Students // Best Practices for Garden Food Safety



Do you know who's in charge in the School Garden?

Make sure that you can identify the Garden Coordinator or staff member leading the garden time and follow their directions at all times.

Do you know who's in charge in the Kitchen/Cafeteria?

If you will be dropping food off in the kitchen, make sure you can identify the Kitchen Manager or Cook. They are in charge of the kitchen and all students must follow their direction in order to keep students and food safe.

Have you washed your hands?

You MUST properly wash your hands before harvesting produce thoroughly with soap and warm water. Rewash your hands after breaks, visiting restrooms, sneezing, coughing, or anytime your hands become contaminated.

Do you have the right footwear on?

Flip-flops or bare feet can be dangerous in a garden, as well as unsanitary. Closed-toed shoes should be worn in the garden.

Want to try food that's growing in our garden?

Please ask the Garden Coordinator or Supervisor before picking and/or eating anything in the garden.

Ready to use the garden tools?

The adult in charge will supervise any use of tools. Only use the tools for their intended use. Do not lift long-handled tools above waist height.

Are there raised beds in the garden?

If so, please do not stand on edges or in the garden beds.

Questions?

Please ask!