



# Food System Career Day

March 7 2025

## AGENDA

- 8:30 Registration
- 8:45 Tricia Kerr, Growing Hope Cayuga
- 8:50 Scott Bradley, Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES CTE Principal
- 8:55 Dan Welch, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cayuga County
- 9:00 *Keynote Speaker, Dr. Joe Waddell, PhD, Dairy Management, Inc.***
- 9:30 Richard Kane, Cayuga Milk Ingredients and Lisa Ford, Cayuga Marketing LLC  
*Food System Career Opportunities*
- 10:00 Career Panels Orientation/Vendor Showcase
- 10:15 Concurrent Career Panel Discussions**
- Panel 1: Technical Positions, Facilitated by Ed Staehr
- ◇ Brian Cornell, Owner, Cornell Electrical Solutions
  - ◇ John Komarisky, Owner, Main & Pinckney
  - ◇ Christine Viera, Monroe Tractor
  - ◇ Nathan Wood, Monroe Tractor
- Panel 2: Professional Positions, Facilitated by Rich Kane
- ◇ John Fessenden, Farm Credit East
  - ◇ Nick Graham, Scolaro Law Firm
  - ◇ Jessica Kolodzie, Cayuga Milk Ingredients
  - ◇ Joel Riehlman, Venture Farm, Cayuga Milk Ingredients
- Panel 3: Sustainability Positions, Facilitated by Tricia Kerr
- ◇ Matthew Fox, Agricultural Consulting Services
  - ◇ Abbey Hai, Cayuga County Soil & Water Conservation District
  - ◇ Hanna Maloney, Agricultural Consulting Services
  - ◇ Owen Weikert, Cayuga Milk Ingredients
  - ◇ Peter Wright, PE, Cornell University
- 10:45 Break: Vendor Showcase
- 11:00 Repeating Concurrent Career Panel Discussions**
- 11:30 Break: Vendor Showcase
- 11:45 Erin Humphrey Konuma and Greta Joynt, Silver Tree Forest Farm
- 12:00 *Locally sourced lunch prepared by BOCES Culinary Arts Students*
- 12:30 Jason Cuddeback, Cayuga County Soil & Water Conservation District
- 12:45 Education Pathways Panel, Facilitated by Ed Staehr**
- ◇ Patrick Leibacher, SUNY Cayuga Community College Culinary Program
  - ◇ Anne LaFave, Cornell College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
  - ◇ Dr. Ben Weikert, SUNY Cobleskill
- 1:15 Final Remarks
- 1:30 BOCES Tour

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