

Tell us your story!

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Seeking Interested School Garden Programs

For: Maricopa County School Garden Tour

Introduction

The Arizona Department of Education along with the University of Arizona's Cooperative Extension of Maricopa County, the Arizona Department of Health Services, and the Valley Permaculture Alliance invite successful school garden programs to host a stop on our Maricopa County School Garden Tour. This tour will feature existing school gardens in the valley, to inspire the creation of new school gardens, and connect schools with resources available to school garden programs within Maricopa County. Your school is invited to submit the story of your current garden program. Your program will be compared with other garden programs based on previous experience and indicated interest. Our goal is to reach 100 teachers, parents, or other community leaders on this self-guided tour. A total of 10 school gardens will be selected to participate in this project. The garden tour will occur within the first week of April 2013.

Accessing the Project Documents via web:

<http://www.azed.gov/health-nutrition/school-gardens/>

If you have trouble accessing the document please email ArizonaFarmtoSchool@azed.gov or call ADE at (602) 364-2282.

Tell us your story!

Please include the following information in your story:

- Funding sources used in the school garden programs
- Year(s) of operation
- Type of program (classroom education, after school garden club, community recreation, etc.)
- Who is involved in the school garden program
- Who is responsible for maintaining the school garden program and upkeep of the garden
- Seasons the garden is available to students (fall, winter, spring, summer)
- Specialties of the garden program (composting, rain water harvest, green house etc.)
- Describe the food safety practices, if any, that take place in this school garden program
- Describe the curriculum used, if any, with the school garden program

Timeline

Final submission deadline: February 1, 2013 at 5pm

Selected schools will be announced on: February 7, 2013

Send submission and/or questions to:

Arizona Farm to School Programs
Arizona Department of Education
1535 W. Jefferson St. Bin #7
Phoenix, AZ 85007
ArizonaFarmtoSchool@azed.gov

Disclaimer

Stories shared may be opened by the Arizona Department of Education any time after the submission deadline. All stories will be evaluated to establish which ten school sites will be selected to demonstrate the needs of this project. Please keep in mind that all stories submitted may not be selected as a host spot for this tour.

County Type District (CTD) Number: _____

Garden Manager Signature: _____

Principal Signature: _____

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