



Great Outdoor Summer Job Opportunity:
2020 UMaine Cooperative Extension Apple Orchard Scouts

The University of Maine Cooperative Extension has two temporary full-time summer positions available for apple orchard scouts. Start and end dates are roughly late-May/early-June through late-August/early September, (we are somewhat flexible on each end, and also somewhat flexible if a scout needs a day off during the June-August scouting period etc.)

No biology experience or other background required. Pay is \$12/hour. A driver's license is required. The apple scout route starts and ends at the UMaine Highmoor Farm Agricultural Research Station, 52 Route 202, Monmouth ME, 04259.

The scouts will work as a pair, with a 4-day 40-hour work week. The scouts are provided with training, vehicle, and gas to travel to orchards in a weekly route through central/southern Maine between Bangor and Sanford to inspect apples trees, check traps, and collect data on apple insect and disease pests.

Scouts report observations to growers and to their supervisor by email and enter data into an Excel spreadsheet. The data are also used to produce a statewide email newsletter sent to over 450 subscribers to help apple growers make decisions regarding pest management strategies. It is a great job that has brought scouts back for multiple years.

Please contact: Glen Koehler, Assoc. Scientist IPM, Univ. Maine Coop. Extension. glen.koehler@maine.edu Office: 207-581-3882, Cell:207-485-0918