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# SCHOOL COMPOSTING PILOT PROGRAM

Project Update



# PROGRAM PURPOSE

The purpose of this program is to help schools reduce food waste by teaching students how to repurpose trash-bound scraps.

- ✓ Use compost in school's edible garden
- ✓ Enhance garden's lifecycle
- ✓ Valuable experiential knowledge
- ✓ Cultivate an appreciation for environmental stewardship
- ✓ Improve soil quality by increasing nutrient retention



# SCHOOLS INCLUDED IN THE PILOT PROGRAM



Aldrin Elementary

Wakefield Forest Elementary

Graham Road Elementary

Canterbury Woods Elementary



West Potomac High




**RIGHT NOW**



**Schedule**

Schools are connecting with Compost Crew to schedule their educational sessions.





25 Lidded Food Scrap Collection Bins



3 Composting Tumblers



3 Pairs of Gardening Gloves



5 Large Leaf Bags



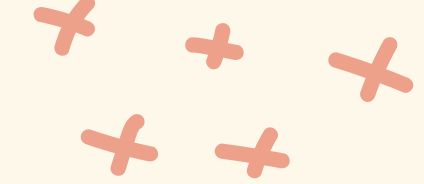
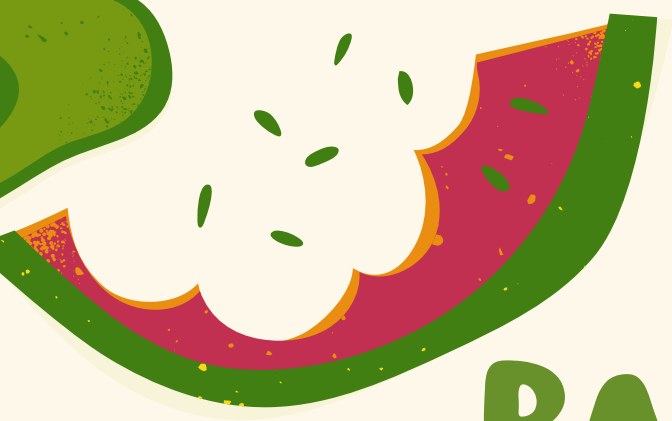
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# WHAT DO THE SCHOOLS GET?

Our budget allows us to send these materials to 5 schools!





# PARTNERSHIPS THAT MAKE THIS PROGRAM POSSIBLE

Thanks to grant funds from the Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth, the Fairfax Food Council has funds to initiate this program and expand it over the next 2 years!

Get 2 Green helped the Food Council develop and share the program application!

Plus, Compost Crew will serve as educational resources for the schools!



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