

Youth learning skills for a more sustainable world




The Laurel Valley Educational Farm is a 2 acre organic farm located on the Northwest Youth Corps campus on Augusta St. in Eugene. The farm serves as the basis for sustainable natural resource education for youth participating in Northwest Youth Corps programs throughout the year.

In the winter and spring students in the **OutDoor High School**, working with staff and AmeriCorps members, prepare the garden, make compost and work on garden construction projects. In the new grow room and greenhouse students plant seeds, transplant seedlings while learning lessons on soils, water, ecology, botany and biology.

In the summer 11-14 year olds participating the **YouthWorks** program and ODS interns work with AmeriCorps members to maintain the garden. Planting, watering, pruning, harvesting, weeding, weeding and weeding some more. Students receive lessons in organic gardening techniques, soils, plant & insect id while earning money and making friends.

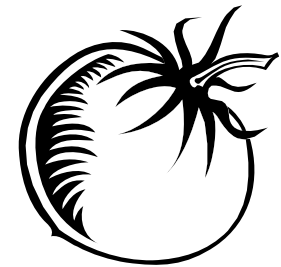
YouthWorks kids also staff the Farm Stand on Wednesday afternoons and learn valuable lessons in customer service, and how to prepare and present produce for sale. Some of the produce from the garden is sold at the Lane Co. Farmers Market in the consignment booth. Excess produce is donated to Food for Lane Co. YouthWorks participants are also encouraged to enjoy the fruits of their labor, by making themselves salads for lunch and learning how to make pesto and salsa.

In addition, produce from the garden goes out into the field to feed the hungry 14-19 year old **Northwest Youth Corps** crews working on conservation projects in Oregon, Washington, California and Idaho.



In the fall ODS students return to take over the garden chores, hauling soil amendments, planting garlic and harvesting produce. Much of the fall and winter produce is used to prepare lunches for ODS students and staff and is used in the Culinary Arts Class. Fresh produce is also used for preparation of our Annual Open House and the Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser.

This spring the LVEF will once again offer CSA shares of our garden!



For more information about the Laurel Valley Education Farm contact Farm Coordinator Angela Andre at (541) 349-5055 or cell phone (541) 510-8888 angela@nwyouthcorps.org



Some of the
scrumptious
organic goodness
we produce....

- ◆ Sugar Snap Peas
- ◆ Lettuce Mix
- ◆ Heirloom Tomatoes
- ◆ Peppers
- ◆ Winter Squash
- ◆ Summer Squash and Melons
- ◆ Potatoes
- ◆ Strawberries and Raspberries
- ◆ Carrots, Beets, Leeks
- ◆ Cabbages and Hardy Greens
- ◆ Cucumbers
- ◆ Garlic
- ◆ Basil and assorted Herbs
- ◆ Onions
- ◆ Beans
- ◆ And much more!



Join us for these LVEF programs and events

Community Supported Agriculture

This year the LVEF will once again be offering
CSA shares of our garden.

The shares will cost \$270.00 each and run from
May 14 until Oct 15. Pick-up will be Wednesday
afternoons. Each box of scrumptious goodies will
contain about 15 lbs of fresh organic seasonal
produce. Tomatoes and melons and basil OH MY!

The Farm Stand

Will be open on Wednesdays from noon to 6 PM
- June 1 through mid-October.

We will be offering U-Picks of beans and
tomatoes near the end of season. We will also
offer custom boxes, call in your order and we will
custom pick for you!

12 Community Garden Plots

Plots are 10' x 10' at a cost of 20.00.

Come be part of the growing fun!

Gardening Workshop March 4th

LVEF will sponsor our first garden workshop
"Plant propagation-Make more of me and spread
me out as far as I can go"

Learn how to plant seeds, make cuttings, create
soil mixes and more.

Cost \$5. 10 AM - 2 PM.

Plant Sale May 3rd

During the Laurel Hill Creek Restoration Day
we will be holding a plant sale. Come check out
our heirloom tomatoes and peppers!

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