AGENDA

COMMUNITY FOOD SYSTEMS + FARM TO SCHOOL & EARLY CARE CONFERENCE | JUNE 15-17, 2023

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THURSDAY | JUNE 15
COMMUNITY FOOD SYSTEMS

7:00 AM  YOGA IN CENTENNIAL PARK (OPTIONAL)

8:00 AM  REGISTRATION + BREAKFAST

9:30 AM  WELCOME + MORNING PLENARY

PANEL ON FOOD SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT ACROSS IOWA
Aubrey Alvarez, Director, Eat Greater Des Moines
Giselle Bruskewitz, Program Director, Iowa Valley RC&D
Jan Libbey, Coordinator, Iowa Food Systems Coalition

10:45 AM  MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS

INCREASING ACCESS TO LAND AND NUTRIENT-DENSE FOOD IN OUR COMMUNITY
Kit Kirby, Program Director, Feed Iowa First

AN INTRODUCTION TO MARKETMAKER
Jo Pisel, MarketMaker

IMPERFECTO Y EFECTIVO: MULTILINGUAL SOLUTIONS IN COORDINATING CROSS-CULTURAL GARDEN ACTIVITIES
Lindsey Mabe, 8th & College Connections

11:45 AM  LUNCH + EXHIBITORS

1:00 PM  AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS A

NOURISHING OUR COMMUNITIES THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS
Laura Kloewer; Jamie Werges; and Katie Sapp, Montgomery County Memorial Hospital

UNLEASHING THE POWER OF DATA: A BEGINNER’S GUIDE TO UNDERSTANDING AND UTILIZING DATA IN COMMUNITY FOOD SYSTEMS
Rakesh Shah, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach

READY, SET, GROW: EXPLORING THE IOWA FOOD SYSTEM PLAN | PART 1
Jan Libbey, Iowa Food System Coalition; Jodie Huegerich, University of Northern Iowa

2:00 PM  AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS B

READY, SET, GROW: EXPLORING THE IOWA FOOD SYSTEM PLAN | PART 2
Jan Libbey, Iowa Food Systems Coalition  Shaffer Ridgeway, Southern Goods LLC
Jodie Huegerich, University of Northern Iowa  Becca Huber, Northeast Iowa Food Bank

USING VOLUNTEERS TO GROW PRODUCE TO DONATE
Tracy Blackmer, Gardening for Good

USING DATA AND STORIES FOR SYSTEMS-LEVEL ADVOCACY
Luke Elzinga & Tara Kramer, Des Moines Area Religious Council

FARM TO SCHOOL AND EARLY CARE PROGRAM
Chelsea Krist & Krista Smith, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach

3:00 PM  AFTERNOON PLENARY + CLOSING REMARKS

USDA INVESTMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES IN LOCAL AND REGIONAL FOOD SYSTEMS
Lacy Stephens, Agricultural Marketing Specialist, USDA Agricultural Marketing Service

4:00 PM  ADJOURN + NETWORKING AT GASTRO GRUB & PUB
**FRIDAY | JUNE 16**  
**FARM TOURS, FIELD TRIPS & LOCAL FOODS RECEPTION**

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| 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM | DINNER + NETWORKING  
 | GOLDEN ROOT AWARD  
 | IOWA FOOD SYSTEM PLAN PRESENTATION |
| 7:30 AM - 8:00 PM | **FRIDAY, FULL-DAY**  
 | SITE VISITS + LOCAL FOODS RECEPTION |
| 7:00 AM    | BREAKFAST ON OWN                                                      |
| 7:30 AM    | REGISTRATION                                                         |
|            | Waukee High School  
 | 555 SE University Ave. Waukee, IA 50263 |
| 10:00 AM   | BUSES DEPART                                                          |
| 10:30 AM   | HILLIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL                                             |
| 12:30 PM   | LUNCH                                                                 |
| 2:00 PM    | DOGPATCH URBAN GARDENS                                                |
| 4:00 PM    | GRADE A GARDENS                                                       |
|            | FARM TOUR  
 | VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY                                                   |
| 5:00 PM    | **LOCAL FOODS RECEPTION**                                             |
|            | Grade A Gardens  
 | 34802 I Ave. Earlham, IA 50072 |
| 5:30 PM    | DINNER + NETWORKING                                                   |
| 6:00 PM    | GOLDEN ROOT AWARD                                                     |
| 6:30 PM    | IOWA FOOD SYSTEM PLAN PRESENTATION                                    |
|            | Jan Libbey, Iowa Food System Coalition                                |
| 7:00 PM    | NETWORKING                                                            |
| 7:30 PM    | BUSES DEPART                                                          |
| 8:00 PM    | DROP OFF                                                              |
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7:00 AM  YOGA IN CENTENNIAL PARK 🌿 (OPTIONAL)
8:00 AM  REGISTRATION + BREAKFAST
9:00 AM  WELCOME + MORNING PLENARY
OELWEIN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Barb Fogarty, Family and Student Services Director, Oelwein Community Schools

10:15 AM  MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS A
BRINGING THE GROWERS OF FOOD TO GROWING STUDENTS
Michelle Kenyon, Field to Family; Scott Koepke, Garden Bridge Outreach

GROWING DEEP ROOTS FOR A FLOURISHING FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM
Kaitlyn Scheuermann and Ali Locker, Waukee Community School District

AQUAPONICS S.T.E.A.M.
Robin Smith, FoodCorps; Tammy Ryan, Waterloo Community Schools

FARM TO SCHOOL INITIATIVE IN SOUTHWEST IOWA
Jan Libbey, Iowa Food Systems Coalition
Cait Caughey, Center for Rural Affairs
Jodie Huegerich, University of Northern Iowa

11:30 AM  MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS B
TAKING LITERACY OUTSIDE
Veronica Armstrong, Loving Arms Kids Care

SUPPORTING LEADERSHIP AND SUSTAINABILITY: THE IOWA FARM TO EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION LEARNING COLLABORATIVE
Krista Smith, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach

HANDS-ON GARDENING CURRICULUM ACTIVITY
Cait Caughey, Center for Rural Affairs

COMMUNITY FOOD SYSTEMS PROGRAM
Courtney Long, Kaley Hohenshell, Bre Miller & Megan Kemp; Iowa State University Extension

THE PENNSYLVANIA FARM TO SCHOOL INSTITUTE
Samantha Hughes, The Food Trust

12:30 PM  LUNCH + EXHIBITORS

1:30 PM  AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS
EGGSPLORATION: A STUDY APPROACH TO CULINARY EXPERIENCES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN
Elizabeth Miner, Little Tigers Clubhouse Gilbert

COMMUNITY MEMBER INVOLVEMENT AS A MODE TO SCHOOL GARDEN MANAGEMENT
Clara Wolcott, Eva Gemrich, Jorge Gutierrez; FoodCorps

DIRT MADE MY LUNCH
Anita Schuckert & Gladys Movall, Little Steps and Beyond Daycare

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL LITERACY WITH FARM TO SCHOOL & EARLY CARE
Lyn Jenkins, Iowa Department of Education

2:30 PM  BITE-SIZED + CLOSING SESSION

4:00 PM  ADJOURN