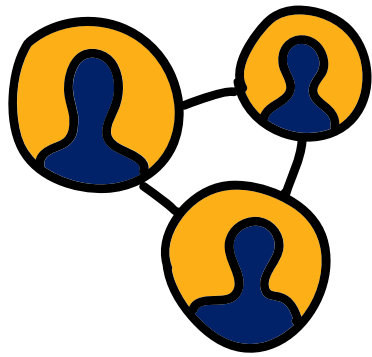


ARIZONA FARM TO SCHOOL NETWORK



Purpose

Established in 2019, ADE launched the Arizona Farm to School Network to support meal service operators, educators and producers build out farm to school/ECE programs across the state. For more information email: ArizonaFarmtoSchool@azed.gov

Major Farm to School/Early Care Activities

- BUYING LOCAL FOOD
- BUILDING SCHOOL/ECE GARDENS
- ENGAGEMENT IN FOOD EDUCATION



Annual Gathering



Annual gathering is designed to support stakeholders of farm to school/ECE work by holding an annual convening to share successes and challenges of implementation. It is an opportunity to connect with Network Leadership and peers across the state.

Regional Buyer-Supplier Business Meetings



Annual Buyer-Supplier Business meetings are designed to share best practices in local food procurement between vendors and meal service operators. This event is intended to help connect potential buyers with potential suppliers for USDA Child Nutrition Programs.

Farm Fresh Challenge

CACFP - SFSP/SSO- NSLP
MARCH JUNE OCTOBER



ADE hosts an annual recognition program called the Farm Fresh and Farm to Summer Challenge. This program is designed to encourage meal service operators to serve Arizona grown foods, teach about Arizona agriculture and to connect with their communities around their farm to school/ECE activities.