

Selected Farm to School Resources

A. Procurement – Buying and Selling Local Foods

- Linking Farms with Schools. A Guide to Understanding Farm-to-School Programs for Schools, Farmers and Organizers. By Marion Kalb, Kristen Markley and Sara Tedeschi. Community Food Security Coalition, 2004.
- Rethinking School Lunch. Center for Ecoliteracy. 2004.
<http://www.ecoliteracy.org/pages/rethinking/rethinking-home.html> *A free, comprehensive web guide organized around 10 topical issue areas for transforming school lunch.*
- Healthy Farms, Healthy Kids: Evaluating the Barriers and Opportunities for Farm to School Programs. By Andrea Misako Azuma and Andrew Fisher. Community Food Security Coalition, 2001. *Provides case studies of programs at the K-12 level and includes policy recommendations. Can be ordered for \$12 plus s/h at <http://www.foodsecurity.org/pubs.html>*
- Local Food Connections: From Farms to Schools. Iowa State University Extension. June 2000.
<http://www.leopold.iastate.edu/pubs/other/other.htm> *Geared towards farmers and producers interested in selling to schools. Downloadable for free.*
- Local Food Connections: Food Service Considerations. Iowa State University Extension. June 2002. <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/Publications/PM1853C.pdf> *Geared toward food service professionals. Downloadable for free.*
- Selling to Institutions: An Iowa Farmer's Guide. By Robert Luedeman and Neil D. Hamilton. Drake University Agricultural Law Center, 2003. *Downloadable for free.*
<http://www.iowafoodpolicy.org/ifpcpublications.htm>
- University of California Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program
<http://www.sarep.ucdavis.edu/cdpp/> *Useful reports available for free online. Links to a case study of the Davis Unified farm to school program and a report on farm to school marketing opportunities for family farmers.*
- Buy Local Food and Farm Guidebook: A Guide for Campus Organizers. Oxfam America.
<http://www.oxfamamerica.org/advocacy/art1078.html>
Report on incorporating local food into college dining operations, general information that is useful for the K-12 level as well. Downloadable for free.
- Community Food Security Coalition http://www.foodsecurity.org/farm_to_school.html *Farm to school and farm to college case studies, links, reports, and funding ideas.*
- Washington State Department of Agriculture, Small Farm and Direct Marketing
<http://agr.wa.gov/Marketing/SmallFarm/farmtocafeteria.htm> *Two useful reports available online without charge.*

- Farm to School: An Introduction for Food Service Professionals, Food Educators, Parents and Community Leaders. By Alison Harmon. National Farm to School Program, Center for Food and Justice, Urban and Environmental Policy Institute. 2003.
<http://www.farmtoschool.org/National/index.htm> *A 73 page manual for a wide-variety of audiences. Profiles initiatives around the country and places farm to school programs in the food system context. Available for a donation of \$12.*
- Bringing Local Food to Local People: A Resource Guide for Farm-to-School and Farm-to – Institution Programs. By Barbara C. Bellows, Rex Dufour, and Janet Bachmann. ATTRA 2003.
<http://attra.ncat.org/attra-pub/PDF/farmtoschool.pdf> *Available free on the web. This resource includes profiles of programs, potential funding sources, and an annotated bibliography.*
- Expanding Local Food Systems by Marketing to Iowa Institutions. Practical Farmers of Iowa. Practical Farmers of Iowa. May 2002.
http://www.pfi.iastate.edu/Local_Food_Syst/Expanding_Local_Food_Systems_by_Marketing_to_Iowa_Institutions.pdf *With a focus on Iowa, four different programs linking Iowa farms and institutions are described in this free publication.*

B. Curricular Resources on Gardening, Cooking, Nutrition and the Food System

- Cornell Cooperative Extension, Discovering the Food System
<http://www.cce.cornell.edu/foodsyst/> *“An experiential learning program for young and inquiring minds”*
- California Department of Education
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/cdepress/catalog/nutried.html> *Curricular materials for standards-based activities on gardening, nutrition, and cooking.*
- The Food Project, French Fries and the Food System
<http://www.thefoodproject.org/newtftp/tfpstore/tfpstore.shtml> *Lesson plans developed and utilized by an innovative urban youth gardening program in Massachusetts.*
- Wisconsin Fast Plants Program
http://www.fastplants.org/home_flash.html *A science education outreach program from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with activities and lesson plans utilizing a fast, indoor-grown brassica plant.*
- Agriculture in the Classroom <http://www.agclassroom.org/> *With links to state-specific programs and resources.*

C. Funding Resources

- Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program, Cooperative State Research Education, and Extension Service, USDA
http://www.csrees.usda.gov/nea/food/in_focus/hunger_if_competitive.html
- Sustainable Agriculture and Education Program <http://www.sare.org/>

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D. Farm to School Program Websites

- National Farm to School Program <http://www.farmtoschool.org/>, at the Center for Food and Justice <http://departments.oxy.edu/uepi/cfj/>
- Wisconsin Homegrown Lunch <http://www.reapfoodgroup.org/farmtoschool/index.shtml>
- Center for Integrated Agriculture Systems, University of Wisconsin-Madison. <http://www.wisc.edu/cias/>
- Community Food Security Coalition. <http://www.foodsecurity.org>
- Marin Food Systems Project http://www.eecom.net/projects_school.htm
- Cornell Farm to School Program. <http://www.cce.cornell.edu/farmtoschool/>
- Hartford Food System. http://www.hartfordfood.org/programs/project_farm.html
- Rutgers University <http://aesop.rutgers.edu/~njuep/fts/fts.html>
- Community Alliance with Family Farmers <http://www.caff.org/>
- North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services <http://www.ncagr.com/fooddist/Farm-to-School.html>
- Kentucky Department of Agriculture http://www.kyagr.com/mkt_promo/hort/programs/hort/farmtoschool/

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