

FARM TO SCHOOL

Farm to School enriches the connection schools have with fresh, healthy food and local producers by changing food purchasing and education practices at schools.

Students gain access to healthy, local foods as well as education opportunities such as school gardens, cooking lessons and farm field-trips. Farm to School empowers children while strengthening the local food economy.

At Colonial we are fortunate to have our own farm giving real world experiences to students on the farm while producing produce for the district and community!



Located adjacent to William Penn High School, Historic Penn Farm, a Trustees of the New Castle Commons property, encompasses 107 acres that has been a tenant farm since its inception in the late 1700's.

The close proximity of such a historic piece of land has allowed for a connection to develop between the high school, the community and an opportunity to link current curriculum to hands-on learning.

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**CONNECTING STUDENTS
TO AGRICULTURE**

**COMMUNITY SUPPORTED
AGRICULTURE PROGRAM**

FARMERS MARKETS

Farmstand at Penn Farm

Tuesdays: 12-5
June 24 - Sept 23



HELPING KIDS GROW



WHAT IS COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a popular way for consumers to buy local seasonal food directly from a farmer.

A farmer decides on the number of shares he will make available to the public. Consumers then purchase these shares and in return they are given a percentage of seasonal produce for the set time-frame. Depending on the farm there may be more than one type of share available.

Advantages for the Farmer & Consumer

- Early marketing of product
- Receive payment early
- In person interaction with the people eating his product

Consumer:

- Eat ultra-fresh, flavorful, local produce
- Exposed to new, great tasting vegetables
- Develop a rapport with the farmer who is growing for them.

PENN FARM'S CSA PROGRAM

The CSA at Penn Farm runs for **14 weeks, June 24 - September 23.**

A share will provide vegetables for a family of 4 each week.

Cost: \$350 for 14 weeks of produce

Pickup Location:
Farmstand at Penn Farm
791 Frenchtown Rd. E.
New Castle, DE 19720

Check made out to Penn Farm sent to
William Penn High School
c/o Penn Farm
713 E Basin Road
New Castle, DE 19720

To Join and more information:
www.colonialschooldistrict.org/pennfarm/csa

WHAT WE GROW



Availability varies seasonally
(everything grown not listed)

Broccoli Chard Herbs Lettuce Potatoes
Tomatoes Cabbage Cucumber Kale Onions
Radishes Turnips Cantaloupe Green Beans
Peas Spinach Watermelon Swiss Chard Carrots
Greens Kohlrabi Peppers Squash Beets



HOW WE GROW

All produce is grown from non-GMO seed. We grow naturally and only use organic fungicides and insecticides when needed. We use many practices to make our vegetables better for the environment and healthier for you.

Common Practices Used

Crop rotation, Cover cropping, High diversity, and Integrated pest management

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

The William Penn FFA Chapter creates amazing experiences for students at the high school level. While involved in the agricultural experience at William Penn High School, each student has the opportunity to join the FFA program.

The opportunities presented by the FFA are unbelievable and cannot be compared to any other. Our FFA program is different because students get hands on learning and training at their very own farm, while learning about the "agriculture side" of themselves.