

How can you contribute to

Your child's community or school garden?



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# Building a Healthier Community one Seed at a Time



# Benefits of Starting a Garden

# We know why, but what about the how?

## Students will:

- 1. Learn the importance of unprocessed & homegrown foods
- 2. form connections between other topics and the garden,
- 3. making these topics easier for them to understand
- 4. expand their food preference horizons

#### ALSO...

Children are much more likely to taste a vegetable they have grown.

There's no time or resources for nutrition in most school districts!

luckily a<mark>nyone can garden at any ti</mark>me, make it a fun family event!

You want kids involved from the start!!!

# Steps to a garden:

What's your vision?

#### Container vs. more permanent





## Cost of supplies

#### Soil:

- If you can haul it yourself, dirt may be available for free from construction or excavation companies
- One cubic yard of topsoil usually around \$50 (\$50 for a 5x5 garden)

Tools/Containers:

- Estimation of about \$30 for a basic set of tools

#### Seeds:

- \$5-\$10 per packet of seeds

# Find a spot!

-This can include a spot in, around, or near the school

# Build your garden!

-Start planting with the students. Maybe assign group of students to be in charge of a specific plant.

# Maintain the garden!

-This teaches students responsibility

