| **ACC Farm Incubator Program**  **2024 Application** |
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| **Only one application form is needed per farm.**  **Please note that this application is just the first step in your Incubator Program application. Please visit our website or read the “Application Procedure” for more information about all of the required steps.**  **Please answer the following questions. You may do so in any of these ways:**  **• Electronically (Google Form)**  **• Fill it out by hand (Print or request a hard copy, attaching additional pages if necessary).**   * **Bring print application to the Elgin Campus Bldg 2000.** * **Mail to:**   **Savannah Rugg**  **1501 West U.S. Hwy. 290**  **Elgin, Texas 78621** |
| **Contact information:**  Full Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Email:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 1. Are you currently a student at ACC? (Yes, No, or Other)   If you selected Other in the above question, please describe your relationship to ACC.   1. Which size plot are you applying for? (.15 acres or .25 acres) 2. Please describe the farm you wish to establish at the ACC FIP. Tell us what crops or goods you plan to grow. 3. Describe your background in farming and business? 4. What are your immediate goals for the farm (first year or two)? 5. What personal qualities do you possess that will help you to establish a viable farm and business? 6. In five years, what is the personal income you need to make from the business for farming to be worth your while? 7. What are your quality of life goals to avoid burnout and help ensure that farming is sustainable? 8. Where will you sell your products? How will you access those markets? 9. Even with the support and subsidies provided by ACC FIP, launching a farm takes considerable time and capital. Our expectation is that incubator farmers will invest the appropriate effort and resources needed to be successful. How much time and money are you prepared to invest into a start-up farm business and how do you plan to sustain yourself financially until your farm can turn a profit? 10. If you’re accepted as an Incubator Farmer, how do you see yourself in three to five years? 11. In addition to maintaining your plot, our expectation is that incubator farmers will attend all workshop sessions for the training program aspect. (Half day workshops, Fri or Sat during the semesters). Describe how you might manage your time and if you see this aspect a challenge for you. 12. What aspects of the program will be most challenging to you? 13. Is there anything else you think we should know about you at this juncture? |
| **Reference**  Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Relationship to Applicant:  Name of the Business:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Job Description While Employed: |
| **I certify that the above information is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and true:**  Applicant Signature :\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |