

# Farm to School Resources

# National Resources

What is Farm to School? (<http://www.farmtoschool.org/about/what-is-farm-to-school>) –National Farm to School Network

[The Benefits of Farm to School](http://www.farmtoschool.org/Resources/BenefitsFactSheet.pdf) (<http://www.farmtoschool.org/Resources/BenefitsFactSheet.pdf>) – National Farm to School Network

[Resource Database](http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources) (<http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources>) – National Farm to School Network

[Economic Impacts of Farm to School: Case Studies and Assessment Tools](http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/economic-impacts-of-farm-to-school) (<http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/economic-impacts-of-farm-to-school>) – National Farm to School Network

[City & School District Farm to School Policy Opportunities](http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/city-school-district-farm-to-school-policy-opportunities) (<http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/city-school-district-farm-to-school-policy-opportunities>) – National Farm to School Network

[Farm to Child Nutrition Programs Planning Guide](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/f2s/FTS-Planning-Guide.pdf) (<https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/f2s/FTS-Planning-Guide.pdf>) – United States Department of Agriculture

[The USDA Farm to School Planning Toolkit](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/f2s/F2S-Planning-Kit.pdf) (<https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/f2s/F2S-Planning-Kit.pdf>) – United States Department of Agriculture

[Fact Sheets](https://www.fns.usda.gov/cfs/fact-sheets) (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cfs/fact-sheets>) – United States Department of Agriculture

[Farm to School Resources](https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-school-resources) (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-school-resources>) – United States Department of Agriculture

[Farm to School Videos and Webinars](https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-school-resources) (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-school-resources>) – United States Department of Agriculture

[Policy Memos & Regulation](https://www.fns.usda.gov/cfs/procuring-local-foods) (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cfs/procuring-local-foods>) – United States Department of Agriculture

# Minnesota Resources

[Farm to School](http://www.extension.umn.edu/food/farm-to-school/) (<http://www.extension.umn.edu/food/farm-to-school/>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Minnesota Farm to School Newsletter](https://umn.us16.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=a14f4981d581fe3e847bce79d&id=5ec4f15f6e) (<https://umn.us16.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=a14f4981d581fe3e847bce79d&id=5ec4f15f6e>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Farm to School](https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/FNS/SNP/gen/farm/) (<https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/FNS/SNP/gen/farm/>) – Minnesota Department of Education

[Farm to School](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/farmtoschool/index.html) (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/farmtoschool/index.html>) – Minnesota Department of Health

[Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/ship/index.html) (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/ship/index.html>) – Minnesota Department of Health

[Farm to School and Early Care](https://www.iatp.org/farm-to-early-care)  (<https://www.iatp.org/farm-to-early-care>) – Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy

[Farm to School & Child Care](http://www.renewingthecountryside.org/farm_to_school) (<http://www.renewingthecountryside.org/farm_to_school>) – Renewing the Countryside

# Celebrate Farm to School Month

[Farm to School Month](https://extension.umn.edu/farm-school/farm-school-month) (<https://extension.umn.edu/farm-school/farm-school-month>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Apple Crunch Registration](https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eQKRRQq22cJZGG9) (<https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eQKRRQq22cJZGG9>) – Great Lakes Great Apple Crunch

[Apple Crunch K-12 Guide](https://drive.google.com/file/d/11vIic8STi-aoiE_EJ8nSHlWWJ84WxYm6/view) (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/11vIic8STi-aoiE_EJ8nSHlWWJ84WxYm6/view>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Minnesota Thursdays Registration](https://umn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_enSBGeg5W6y3Sfj) (<https://umn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_enSBGeg5W6y3Sfj>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Minnesota Thursdays Toolkit](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Mezpc8UpaLBWQJXirg0i3piGKkws9r1R) (<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Mezpc8UpaLBWQJXirg0i3piGKkws9r1R>) – University of Minnesota Extension, Minneapolis Public Schools, Roseville Area Schools

# Finding Local Foods

[A Seasonal Look at Fresh Produce](https://minnesotagrown.com/whats-in-season/) (<https://minnesotagrown.com/whats-in-season/>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture Minnesota Grown

[Minnesota Grown Wholesale Directory](https://minnesotagrown.com/wholesale-directory/) (<https://minnesotagrown.com/wholesale-directory/>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture

[Minnesota Farmers’ Market Association](file:///%5C%5Ceduc-fileserver2%5CGroups%5CNutrition%5CSchool%20Nutrition%20Programs%20%28SNP%29%5CFarm%20to%20School%5CResources%5CMinnesota%20Farmers%27%20Market%20Association) (<https://www.mfma.org/>) – Minnesota Farmers’ Market Association

[Local Harvest](https://www.localharvest.org/saint-paul-mn) (<https://www.localharvest.org/saint-paul-mn>)

[Producers Interested in Selling to K-12 Schools May 2011](http://www.farm2schoolmn.org/farmschoolmn/files/IATP%20F2S%20Producer%20Directory.pdf) (<http://www.farm2schoolmn.org/farmschoolmn/files/IATP%20F2S%20Producer%20Directory.pdf>) – Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy

[Department of Defense Fresh Produce](https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/FNS/FDP/dod/) (<https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/FNS/FDP/dod/>) – Minnesota Department of Education

# Food Safety

[Growing Safe Food](https://extension.umn.edu/safety/growing-safe-food) (https://extension.umn.edu/safety/growing-safe-food) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Minnesota School Garden & Farm to Cafeteria Safety: A Food Safety Operations Manual](https://www.co.olmsted.mn.us/OCPHS/reports/Documents/SchoolGardenFoodSafetyLowRez%20.pdf) (<https://www.co.olmsted.mn.us/OCPHS/reports/Documents/SchoolGardenFoodSafetyLowRez%20.pdf>) – Olmstead County Statewide Health Improvement Program

[On-Farm Food Safety Information for Food Service Personnel](https://extension.umn.edu/farm-school/food-safety) (<https://extension.umn.edu/farm-school/food-safety>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Produce Safety Resources](https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/produce-safety/) (<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/produce-safety/>) – Institute of Child Nutrition

# Local Procurement

[Procuring Local Foods Guide](https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/procuring-local-foods-for-child-nutrition-programs/) (<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/procuring-local-foods-for-child-nutrition-programs/>) – Institute of Child Nutrition

[Policy Memos](https://www.fns.usda.gov/cfs/procuring-local-foods) & Regulation (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cfs/procuring-local-foods>) – United States Department of Agriculture

[Procurement and Contracts](http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/dse/FNS/SNP/mgmt/Proc/) (<http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/dse/FNS/SNP/mgmt/Proc/>) – Minnesota Department of Education

[Toolkit for Direct Purchasing of Local Foods](file:///%5C%5Ceduc-fileserver2%5CGroups%5CNutrition%5CSchool%20Nutrition%20Programs%20%28SNP%29%5CFarm%20to%20School%5CResources%5CToolkit%20for%20Direct%20Purchasing%20of%20Local%20Foods) (<https://www.misa.umn.edu/publications/directpurchasingtoolkit>) – Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture

[Local Food Fact Sheet Series](https://www.misa.umn.edu/publications/local-food-fact-sheet-series) (<https://www.misa.umn.edu/publications/local-food-fact-sheet-series>) – Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture

[Farm to School Toolkit](http://nutritionservices.mpls.k12.mn.us/mps_f2s_toolkit) (<http://nutritionservices.mpls.k12.mn.us/mps_f2s_toolkit>) – Minneapolis Culinary & Wellness Services

# Traditional Foods

[American Indian Traditional Foods Toolkit](https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/school-nutrition/pdf/amer-ind-trad-foods-toolkit.pdf) (<https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/school-nutrition/pdf/amer-ind-trad-foods-toolkit.pdf>) – Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

# Curriculum Resources

[Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom](https://minnesota.agclassroom.org/index.cfm) (<https://minnesota.agclassroom.org/index.cfm>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture

[Curriculum Matrix](https://minnesota.agclassroom.org/matrix/index.cfm) (<https://minnesota.agclassroom.org/matrix/index.cfm>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom

[Cream of the Crop – A Harvest of Specialty Crop Lessons](https://minnesota.agclassroom.org/educator/sclb.cfm) (<https://minnesota.agclassroom.org/educator/sclb.cfm>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom

[Ag Mag Specialty Crops](https://www.mnagmag.org/specialty-crops/) (<https://www.mnagmag.org/specialty-crops/>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom

[Farm to School Youth Leadership Curriculum](https://www.iatp.org/sites/default/files/F2SCurriculum_full_IATP_web_0.pdf) (<https://www.iatp.org/sites/default/files/F2SCurriculum_full_IATP_web_0.pdf>) – Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy

[Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and Farm to School Toolkit](http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/every-student-succeeds-act-essa-and-farm-to-school) (<http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/every-student-succeeds-act-essa-and-farm-to-school>) – National Farm to School Network

[Teaching the Food System from Farm to Fork FoodSpan](http://foodspanlearning.org/) (<http://foodspanlearning.org/>) – John Hopkins Center for a Livable Future

# Funding Opportunities

[AGRI Farm to School grants](https://www.mda.state.mn.us/business-dev-loans-grants/agri-farm-school-grants) (<https://www.mda.state.mn.us/business-dev-loans-grants/agri-farm-school-grants>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture

[Specialty Crop Block grants](https://www.mda.state.mn.us/business-dev-loans-grants/specialty-crop-block-grant) (<https://www.mda.state.mn.us/business-dev-loans-grants/specialty-crop-block-grant>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture

[AGRI Urban Agriculture Grant](https://www.mda.state.mn.us/grants/grants/urbanaggrant) (<https://www.mda.state.mn.us/grants/grants/urbanaggrant>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture

[Ag Literacy Grants](https://minnesota.agclassroom.org/grants/literacy.cfm) (<https://minnesota.agclassroom.org/grants/literacy.cfm>) – Minnesota Department of Agriculture

[Farm to School Grants](https://www.fns.usda.gov/cfs/farm-school-grant-program) (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-school-grant-program>) – United States Department of Agriculture

[MAELC Grants](http://mn.gov/maelc/grants.html) (<http://mn.gov/maelc/grants.html>) – Minnesota Agricultural Education Leadership Council (MAELC)

# Local Conferences

[Schoolyard Garden Conference](http://arboretum.umn.edu/schoolyards2019.aspx) (<http://arboretum.umn.edu/schoolyards2019.aspx>) – Minnesota Landscape Arboretum

[Garden to Plate Food Conference](http://arboretum.umn.edu/gardentoplate2019.aspx) (<http://arboretum.umn.edu/gardentoplate2019.aspx>) – Minnesota Landscape Arboretum

**Culinary Videos**

[Chef Cyndie Preparation and Handling Videos for Plant-Based Foods in Schools](http://www.chefcyndie.com/video.html) (<http://www.chefcyndie.com/video.html>) – Chef Cyndie

[Chop! Chop! Culinary Skills for Wisconsin-Grown Produce in School Meals](https://www.cias.wisc.edu/chopchop/#leafygreens) - <https://www.cias.wisc.edu/chopchop/#leafygreens> – University of Wisconsin-Madison Center for Integrated Agricultural System

[Great Trays Toolkit for School Foodservice – Preparing Food](https://extension.umn.edu/great-trays-toolkit-school-foodservice/preparing-food) (<https://extension.umn.edu/great-trays-toolkit-school-foodservice/preparing-food>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Cooking healthy on a budget videos](https://extension.umn.edu/nutrition-and-healthy-eating/cooking-healthy-budget-videos#unnarrated-recipe-demonstration-videos-295010) (<https://extension.umn.edu/nutrition-and-healthy-eating/cooking-healthy-budget-videos#unnarrated-recipe-demonstration-videos-295010>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Healthy Cuisine for Kids](https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/healthy-cuisine-for-kids-2/) (<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/healthy-cuisine-for-kids-2/>) – Institute for Child Nutrition

[Culinary Techniques for Healthy School Meals](https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/culinary-techniques/) (<https://theicn.org/icn-resources-a-z/culinary-techniques/>) –Institute of Child Nutrition

**Recipe Collections**

[Now We’re Cooking! – Great Trays Recipes](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OQ8gtXu2mzEjxT0OKlQk3-puhRJ8itRi/view) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Home Grown Menus of Wisconsin](https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/team-nutrition/pdf/homegrown-f2s-recipes.pdf) – Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

[Washington Grown Food Kit](http://www.wafarmtoschool.org/ToolKit) – Washington State Department of Agriculture

[What’s Cooking? USDA Mixing Bowl](https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/usda-standardized-recipe) – United States Department of Agriculture

[Fruit and Veggie Quantity Cookbook](https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/nhp/documents/cookbook.pdf) – New Hampshire Obesity Prevention Program, DHHS, DPHS

[Ohio Menus that Move](http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Student-Supports/Food-and-Nutrition/Resources-and-Tools-for-Food-and-Nutrition/Menus-that-Move) – Ohio Department of Education

**Garden Resources**

[Team Nutrition Garden Resources](https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/team-nutrition-garden-resources) (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/team-nutrition-garden-resources>) – United States Department of Agriculture

[School Garden Guide](http://www.slowfoodusa.org/files/files/slow-food-usa-school-garden-manual.pdf#page=10) (<http://www.slowfoodusa.org/files/files/slow-food-usa-school-garden-manual.pdf#page=10> ) – Slow Food USA

[Garden to Cafeteria Toolkit](https://www.slowfoodusa.org/garden-to-cafeteria) (<https://www.slowfoodusa.org/garden-to-cafeteria>) – Slow Food USA

[Creating and Growing Edible Schoolyards](http://www.arboretum.umn.edu/UserFiles/File/2013%20Schoolyard%20Gardens%20Conference/EdibleSchoolyardsManual_optimized.pdf) (<http://www.arboretum.umn.edu/UserFiles/File/2013%20Schoolyard%20Gardens%20Conference/EdibleSchoolyardsManual_optimized.pdf>) – Bloomington, Edina and Richfield Statewide Health Improvement Program

[Starting and Maintaining a School Garden](http://www.farmtoschool.org/Resources/School_Gardens_Fact_Sheet.pdf) (<http://www.farmtoschool.org/Resources/School_Gardens_Fact_Sheet.pdf>) – National Farm to School Network

[School Garden Resources](https://www.lifelab.org/for-educators/schoolgardens/) (<https://www.lifelab.org/for-educators/schoolgardens/>) – Life Lab

[Master Gardeners](https://extension.umn.edu/master-gardener/ask-master-gardener) (<https://extension.umn.edu/master-gardener/ask-master-gardener>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Minnesota Schoolyard Garden Coalition](https://www.facebook.com/mnsgc/) (<https://www.facebook.com/mnsgc/>)

**Promotional Videos**

[Farm to School and Early Care in Minnesota](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CLOeKtZZah0&feature=youtu.be) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CLOeKtZZah0&feature=youtu.be>) – Blue Cross Blue Shield and Minnesota Farm to School Leadership Team

[Aitkin County Farm to School Healthy Northland](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h83MHg8yufs) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h83MHg8yufs>) – Statewide Health Improvement Program

[Culinary & Wellness Services Videos](https://cws.mpls.k12.mn.us/videos) (<https://cws.mpls.k12.mn.us/videos>) – Minneapolis Public Schools

[Green Thumb Initiative](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gTonS-F7Adk&feature=youtu.be) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gTonS-F7Adk&feature=youtu.be>) – Statewide Health Improvement Program

**Other States Farm to School Webpages**

[Michigan Farm to School](https://www.canr.msu.edu/farm_to_school/) – Michigan State University Center for Regional Food Systems

[Montana Farm to School](http://www.montana.edu/mtfarmtoschool/index.html) – Montana State University

[Oregon Farm to School & School Gardens](https://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/childnutrition/F2S/Pages/OregonFarmtoSchoolandSchoolGardenProgram.aspx) – Oregon Department of Education

[Farm to School](https://www.farmtoinstitution.org/farm-school) – FINE Farm to Institution New England

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[Minnesota Farm to School Leadership Team](https://extension.umn.edu/about-farm-school/farm-school-leadership-team) (<https://extension.umn.edu/about-farm-school/farm-school-leadership-team>) – University of Minnesota Extension

[Local Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP) Staff](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/ship/contacts.html) (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/ship/contacts.html>) – Minnesota Department of Health

[SNAP-Ed Educators](https://extension.umn.edu/teaching-nutrition-education/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-education-snap-ed) (<https://extension.umn.edu/teaching-nutrition-education/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-education-snap-ed>) – University of Minnesota Extension