



How Growing Gardens supports Portland-area school garden programs

In addition to our in-depth partnerships at 12 schools, Growing Gardens serves as the regional education hub of the Oregon Farm to School and School Garden Network. In this capacity, we are able to extend support to school garden programs in the following ways:

Consultations (30 minutes): Arrange a time to talk to a Growing Gardens educator or program manager about anything school garden related! From teaching tips to job descriptions to sourcing questions, we're here to help. Send us an email with your questions or set up a time to talk.

Garden design (1 hr): Would you like to talk through your planting plan or garden design? Free garden design consultation for Portland-area school gardens (virtual or in person within half hour drive from our office [3114 SE 50th Ave, Portland]). We offer one per month, so the schedule may be several months out. If we receive a lot of interest from multiple schools, we prioritize Title 1 schools.

Training Growing Gardens teaches an online School Garden Coordinator Certificate Training in partnership with Oregon State University. Find [more information here](#).

Connections: To hear of announcements for school garden grants, job openings, regional gatherings, webinars, etc, we invite you to join any or all of these:

- Portland Farm and Garden Educators Network (local): Sign up [here](#)
- Oregon Farm to School and school Garden Network (state-wide): Sign up [here](#)
- School Garden Support Organizations Network (national): Sign up [here](#)

Curriculum: Our afterschool Garden Club curriculum is open source. Scroll down on [this page](#) along with links to other existing curriculum, like [FoodCorps](#) and [LifeLab](#).

Discounts & Resources:

Portland Nursery offers 20% discount cards to school gardens. Contact corinar@portlandnursery.com. If your school is on the east side, check out East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District for their monthly [grant](#) opportunity.

Seeds & Plants:

Growing Gardens is lucky to have business partners who donate seeds to stock our seed library. Please contact us for a time to stop by and pick up some seeds for your school gardens. Availability varies by season. We occasionally also have extra plants in the spring.

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