



School Garden Summer Tours

Maine School Garden Network

The summer garden tours are a chance to unwind and relax with fellow school garden coordinators, teachers and volunteers. Each new location offers a chance to see school gardens in full bloom, learn different growing tips, techniques and exchange ideas. Most tours conclude with a pot luck meal. *If you would like to host a school garden tour and be added to the schedule, please contact: rachel@msgn.org*

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JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
Damariscotta Montessori 6/8	Mt Ahart HS 7/27	Old Town Elementary 8/16

2023 School Garden Summer Tours Schedule

June

Lincoln County

School garden tour at Damariscotta Montessori. The tour will focus on the greenhouse production along with the natural spaces students learn in. Students at Damariscotta Montessori take on the responsibility for growing produce in hoop houses, harvesting, packaging, and distributing vegetables via a CSA program. This allows them to have hands-on experience in a natural setting, while gaining important business and financial skills. Samantha Melhorm, head teacher of the Middle School, will be leading the tour which will be followed by a potluck.

- Date: Thursday June 8th at 4:00 pm
- To RSVP and receive directions please email: rachel@msgn.org

July

Sagadahoc County

School garden tour at Mt. Ahart High School. Project G.R.O.W's primary educational beneficiaries are high school students, ages 14-18. They are in charge of the garden creation, management, and related studies. There is a health class that will be incorporating the garden work into their curriculum and other students learn how to produce food for our own school food service. Mt Ahart has a large plot that grows vegetables, herbs and flowers. School garden coordinators, Darcy Bagget and Rebecca Norklun, will be leading a tour of the grounds, how they use the spaces will students and will host a potluck.

- Date: Thursday July 27th at 3:30 PM
- To RSVP and receive directions please email: rachel@msgn.org

August

Penobscot County

School garden tour at Old Town Elementary. Extensive school garden includes raised beds, a greenhouse, fruit trees, trail systems and forest classrooms. There are unique features in the garden such as a pollinator and a potato project as well as beautiful art work done by students throughout the grounds. Project leaders support students learning and exploring the space as well as a weekly harvest distribution in the summer free to the community. Garden coordinators will lead a tour, discuss how the community uses the space and will host a potluck.

- Date: Wednesday Aug 16th at 3:00 PM
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