose of Position:

Responsible for assisting Agricultural Technician Supervisors in the day-to-day operations and for maintenance of farm and specialized agricultural research equipment. Work with managers to coordinate activities for researchers and others performing research and extension activities at the facility. Carry out fieldwork – tilling, planting, fertilizing, harvesting – for traditional and non-traditional agronomic and horticultural crops and research plots.

Qualifications:

Required–

- High School Diploma or GED.
- Three years' experience with agricultural research.
- Valid Maryland Noncommercial Class C or equivalent driver's license.

Preferred–

- Must be able to perform the manual duties of an Agricultural Technician: tilling, spraying, fertilizing, planting, and harvesting of general field and horticultural crops. Operates farm machinery, including tractors, plows, mowers, combines, balers, and hand tools.
- Ability to handle small- and large-scale farm equipment; must possess some degree of mechanical and carpentry skills; must possess skills to calculate and calibrate sprayers, fertilizer spreaders, planters and harvesting equipment; and the skills to operate agricultural equipment and computerized yield measurement equipment and GPS.

Additional Information: Ability to work in harsh work environment – excessive heat, cold, dirt & noise. Must be able to tolerate strenuous physical activity in adverse weather conditions. Ability to lift 50 lbs. & transport agricultural supplies, tools, and equipment, to climb and to perform extensive standing and walking.

Background Checks:

Offers of employment are contingent on completion of a background check. A prior criminal conviction or convictions will not automatically disqualify a finalist from employment in the position.

Salary and Benefits: Salary will commensurate with experience, with base salary of \$45,375.00 per year.

Applications: All Interested persons must submit their application via our website: <https://ejobs.umd.edu> (Position 103050). For more specific information please contact Brian Spielman at 443-506-2563.

Closing Date: Applications will be accepted through **September 27, 2024**.

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