

Tying it All Together & Digging In

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Overview

- Tying it all together: What does a robust, comprehensive farm to school program look like?
- What are the benefits of a multi-faceted program?
- Local perspective: Milton Schools, VT
- Resources
- Questions and sharing!



A woman with glasses and a red hoodie is kneeling in a garden, talking to a group of children. One child is in a wheelchair. They are surrounded by green plants and a wire fence. The scene is outdoors and brightly lit.

**Poll: Do you
consider your
farm to school
program
comprehensive?**



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What is a comprehensive program?

One that's well planned and evaluated!

See Webinars:

Farm to School Planning and Building a Team

Setting Goals and Establishing an Evaluation Baseline

Evaluating Your Program

One that includes buying and serving local foods.

See webinars:

Finding and Buying Local Foods

Farm to School Menu Planning

Food Safety



What is a comprehensive program?

One that includes learning opportunities in many settings.

See Webinars:

School Gardening

Curriculum Integration

One that the community knows about and supports!

See webinars:

Promoting Your Farm to School Program

Program Sustainability



Benefits of Doing it All!

Multi-faceted programs tend to be more:

- **Institutionalized**
- **Sustainable**
- **Engaging**
- **Effective!**



Local Perspective: Milton Town School District, VT



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Values
we can
all live by...

- Integrity
- Perseverance
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Self-Control



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The Farm to School Toolkit!



NEW Farm to Summer Fact Sheet



United States Department of Agriculture

FARM TO SUMMER:

Why Summer Meal Programs are Ripe for Local Foods and Agriculture-Based Activities



SUMMER IS A TIME of agricultural abundance: plump stone fruits hang heavy on trees, juicy melons and tomatoes explode from their vines, beans begin to dry in their pods, and livestock fed on the most nutritious spring grasses



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More Resources

The National Farm to School Network



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