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

October is Officially Farm to School Month in Oregon!

Kate Brown proclaimed October Farm to School month in Oregon. Take this month as a chance to celebrate farm to school efforts in your schools. See the proclamation on page 2.

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.



Fresh Fruit and Vegetable (FFVP) Update

October begins FFVP SY 22-23. Claims beginning October 1, will be a part of this school year. August claims continue to follow the [SY 21-22 calendar](#) and are due October 30, 2022. 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. 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.



Oregon Harvest for Schools

Oregon Harvest for Schools has resources for schools including, videos, free posters for order, and a directory to find locally grown and processed foods. All can be found on the [Oregon Harvest for Schools webpage](#).

Other Opportunities

ODE Virtual Culinary Training: Oregon Cooks for Kids- You, A Can, and A Plan Culinary Training on October 27th at 2:00



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Check out Oregon Farm to School and School Garden Network's Melina Barker on KATU2, view the clip [here!](#)

[Oregon Taste](#) also has resources and ideas for celebrating farm to school month. Share any celebrations that take place at your school with us at FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov.





Announcing the 2022-2023 Oregon School Garden Survey!

Currently Oregon has 788 school gardens! That's over half the schools in Oregon.

We last did an extensive survey starting in 2017. We spent the past couple years getting feedback of what we are missing and adding or changing the questions we had. We are ready to send out the survey, and like everything else, we had to pause while COVID ran its course, as many gardens were inactive

We now have 44 questions; it should take 15-20 minutes to complete a survey for each garden. We ask that everyone should fill out a new survey for this, even if you have filed one out in the past. It's important to fill out the survey even if your garden is in hiatus or information while our evaluation team and Oregon Farm to School & School Garden Network continue to shape out future in school gardens

Here is the link to the survey: [ODE School Garden Survey 2023](#)



Registration is Now Open for the ODE Virtual Culinary Training:

Oregon Cooks for Kids- You, A Can, and A Plan Culinary Training on October 27th at 2:00

Please join us for a virtual culinary experience with Chef Jessica. School and child nutrition professionals across Oregon are invited to an hour of inspiration on Thursday, October 27th at 2:00pm. Watch or cook along with Jessica as she prepares easy, tasty, and fun recipes that meet Child Nutrition Program Guidelines while adjusting to supply chain and staffing challenges. Participants will receive recipes and lots of creative ideas for cooking with various canned foods. [Register here](#).

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. If you have a favorite recipe to share or any questions, please contact Crista Hawkins, chawkins@odncouncil.org.

CNP Grant Updates

Noncompetitive Reimbursement Grant

- The Farm to CNP Reimbursement Grant is now listed under "The Office of the Director" in ODE's Electronic Grants Management System (EGMS). This is where you will find your 2021-2023 biennium awards.
- 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 now 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](#).
- Any questions can be sent to us at FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov.



Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)

- Please continue to submit claims to FarmtoCNP@ode.oregon.gov according to the SY 2021-2022 [FFVP timeline](#). August 2022 claims are due **Sunday, October 30, 2022**.
- October begins FFVP SY 22-23. Claims beginning October 1, will be a part of this school year.
- The mandatory annual FFVP training will be announced soon. This training will need to be completed before submitting your first claim for the 22-23 school year.



Education Grant

Awardees will be notified of their application status soon. Successful awardees must spend all of their funds by June 30, 2023. We are unable to approve any extensions.

Oregon Harvest for Schools

The Oregon Department of Education's Child Nutrition Program and OSU Extension's Food Hero campaign teamed up to launch the [Oregon Harvest for Schools video series](#) which currently includes a total of 47 videos.

The series aims to educate students on healthy, Oregon food. The list of videos available includes the following:

Apples | Asparagus | Beef | Beets | Blueberries | Broccoli | Brussels Sprouts | Cabbage | Cane Berries | Carrots | Cauliflower | Celery | Cherries | Corn | Cranberries | Cucumbers | Dry Beans | Eggs | Grapes | Kale | Kiwi | Leeks | Microgreens | Milk | Mushrooms | Onions | Parsnips | Peaches | Pears | Peas | Peppers | Potatoes | Radishes | Rhubarb | Salad Greens | Seafood | Spinach | Strawberries | String Beans | Summer Squash | Tomatoes | Turnips | Watermelon | Wheat | Winter Squash

We also have two Cultural Heritage Videos including African Heritage Flavors and Latinx Flavors.

These Oregon Harvest for Schools videos are part of [Food Hero's Cultural Toolkits](#).

The complete list of videos can be found on the [Oregon Harvest for Schools webpage](#).



Oregon Harvest for Schools posters are available free of charge to Oregon schools. The order form (which details the exact inventory of which posters are currently available) can be found on the [Oregon Harvest for Schools webpage](#).

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1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
2. Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
3. Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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