Teens can improve their chances of employment this summer by completing a tractor safety training course!

Successful completion of a tractor operation safety course is required for all youth under the age of 16 who perform farm jobs classified as hazardous, under the U.S. Department of Labor’s Hazardous Occupation Order.

To become certified, participants must attend all five course sessions, pass a written test and a tractor driving test.

Who: MSU Extension will host this training for 14 & 15 Year Old Youth. Youth must be age 14 by June 1st, 2018. Space is limited! (16–19 Year olds are encouraged to participate, but priority is given to 14-15 year olds). Class curriculum follows the National Safe Tractor and Operational Machinery Program.

Where: NW Michigan Research Station, 6686 S. Center Hwy., Traverse City. (County Road 633 between Suttons Bay & Traverse City)

When: Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25 from 6-8:30 p.m. A written and driving test will be given on Saturday, May 5th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Cost: $85 per person – includes: $20 4-H participation fee, classes, manual, certificate and lunch on test day. Some scholarships are available if finances are an issue.

The registration deadline is March 23, 2018. Contact the Leelanau MSU Extension office with any questions—231.256.9888 or collierr@anr.msu.edu.

4-H Tractor Safety Registration is a TWO step process...

1. Register and pay online at: https://events.anr.msu.edu/TractorSafety2018/

2. Become a 4-H member and create a profile online at: https://mi.4honline.com