



FARM TO EVERYTHING!

A Quarterly Newsletter from the NJDA Farm to School Team

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2017 Farm to Everything Wrap-Up

We've decided to make this newsletter into a quarterly, and publish online in March (spring), June (summer), September (fall) and December (winter).

We'll continue to provide links to resources both in and outside of New Jersey and to highlight trainings, webinars, funding opportunities and best practices for all things Farm to School.

Please help us share this

information with your colleagues. Point them in the direction of this newsletter so that they can utilize the information on these pages and connect to our social media links.

Happy Holidays to all, from the NJDA Farm to School Program.

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2017 Farm to School Week Highlights

The New Jersey Department of Agriculture celebrated [Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week](#), September 25-29th, with a visit to [Ethel A. Jacobsen Elementary School](#) on Long Beach Island to present the "[Best in New Jersey Farm to School Award](#)" during the visit.

Other highlights from the week included visits to Essex County Vo-Tech High School in West Caldwell and a visit to Lafayette Elementary and [Chatham High School in Chatham](#) as well as the kick off of NJDA's Jersey Tastes! Campaign at [A.T. Buzby Farm](#) in

Pilesgrove.

Next year's Farm to School Week will take place September 24-28, 2018. It's never too early to start planning!



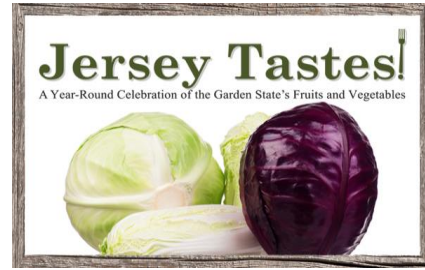
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Growing, Cooking, Serving



FARM TO SCHOOL:

[Cabbage](#) in December, [frozen blueberries](#) in January and [sweet potatoes](#) in February are the Garden State produce we're celebrating with Jersey Tastes! this winter. These downloadable resources can be used in classroom and cafeteria alike. Click [here](#) to download and start tasting!



FARM TO SUMMER:

The USDA Farm to School "Incorporating Local Foods" webinar for SFSP meals is a great resource if you're starting to plan for your 2018 Summer Meals program.

Click [here](#) to learn more and create menus offering foods grown on New Jersey farms.



FARM TO PRESCHOOL:

In 2018, the New Jersey Department of Health is hosting a series of regional trainings for CACFP providers that address Farm to Preschool tools, procurement and technical assistance.

More information about the *Healthy Eating Farm to Preschool* trainings can be found at the [Grow NJ Kids](#) website.



We want to hear from you!

Tell us what you did during **Jersey Fresh Farm to School Week** and if you're celebrating **Jersey Tastes!** with local produce tastings!

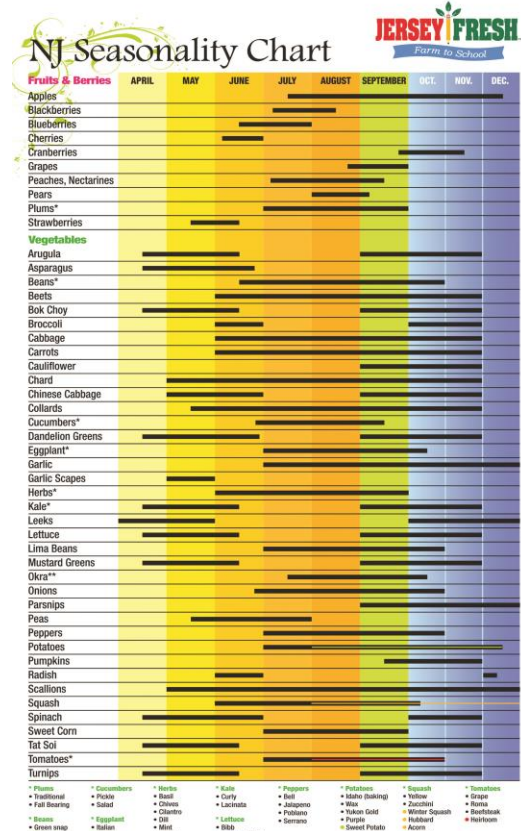
Send an email to newjerseyf2s@ag.state.nj.us or call us at 609-292-8747 so we can highlight your events featuring local procurement, gardens and nutrition education with local produce on social media.

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