



## <u>CREST</u>

Center for Research in Environmental Science and Technologies

## West Linn-Wilsonville

**School Garden Program** 





#### Who we serve

We provide science and research support to all 16 WLWV schools

#### **Primary Schools**

- Boeckman Creek
- Bolton
- **Boones**
- Cedaroak
- Lowrie
- Stafford
- Sunset 0
- Trillium 0
- Willamette

#### Middle Schools

- Athey Creek
- Inza R Wood
- Meridian Creek
- Rosemont

#### **High Schools**

- West Linn High School
- Wilsonville High School Riverside High School

## My Position

- School Garden Coordinator for Primary Schools
  - Support from parents
  - Support from facilities (repairs, building new construction etc)
  - Support from groundskeeping (irrigation, debris removal etc)
  - Support from operations (safety and security of space, planning with the bond team etc)
  - Planning with teacher teams and principals
  - Donations and Volunteers
- Current Programming Focus
  - K
  - 0 1
  - 0 2
  - Adding on more grades each year

### Kindergarten

- We are Garden Scientists
- We investigate Weather
- We explore Life Underground
- We explore life above ground
- We share the garden with others

Late April through May

























- Scavenger hunts
- Tool safety
- Connections to literacy in the classroom
- Weather
- Underground Critters
- Setting the tone for the next year

#### 1st Grade

- Garden as a System
- How a Garden Supports Living Things
- Sharing the Ecosystem
- Using Ideas from Nature to Solve our Problems
- Putting it All Together

Early March-Mid April















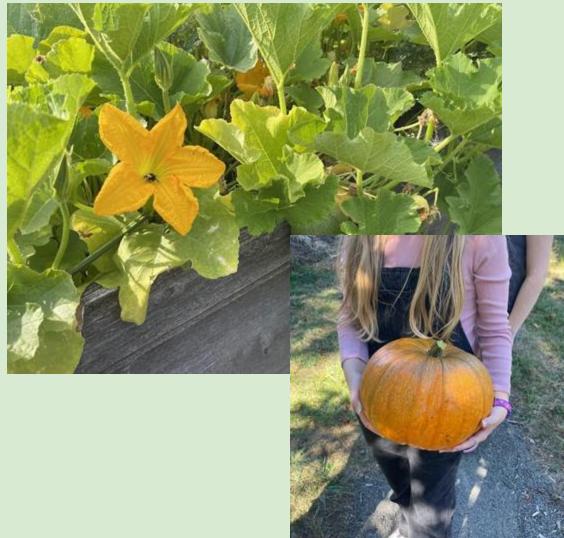
#### 2nd Grade

- What is a garden?
- Who lives in the garden?
- Pollinator and pumpkin connection
- Plant and flower parts and their roles in pollination
- Modeling Pollination

End of September-Early November

















### **Projects continuing this year...**

- Fresh Food Tasting Program
- Districtwide CRUNCH event for National Farm to School Month.
- Native Plantings
- Pollinator Garden Installations
- Modifying Gardens for Wheelchair Accessibility
- Updating Gardens/Making Repairs

## How you can help!

- School mini grants
  - Targeted Donations
  - Fred Meyer
  - Seeds/Tools
- Service time
- Coaching/Advice/Knowledge
  - Pruning Workshop
  - Perennial Care

# Questions?