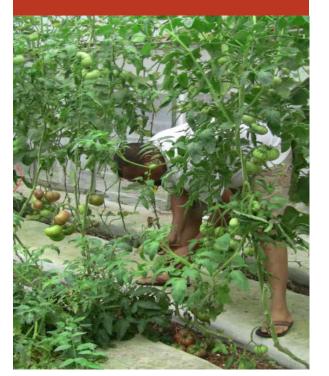


The West Tennessee New Farmer Academy is a 7 month certificate program designed for those with an interest in becoming agricultural entrepreneurs.

Ideal candidates for this program include those who are new to agriculture, those who wish to transition into agriculture from another field, such as military service or private sector work, or those who are looking for a post retirement opportunity.

The program focuses on teaching concepts, providing information, and facilitating the hands on experience and connections needed to build a solid, viable and successful agricultural business.

## Plan your farm for profit and recreation.



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## West Tennessee New Farmer Academy

## **Educational Topics**

- Business Plans & Farming Economics
- Livestock Production
- Pasture Management & Weed Control
- Timber / Forest Stand Management
- Vegetable & Fruit Crop production for Farmers Markets or Sale from the farm
- Farm Equipment & Maintenance
- Marketing your products
- Bees, Cattle, Goats and more!



Our goal is to provide research based information paired with time honored practices and real world examples to introduce you to Agriculture in West Tennessee. Exploring Opportunities, Setting Goals, Developing Connections and Creating a Plan to be successful in Agriculture in West Tennessee.



All workshops will begin on their date at Agricenter International in Memphis, Tennessee where we will complete the classroom training component of the program. We will venture from there to multiple locations around our area to experience more West TN agriculture.

Registration will take place through the UT-TSU Extension Office in Shelby County. The \$175.00 fee will cover materials, lunches and snacks for all 7 workshop dates. Registration deadline is April 5, 2108.

## Workshops will be held from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Central time

- Thursday, April 26
- Thursday, May 24
- Thursday, June 28
- Thursday, July 26
- Thursday, August 23
- Thursday, September 27
- Thursday, October 25



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