

## 12/15/14 - Director of Cheese at Artisanal Cheese Production Company

The Director of Cheese will support the development of a new artisanal cheese making company. The ideal candidate will help launch and steer the company's growth, coordinate and oversee discrete facets of its operations, and help ensure that the company reaches its full potential. The position will also act as the day-to-day point person and be one of the key public faces of the company.

The Director of Cheese will be supporting the formation of a company that is bringing a fresh approach to producing locally-sourced cheese. Our business model is at the forefront of the cheese industry because it allows dairy farmers of all sizes access to avenues of high-margin revenue they did not have before. The Director of Cheese will work with a team of experienced entrepreneurs and executives that have grown new and existing businesses for over two decades, including a multi-location enterprise recognized as one of the top 20 fastest growing companies by Inc. magazine. The company will be a highly-regarded small batch cheese-production house and the producer of award-winning and much appreciated cheeses.

### Position Profile

- Passion about cheese, local food and agriculture
- A self-starter, self-motivator and self-manager
- A networker and relationship-builder
- Hunger to spearhead a new project and the willingness to forge a new business model
- A person who thrives in a start-up environment
- Excellence at wearing multiples hats and playing multiples roles
- Desire to be an industry expert and leader, as well as active in the cheese industry's community
- Detail-oriented
- Highly organized and able to adapt quickly
- A person with integrity, and a strong and genuine work ethic

### Relevant Areas of Experience

- Cheese production, sales, knowledge
- Dairy industry
- Dairy science
- Specialty foods
- Farm management
- Food manufacturing, processing, distribution, marketing
- Local food movement
- Managing inventory
- Supporting cheese maker
- Managing quality
- Managing certification and regulatory compliance
- Manages and monitors team
- Physically fit
- Ordering supplies
- Superior written skills
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Plans and coordinators
- Demonstrated ability to lead and support other staff members
- Commitment to review to identify problems, concerns, and opportunities for improvement
- Represents company at cheese and food events and conference
- Drives the implementation of the company mission

This position is an essential component of the company and will help ensure the project succeeds. This job is for a person with passion and hunger for success in the local and artisanal food industry. The opportunity to grow something from the ground up and for learning and growth is huge.

The position will begin as half-time and will expand to part-time within six months. National and regional candidates will be considered. The salary is competitive and will include benefits. Please send a letter and resume to [vin@localcheese.com](mailto:vin@localcheese.com)