



Farm to School Activities and Outcomes

Farm to school participation in **New Jersey**

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Nationally

79% 74% of SFAs did at least one farm to school activity

These SFAs included 1,259 schools and 658,832 students



Farm to school activity participation among SFAs



Serving local foods

62%

Food sourcina and procurement

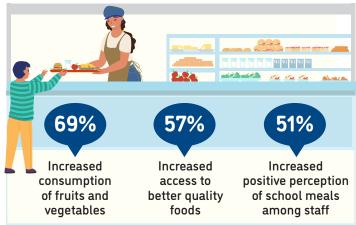


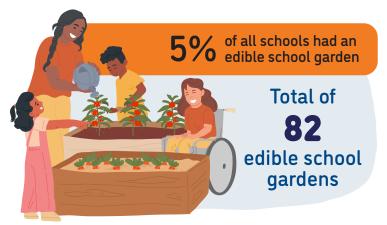
Agricultural education and gardens



Local foods promotion

Positive outcomes of SFAs from farm to school participation







Local items that SFAs spent the most on











For more information on the Farm to School Census, visit: https://farmtoschoolcensus.fns.usda.gov/

New Jersey Farm to School Environment

In total, SFAs spent

\$29 million

on all local food

\$11 million

on local fluid milk alone

Among SFAs doing farm to school,
15% of their spending was on local foods

Challenges farm to school SFAs faced when procuring local foods



Limited availability of local foods



Local foods are more expensive



Local foods not available from primary vendors



How SFAs fund farm to school

13% 10% 20% 20% 11%



No supplemental funding for farm to school School or district funding USDA Farm to School Grants

Other federal funding sources

State government grants Farm to school SFAs with at least one full or part-time staff who used some of their time for farm to school

79%



Farm to school SFAs with at least one full-time staff dedicated to farm to school

46%



Road Ahead

SFAs that don't participate in farm to school would like

24%



More funding for SFAs in general

16%



More support from teachers and administrators

13%



Training/technical assistance on finding local foods