

## 2018 CSA Agreement

## Dear CSA Members,

Thanks for registering for the 2018 Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program at Allandale Farm! Please review this agreement that includes guidelines and expectations for participation in our CSA. If you have any questions regarding any of the rules and regulations below, please do not hesitate to contact us at <a href="mailto:csa@allandalefarm.com">csa@allandalefarm.com</a>.

**Start Date:** The beginning of the CSA will likely be mid June (and run through late October). However, we ask for some flexibility due to the unpredictability of New England's spring weather. You will receive an email notification at least 10 days in advance of the first pick-up date.

<u>Pick-Up Time & Day</u>: CSA pick-up takes place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 2pm-7pm. Each member chooses a pick-up day and agrees to pick up on that day for the duration of the season. Each pick-up day we harvest, wash, and pack the exact number of shares that we need for our members. We require that you pick up your share on your assigned day and during the designated hours. All unclaimed shares will be donated to Lovin' Spoonfuls (<a href="www.lovinspoonfulsinc.org">www.lovinspoonfulsinc.org</a>) every Thursday morning. If you will be unavailable for pick-up on your chosen day, feel free to send a friend or neighbor in your place. Under extreme circumstances, we will accommodate a one-time pick-up day change so long as notice is sent by email to csa@allandalefarm.com no later than noon on the Monday of the week of the change.

<u>Pick-Up Location</u>: Shares will be available for pick-up in the garage behind the farm store. Please be prepared to provide the last name under which the share is registered. For simplicity, please assign only one name to each share.

<u>Parking</u>: Parking is available in the main parking lot just off of Allandale Road in front of the farm store. Please do not drive up to the garage as that space is used for vendor deliveries, farm vehicles, tractor repairs, and summer camp congregation. If you need assistance carrying

your share, our staff will gladly carry your bag to your car for you. Just let us know!

Bringing Your Share Home: Shares are packed into boxes, occasionally with additional veggies out of the box for members to choose themselves. Each member will receive a reusable CSA bag on their first pick-up day. We ask that members unpack their vegetables from the box, and use a bag to bring the contents home. We cannot reuse boxes for food packing once they leave the farm so our new bag system is crucial! Using your reusable bag is more environmentally friendly, and helps keep down the price of our shares. If you forget your bag, we will provide a brown paper bag, but we'd love to keep waste down as much as possible!

I understand that by registering I accept the inherent risks and rewards of participating in a CSA program. By accepting the terms, I acknowledge that agriculture is unpredictable and I will not receive a refund for any crop losses or failures.

We promise to do our best to provide you with the highest quality and largest diversity of farm-grown vegetables that we can. Thanks again for your support and we look forward to seeing you at the farm this season! Don't hesitate to email Chelsea at csa@allandalefarm.com with any questions.

Thank you,

Chelsea and the Allandale Farm team