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Project title

Growing Our Own Food: A Classroom Farm

Project essay

My students are going to grow food, real food, right here in our classroom. With a Boston Youth Farm Project grow lab, they will plant, tend and harvest their own microgreens over four weeks, then taste what they grew, while learning plant science, where food comes from, and why nutrition matters.

The grow lab includes the rack and lights, and seeds and medium for up to 84 students, and the BYFP team sets it up in our classroom in person. The standards-aligned curriculum is free and already available, so this funding goes entirely to the growing system. It has been used in Boston Public Schools classrooms just like mine.

There is nothing like watching a student who "doesn't like vegetables" go back for a third helping of something they grew themselves. Thank you for helping my students discover the joy and science of growing their own food.

Special Request vendor details

Vendor: Boston Youth Farm Project · [website] · oliver@bostonyfp.org · Item: Classroom Grow Lab (complete kit, serves 84 students, includes in-person setup) · \$1,000

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