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## Growing Schools Pilot Project



- Teams of 4-5 for each school
- LifeCycles provides training on workshop delivery
- Organic gardening skills training offered throughout the year
- LifeCycles provides each teacher with 10 garden-centered lesson plans, as well as additional activities and resources.

## Partnership with City Harvest

- City Harvest will run a working farm on school land
- LifeCycles will support the school in using the space for educational activities

# Our Big Question



What should Growing Schools focus on to inspire the Organic Farmers of the future?

- .putting farms on school properties?
- .developing and delivering interactive workshops?
- .training school communities to run their own programs?
- .making curriculum and activities easily accessible to schools?
- .acting as “School Garden Librarians” to provide teachers with activities/expertise?

# Focus Group Questions



- 1: Why is farm education important to you?
- 2: Describe your ideal early childhood/youth farm education program
- 3: What topics in farm education are the most important, and how would you teach them?
- 4: What barriers to farm education do you see? Can you think of any strategies to overcome these barriers?

