

# Seeding our Future

## YOUTH REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS | DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2022



#### **Conference Overview**

This May 2022, Massachusetts Farm to School will host our 6th statewide gathering, the MA Farm & Sea to School Conference, and we want to amplify your voices and learn from your activism! This year's conference theme is "Seeding the Future," and it will highlight how young people are fighting for climate sustainability and food justice, and taking leadership roles in the farm and sea to school movement.

This year, we are shifting from our previous format (day-long, in-person) to a hybrid format. The week-long event will feature virtual workshops, panel discussions, and facilitated youth networking as well as in-person regional field trips (over the weekend)! Unless they are field trip based, all virtual workshops will take place during school hours.

### **Conference Proposals**

### General criteria for proposals:

- Proposals should relate to the theme of this year's conference: Seeding the Future.
- Workshops should highlight the work that youth are doing around farm and sea to school and food and climate justice.
- Workshop sessions can range from 45-75 minutes.
- You may submit a proposal for a virtual workshop, in-person field trip, or a two part workshop that includes both a virtual segment and a related field trip.
- Your application should include an adult "supervisor" as a contact person.

#### Under the conference theme, topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- · Youth activism and engagement in farm and sea to school
- Farm to school curriculum and classroom experiences
- · Climate and environmental justice
- Racial equity and social justice in the food system
- · Food justice, access and security

#### **Submission Information**

If you are unable to submit your proposal <u>online</u>: https://bit.ly/MAConf-YouthRFP-2022

Please mail this form by **March 1, 2022** to: Mass. Farm to School PO Box 213 Beverly, MA 01915

#### **Questions?**

For questions on your workshop submission, please contact Lisa Damon at 413.253.3844 or lisa@massfarmtoschool.org.

### **2022 Workshop Application Form**

Workshop Title

### Workshop/Field Trip Description

Please include a description of the topics to be covered and 2-3 learning outcomes describing how participants will benefit from this session and what tools, skills, or message(s) participants will "take home." For field trips, please include capacity & location details. Feel free to use additional pages if needed.

### Workshop Abstract

50 word maximum. If selected, this 50 word description will appear in the conference program

### Conference Theme

How do you think your workshop relates to the conference theme of "Seeding the Future"?

### Workshop Format

Virtual Field Trip

2-Part: Virtual & Field Trip

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Name

Affiliation (if any, i.e. organization/school/company)

**Email Address** 

Brief Biography (50 words max.)

### Demographics

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Which racial or ethnic identity do you claim? (Please check all that apply.) Age:

Black or African American Native American

Hispanic or Latino White or Caucasian

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander I prefer not to say at this time.

Asian Other:

Location

Barnstable Dukes Hampden Nantucket Suffolk Outside of MA, please write-in Berkshire Essex Hampshire Norfolk Worcester City, State

Bristol Franklin Middlesex Plymouth

Is there anything else you'd like to share about yourself that contributes to your unique farm to school perspective?

### Teacher or Staff Contact

Please include the contact information for the teacher (or staff member at an outside-school organization) who will be working with you.

Name Affiliation (if any, i.e. organization/school/company)

Email Address Phone Number

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### Additional Presenters

Do you have more than three presenters? If so, enter their names, email addresses, and organizational affiliations.

Name (Presenter #4)
Affiliation (if any, i.e. organization/school/company)
Email Address
Name (Presenter #5)
Affiliation (if any, i.e. organization/school/company)
Email Address
Name (Presenter #6)
Affiliation (if any, i.e. organization/school/company)
Email Address