

School Garden Web Sites

The following Web sites contain information on school gardening programs. These Web sites are operated by the federal government, by schools, and by nonprofit groups that health professionals consider to be reputable organizations. *Eat Well & Keep Moving* cannot vouch for the accuracy or completeness of the information contained on these Web sites. The listing of a Web site here does not mean that *Eat Well & Keep Moving*, the Harvard School of Public Health, or the Harvard Prevention Research Center endorses these organizations or their positions.

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Rethinking School Lunch Program

The Center for Ecoliteracy's Rethinking School Lunch (RSL) program offers a comprehensive planning framework for improving school lunches. The RSL guide's curriculum framework talks about the importance of school gardens; a link to the RSL guide is available on the Web site.

www.ecoliteracy.org/programs/rsl.html

Chicago Botanic Garden and U.S. Botanic Garden

School Garden Wizard

Designed for teachers, this Web site offers step-by-step advice on launching a school garden. Topics covered include writing the proposal, assembling the garden team and creating a plan, building the garden and maintaining it, and evaluating success. The site also has a section on school garden activities and curriculum connections.

www.schoolgardenwizard.org

Cornell University

"Garden Mosaics"

This youth and community education program uses community gardens to teach children about science and community engagement. Available in both English and Spanish, this Web site offers information on the science behind gardening, as well as a database of school and youth gardening projects from around the United States and South Africa.

www.gardenmosaics.cornell.edu/pgs/aboutus/mainaboutus.htm

The Edible Schoolyard

Located at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School in Berkeley, California, this organic gardening and cooking program lets students experience food production and preparation from seed to table. The Web site includes details about the program (which is supported by the Chez Panisse Foundation), classroom and garden lessons, and recipes.

www.edibleschoolyard.org

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Green Schools Initiative

The Little Green Schoolhouse: Thinking Big About Ecological Sustainability, Children's Environmental Health and K-12 Education in the USA

The Green Schools Initiative was founded by parent environmentalists to improve the environmental health and ecological sustainability of schools in the United States. This report broadly addresses environmental sustainability in schools and includes many recommendations, among them creating edible school gardens.

www.greenschools.net/report/index.html

Junior Master Gardener Program

The Junior Master Gardener (JMG) program is the youth gardening program of the University Cooperative Extension network. The Web site has information on JMG program curricula and teacher training and also includes the JMG newsletters.

www.jmgkids.us/index.k2

National Gardening Association

Kidsgardening.org

The National Gardening Association's Web site covers several topics related to school gardens, including a school greenhouse guide, teacher stories about their experiences with class gardens, and information on school and youth gardening grants.

www.kidsgardening.com/teachers.asp

Slow Food USA

Slow Food in Schools

Slow Food USA is a nonprofit organization that promotes a sustainable, high-quality, socially just and environmentally responsible food system. Resources available for schools include how-to guidelines on starting a Slow Food in Schools project (such as a farm to school program, a cooking and food tasting curriculum, or a school garden), and a PowerPoint presentation to use in educating the school community about a Slow Food in Schools project.

www.slowfoodusa.org/education/resources.html

Team Nutrition, U.S. Department of Agriculture

"School Food Service: Gardening Classroom Activities"

The gardening section of Team Nutrition's Healthy Meals Resource System has links to lesson plans and activities related to school gardens.

http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/nal_display/index.php?info_center=14&tax_level=3&tax_subject=265&topic_id=1373&level3_id=5378