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FARM TO CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS (CNP): INSIDE THE ISSUE

Fresh Fruit and Vegetable (FFVP) Update

FFVP SY 22-23 [mandatory training](#) needs to be completed before submitting your first claim. Agreements and EGMS are delayed but please continue to submit claims following the [22-23 claim calendar](#). Please continue to submit claims to FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov.

Farm to CNP Non-Competitive Reimbursement Grant

The Progress Reports for the non-competitive reimbursement grant are past due. You can link directly to the [progress report](#) or access it through the [Farm to CNP Reimbursement Grant web page](#). You will not be able to submit future reimbursement claims or receive additional funding until this report is submitted.

Farm to CNP Education Grant

View our press release [here](#) to learn more about the education grant and learn more about the winning entries.

Oregon School Wellness and Afterschool Wellness Awards

Applications due January 31, 2023, more details on page 4

Program and Partner Highlights in this Issue

- Mitchell School District's Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Educational Materials
- A page from Luckiamute Valley Charter School's Gardening Newsletter

Other Announcements

2022-2023 Oregon School Garden Survey

This 44-question [survey](#) should take 15-20 minutes to complete. We would like everyone to fill out this survey even if it has been completed in the past before. Even if your garden is not currently in use, we would still everyone to fill it out so we can get better data about school gardens in Oregon.

[Marion Polk Food Share Youth Farm](#)

Check out their website for more information about their programs growing produce for the community and empowering youth leadership.





CNP Grant Updates

Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)

- Please continue to submit claims to FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov according to the [SY 2022-2023 FFVP timeline](#). November 2022 claims are due **Sunday, January 29, 2023**.
- Agreements and EGMS are currently on hold, but sponsors will be notified as soon as claims are ready to be entered. Claims must still be submitted to FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov by the monthly deadlines. Here are the [SY 2022-2023 FFVP deadlines](#).
- The [mandatory annual FFVP training](#) is now available. This training will need to be completed before submitting your first claim for the 22-23 school year.
- Any questions can be sent to us at FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov.



Noncompetitive Reimbursement Grant

- The Progress Reports for the non-competitive reimbursement grant are past due. You can link directly to the [progress report](#) or access it through the [Farm to CNP Reimbursement Grant web page](#). This progress report is mandatory and required of all sponsors that participate in the ODE Farm to CNP Reimbursement Grant. You will not be able to submit future reimbursement claims or receive additional funding until this report is submitted.
- The 2021-2023 claim form can be found on the [Farm to CNP Reimbursement Grant webpage](#). It is the first item under the "Resources for Claims" section.
- The mandatory Training Webinar is available on the [Reimbursement Grant webpage](#). This is a recorded webinar. Please view as your schedule allows. After viewing is complete, each grantee must fill out a [Reimbursement Grant Attestation Form](#).
- Before Farm to CNP claims can be approved, returning sponsors must complete a [Final Report](#) from last biennium and new sponsors must complete a [Baseline Report](#).



Education Grant

- View page 3 of this newsletter for a list of the winning entries and the full press release on our website [here](#).
- Successful awardees will be notified when their subgrants are built in EGMS and able to enter information.

Farm to CNP Education Grant Press Release

See the full press release with Highlights and Innovations from the Winning Entries Farm to School Grant Proposals [here](#).

Farm to School and School Garden grants continue to transform Oregon school lunch Grant awards go to forty-eight awardees to use nearly \$3 million in state funding for food-, agriculture-, and garden-based educational activities

Salem, Ore., Update: December 2022 – This year, school lunch for nearly 168,000 Oregon students is continuing to transform thanks to an infusion of food education. The Oregon Department of Education has announced that thirty-five awardees are the recipients of competitive Farm to School and School Garden grants for food-, agriculture-, and farm-based education activities totaling \$2,915,192 which will provide over 323,000 hours of farm to school educational programming. The funding was available to school districts, Sponsors of Child and Adult Care Food Programs, Educational Service Districts, nonprofit entities, commodity commissions or councils, watershed councils, Oregon Food Producers and Tribal organizations across the state – from the Oregon Coast, through the metro regions, to remote Eastern Oregon.

The grant program is the product of House Bill 2579—the Farm to School & School Garden Bill—passed by the Oregon State Legislature with unanimous support in 2019. There are other portions to the grant as well, the largest portion being a non-competitive award available to all Oregon school districts and child and adult food care programs to assist in paying for costs incurred by the school district to purchase Oregon grown or processed food. It may not be enough to simply expose students to fresh, local healthy food by itself without teaching them about it, which is where the competitive educational grant comes in. It is designed to work in harmony with the non-competitive portion to have a greater impact on healthy choices and habits for Oregon students.

Winning Entries Farm to School Grant Proposals

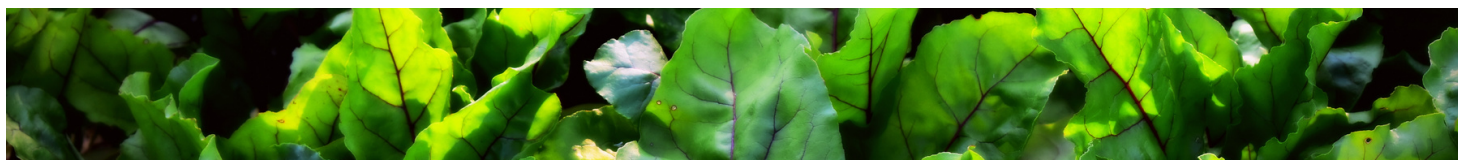
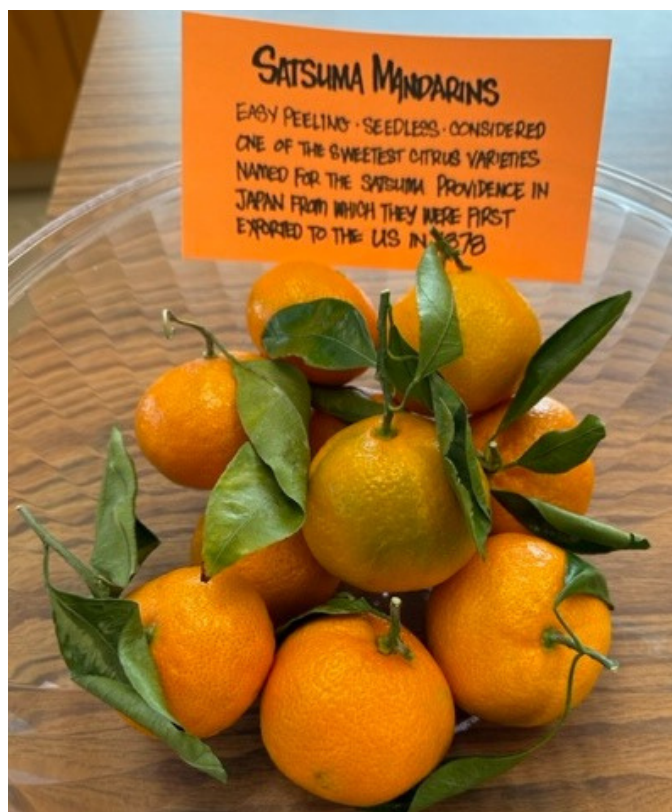
Adelante Mujeres	Impact NW	Portland Public SD - MLK PTA
Bethel SD	Jefferson SD	Prairie City School District
Brookings Harbor SD	Jewell School	Rainier SD
Building Healthy Families	Josephine County Food Bank	Rogue Valley Farm to School
Capaces Leadership Institute	Keep Growing Seeds	Roseburg SD
Cascade School District	Kids Unlimited of Oregon	School Garden Project of Lane County
Central Oregon Environmental Center	Klamath County SD	Serendipity Center
Central Point SD	Lebanon SD	Sustainable Living Center
Corvallis Environmental Center	Lincoln County SD	Umpqua Valley Farm to School
Curry County Soil & Water Conservation District	Luckiamute Valley Charter School	Village School
Eden Acres Environmental Education	North Santiam School District	White Oak Farm
Eligin SD	Oregon State University - Soil Science	Willamina SD
Family Nurturing Center	Oregon State University - Pollinator Project	Friends of Zenger Farm
Food Roots	Oregon State University - Family & Community Health	
Greater Albany SD	Oregon State University - Klamath Co.	
Glide SD	Oregon State University - Marion Co.	
Grow Portland		
Growing Gardens	Phoenix School of Roseburg	





FFVP Highlights

Here are highlights from Mitchell SD's FFVP Program, thank you for sharing! If you would like your program to be featured in this newsletter share information/pictures with us at FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov



Oregon School Wellness and Afterschool Wellness Awards

[Apply now!](#) Applications due by January 31, 2023

Has your school or afterschool program created a culture that supports the health and wellbeing of students and staff? If so, this is your opportunity to apply for the award!

The Wellness Award applications were designed with the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model in mind. The [WSCC model](#) is student centered and emphasizes the role of the community in supporting the school, the connections between health and academic achievement and the importance of evidence-based school policies and practices.

The award includes statewide recognition, a personalized plaque and a custom banner for the winning school and afterschool program, as well as a cash award—\$2,500 for the winning school and \$1,000 for the winning afterschool program—to be used to further nutrition, physical activity and/or other wellness efforts within the school or afterschool program.

The Oregon School and After School Wellness Awards are sponsored by the Oregon Dairy and Nutrition Council, the Oregon Department of Education, Oregon Afterschool for Kids (OregonASK), and the Nutrition Council of Oregon.

To apply or to learn more, visit the School and Afterschool Wellness Awards page on the Oregon Department of Education website.

Check out this great newsletter from Luckiamute Valley Charter School!

Luckiamute Valley Charter School Garden Class Newsletter

November/December 2022

A couple of months filled with gratitude and hard work

Fall Garden Build and Crops

We worked hard during the warm dry Fall months (and through the drizzle) to build garden rows in both schools. Cover crops were sown, herbs brought in, Jerusalem artichokes added as a back row, and some 10 pounds of garlic seed were planted.



An assortment of 5 different cover crops will offer opportunity to observe and learn



Letting our compost sit and continue its decomposition over hay and shredded paper.



Lots of Garlic to plant! Huge thanks to the Pedee Women's club for funding to purchase seeds.



Students lining the back of the garden with Jerusalem artichoke bulbs



Perennial herbs get added to entrance garden boxes



Green our Planet and Hydroponics

We made huge progress setting up almost all 19-tabletop hydroponic growing systems in various



classrooms and even our Bridgeport front office! We are learning about how to extend our growing season and pick vegetables indoors through the winter months. A huge thanks

Their newsletter also features working with their garden's location on the floodplain and doing science experiments to learn about soil and water retention. Such cool projects!

Students had the opportunity to taste salsa, pumpkin milk, chocolate zucchini muffins, fresh squeezed orange juice, quince, cubed potatoes, and beet smoothies!

We can't wait to see their upcoming projects through the support of the Farm to CNP Education grant.

If you have projects or stories to share from your programs for this Farm to CNP newsletter, please send it to FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov

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Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
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