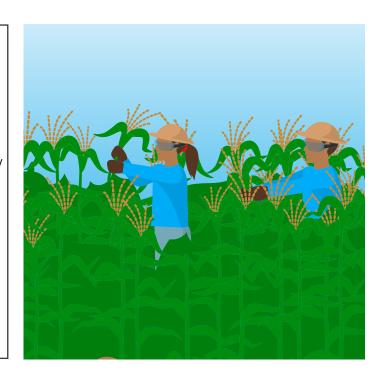


# **Detasseling Corn**

# Can youth do this job safely?

Youth must be able to do/have all of the following to perform this job safely:

- · Avoid loose clothing, clothes with strings, tie up long hair
- · Wear long pants and long sleeved shirt of breathable
- · Mature enough to consistently do what is expected
- · Think through actions and consequences before acting
- Recognize a hazard, problem solve, and respond appropriately
- · React quickly to hazards
- Physical stamina to perform the job for 50 minutes
- · Tall enough to reach tassels from a balanced standing position without overstretching
- · Strong enough to repeatedly remove tassel without overexerting
- If using, follow safety recommendations for personnel <u>carriers</u>
- · Safely demonstrate the job 4 to 5 times
- · Maintain two-way communication link



# **Adult Responsibilities**

- Comply with the working outdoors guideline
- · Provide safe transport to the field
- · Confirm re-entry standards are followed
- · Verify youth is free from insect allergies or has remedies for allergies
- Ensure work area is free from as many hazards as possible
- · Educate youth on avoiding/addressing remaining hazards
- If needed, fit youth for respirator and demonstrate proper use
- · Ensure youth has at least one 10 minute break every hour
- · Provide appropriate training
- · Demonstrate how to safely detassel corn

#### Supervision

12-13 yrs Constant supervision progressing to

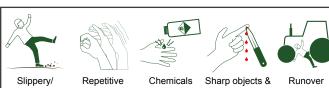
intermittent

Intermittent supervision progressing to 14-15 yrs

periodic

16+ yrs Periodic supervision

## **Hazards**



uneven surfaces

motion

rough edges on corn leaves

### **Protective Strategies**

