



2023-2024 EVENT CALENDAR

Massachusetts Farm to School is pleased to share a series of FREE professional development events for educators, school nutrition staff, and advocates throughout the year. Each event has a cafeteria or classroom designation, but all events are open to everyone.

SEPTEMBER

- 20th** | School Garden Food Safety (*Cafeteria*)
- 25th** | Storytelling: Sharing Your Local Purchasing Story during Farm to School Month (*Cafeteria*)

OCTOBER

- 4th** | Composting Kitchen Scraps (*Cafeteria*)
- 11th** | Sourcing local & complying with federal & state regulations (*Cafeteria*)
- 12th** | Farm to School Legislative Briefing (*Advocacy*)
- 25th** | Early Childhood: Cooking in the Classroom (*Classroom*)

NOVEMBER

- 1st** | Minimally Processed: What Does It Mean? (*Cafeteria*)
- 8th** | Culturally Relevant Meals in the Cafeteria (*Cafeteria*)
- 29th** | Early Childhood: Mini-Mobile Farmers Markets (*Classroom*)

DECEMBER

- 5th** | The Tasting History Project (*Classroom*)
- 6th** | Procurement: Fresh & Frozen Produce (*Cafeteria*)
- 13th** | Student Voice, Student Choice (*Cafeteria*)

JANUARY

- 10th** | Social Emotional Learning In the School Garden (*Classroom*)
- 10th** | Procurement: Meat, Seafood, & Dairy (*Cafeteria*)
- 17th** | Sensory Garden Design for Schools (*Classroom*)

FEBRUARY

- 7th** | Farm to PreK: Gardens that Engage Young Children (*Classroom*)
- 7th** | Spring Menu Planning: Utilizing Local Produce & School Garden Harvests (*Cafeteria*)
- 14th** | Budgeting for Local in the Next School Year (*Cafeteria*)

MARCH

- 6th** | Hydroponics for the Classroom Teacher (*Classroom*)
- 13th** | Worms: Vermicomposting in the Classroom (*Classroom*)
- 20th** | Indoor Gardening Activities for Any Classroom (*Classroom*)
- 22nd** | Massachusetts Farm & Sea to School Conference

MAY

- 1st** | School Garden Management in the Summer! (*Classroom*)