



EXPLORE: Click on the links to find the job titles that seem most interesting to you to learn more! Save any jobs you are interested in from this career pathway in your XELLO account so that you can create an Academic and Career Plan (ACP) later on.

Educational Level May also require work experience	Agribusiness and Biotechnology Systems	Animal Systems	Environmental & Natural Resource Systems/Forestry & Forest Products	Food Products & Processing Systems	Plant Systems	Power, Structural, & Technical Systems
High School Diploma, Certification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farm Operations Manager Auctioneer Office Manager* Data Processor Research Assistant* Specimen Collector \$30,000-\$62,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NonFarm Animal Caretakers* Farmworkers, Farm, Ranch, Aquaculture Animal Workers Pet groomer \$28,000-\$31,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field Operator* Logging Equipment Operator Forest Products/Saw Mill Technician Forest and Conservation Workers Recreation Program Lead* Visitors Services State Park* \$29,000-\$45,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Production Technician Material Handler* Slaughter Processor \$29,900-\$48,040 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farmworkers, Crops, Nursery, Greenhouse Workers Pest Control Workers Landscaper* \$29,630-\$38,270 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agricultural Equipment Operator* Truck Driver* \$30,000-\$60,000
Certification or Technical Diploma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spanish Translation Coordinator* Biotechnology Lab Technical Assistant* Research Technician \$34,000-\$59,280 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Artificial Insemination Technician Farrier Livestock Hauler* \$25,000-\$42,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sanitation Coordinator Propane and Fuel Transporter Forest Transporter* Mill Supervisor Log Yard Operator \$28,000-\$63,200 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lab Technician* Sanitation Processor Evisceration Processor \$26,000-\$46,590 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soil Testing Technician Custom Applicator Crop Scout \$32,300-\$54,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service Technician* Diesel Mechanic Welder* Parts Sales Specialist \$30,000-\$70,000
Registered Apprenticeship		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dairy Grazier \$37,800-\$120,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Arborist* Environmental Systems Technician and HVAC Installer Technician* Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Worker \$38,000-\$58,675 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance Mechanic/Journeyworker* \$45,000 - \$59,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organic Vegetable Farm Manager \$45,300-\$56,300 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heavy Equipment Operator and Operating Engineer* Maintenance Technician* Welder-Fabricator* \$40,000-80,000
Associate Degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agricultural Salesperson* Technology Programmer* Biotechnology Lab Tech* Agricultural Tax Specialist Biotechnology Researcher Agricultural Information BioFuels Technician Agricultural Certification Spec. \$38,000-\$100,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veterinary Technician* Breeding Manager Companion Animal Trainer* \$31,000-\$47,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forest and Conservation Technician Forest Equipment Maintenance Technician* Arborist* Forest Product Specialist Log Grader Lumber Sales/Inspector Dry Kiln Operator \$36,750-\$74,930 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supply Chain Associate* Quality Assurance Specialist HACCP Coordinator Storage and Hygiene Coordinator \$47,000-\$67,280 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seed Sales* Nutrient Manager Shipping Coordinator \$44,000-\$61,410 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service Manager Fabrication Technician* Power Systems Engineer \$40,000-65,000
Bachelor Degree and beyond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agricultural Marketer/ Communicator Agricultural Lender Agricultural Educator* Agricultural Lawyer* Geneticist Embryologist Biochemist* \$39,000-\$160,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feed Specialist/Nutritionist* Geneticist Veterinarian \$53,280-\$111,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Engineer/Manager* Forester & Urban Forester Water/Wastewater Engineer Environmental Educator* Forestry Inventory Analyst Paper Scientist Geographic Information System Analyst \$45,000-\$137,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Scientist* Meat Inspector Supply Chain Coordinator* \$40,700-\$100,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Precision Agriculture Specialist* Safety Specialist* Crop Specialist/Agronomist* \$52,000-\$59,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Precision Equipment Specialist* Agricultural Engineer Geographic Information System Specialist* \$40,430-\$82,640
Postsecondary Options	Click HERE for Postsecondary Options	Click HERE for Postsecondary Options	Click HERE for Postsecondary Options	Click HERE for Postsecondary Options	Click HERE for Postsecondary Options	Click HERE for Postsecondary Options

* BRIGHT OUTLOOK = these jobs are expected to grow in the future – which means more opportunities for you! XELLO = you can learn more and save this job in your Xello account (note: some job titles might look a little different in Xello)

Note: Educational requirements for some jobs may vary based on individual employer requirements



Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Career Pathway

At Merrill High School

Your Academic and Career Plan (ACP) for this career pathway starts here.

Use this page to determine which classes and activities you will take to prepare for this career pathway. Record your plan in XELLO.



Career and Technical Education Courses	Must include a sequence of at least TWO Career and Technical Education courses. Should align with CTE standards for the pathway: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plants, Animals and You Wildlife Large Animal Science and/or Small Animal Care Veterinary Science and/or Dairy Science 						CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAMS
Additional Employer Recommended Courses							State: Careers in Dairy videos
Career and Technical Student Organization							
Work-Based Learning Program Options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Apprenticeship (450 hrs/year; 1-2 years) 						
Industry Recognized Credential Options Learn the skills that employers want to see! <i>Italics = must be 18 years old to obtain</i>	Agribusiness Systems	Animal Systems	Biotechnology Systems	Environmental & Natural Resource Systems	Food Products & Processing Systems	Plant Systems	Power, Structural, & Technical Systems
College Credit Opportunities You can find the list of college credit opportunities included in the postsecondary options for this pathway HERE .	College Courses Offered at Your High School						
	Transcripted Credit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dairy Science 			AP and/or IB Courses			
	College Courses You Can Take at a College Campus						
	Application Deadlines: October 1st: Spring Courses February 1st: Summer Courses (ECCP only) March 1st: Fall Courses						
Start College Now				Early College Credit Program			