



SchoolFood
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2018-2019 Garden to Café Program APPLICATION

Garden to School Café is a program of NYC Department of Education, Grow NYC, NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets and NYC Parks & Recreation, Green Thumb. The program connects school gardens and school meals through lunchtime harvest events and educational activities. The purpose is to increase students' consumption of fresh vegetables and knowledge of healthful foods, farming and the local food system.

Program Eligibility

NYC public schools with active school gardens or gardening programs are eligible to participate. School gardens come in all shapes, sizes and locations. Gardening happens in classrooms, schoolyards, urban farms, community gardens and on school rooftops. The important component for garden to café is that students are growing foods.

Requirements:

- **An established vegetable and/or herb school garden, community garden or urban farm**
- A program in place for the children/youth to garden regularly
- Liability insurance for community gardens or urban farms
- Safe soil – Soil has been tested for heavy metals and is safe **or** students are growing in soil that has been brought into the garden from a source known to be safe
- Principal approval
- Coordinating team that includes at minimum a school site garden lead (most often a teacher), SchoolFood Food Service Manager, and community garden and farm lead where applicable

Submission process:

Applications can be submitted at any time. Schools are accepted on a rolling basis based on need, school site readiness and SchoolFood's resources.

- *email* applications to gedwards4@schools.nyc.gov
or *regular mail*: 44-36 Vernon Blvd., Room 407, Long Island City, N.Y. 11101

Please provide the following information:

School/Organization _____

Contact Person _____ Title _____

Phone _____ [Fax _____]

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Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School/Organization Web site _____

