



## FARM-TO-SCHOOL NETWORK Membership Benefits

Green Mountain Farm-to-School, through its Farm-to-School Network, provides Vermont schools with on-going coordination of farm-to-school activities that build relationships between schools, farms, and communities.

**Our comprehensive services are designed to provide:**

- Fresh food for cafeterias
- Support for local farms
- Educational programs for students
- Activities for building community

Over the course of the 2008-2009 academic year, the Farm-to-School Network Coordinator will provide member schools with the following services:

### **Services for Food Service Staff:**

- Weekly in-school support and coordination for local purchasing
- Monthly availability sheets listing local food products
- Monthly local food taste tests (Approx. 8)
- Facilitate Grow-A-Row Program
- Provide local food tracking tools
- Provide Local Farm Directory and Farm-to-School Cookbook

### **Services for Teachers:**

- Lead In-class, hands-on nutrition and agriculture workshops
- Farm field trip planning and activities
- Coordinate letter writing to farms (Farmer Correspondence Course)
- School garden activities
- Support School composting projects

### **Services for School Communities:**

- Facilitate Farm-to-School Advisory Team monthly meeting
- Plan Fall Harvest Festival Event
- Plan Spring Garden Dedication Ceremony
- Produce Farm-to-School calendars
- Produce Annual Farm-to-School Progress Report



PROGRAMS TO CONNECT SCHOOLS & FARMS THROUGH FOOD & EDUCATION

**Green Mountain Farm-to-School  
Farm-to-School Program Budget, 2008-2009**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Labor	Program Coordination: 15 hrs per month @ \$18/hr August - May	2700
Supplies	Food and consumables for in-class workshops	150
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	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,000</b>