## Oregon Department of Education logo on the top left featuring the state of Oregon in blue with a black graduation cap on top with the Farm to Child Nutrition Programs logo in the top right featuring a golden yellow pear with a green leaf.

## Letter to Students & Families

*Use this letter to help build awareness and understanding about your school’s farm to school program. Let students, parents and families know how they can support these efforts and where to go for more information.*

Dear Staff and Families of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School,

We want to share some exciting news!

In INSERT date our school district initiated its first school garden at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ school. Since then INSERT local details about program growth, student participation, etc.

School gardens make a huge difference!

We’ve noticed students who participate in this program are:

* More likely to stay engaged and connected with school
* Building connections with their classmates

As members of the school community, we want to invite you [INSERT local event information] to take a tour of our school garden and learn more about how it helps students learn.

You can find more information on our webpage at [Insert local details]. The best person to contact should you have questions is: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_