Iowa Farm to School Procurement Resources

General Information
National Farm to School Network: http://www.farmtoschool.org

Menu Planning, Pricing and Ordering
Iowa Farm to School Cycle Menu and Components (menu planning): http://iowafoodandfitness.org/site/cyclemenu.html
Checklist for Retail Purchasing of Local Produce: https://store.extension.iastate.edu/Product/12938

Finding Local Food
Iowa Local Food Coordinators and Local Food Directories: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/localfoods/where-is-our-work
Iowa Farm to School Directory: https://www.idalsdata.org/fmnp/index.cfm
Food Hubs in Iowa: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/localfoods/iowa-food-hub-directory
Iowa CSA Farm Directory: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/localfoods/iowa-csa-directory
Practical Farmers of Iowa Local Foods Directory: https://www.practicalfarmers.org/member-priorities/local-foods
Visit Iowa Farms: https://www.visitiowafarms.org
Iowa Farmers Market Directory:  

Iowa MarketMaker - https://ia.foodmarketmaker.com

For Farmers: Packing and Grading for Wholesale
Farmer and Buyer Toolkit for Wholesale Readiness  
https://www.extension.iastate.edu/localfoods/farmer-buyer-toolkit-for-wholesale-readiness

Grower’s Manual for Wholesale Vegetable Production (describes packing and handling)  
https://lib.dr.iastate.edu/leopold_pubspapers/80

Wholesale Success: A Farmer’s Guide to Food Safety, Selling, Postharvest Handling, and Packing Produce  
http://www.familyfarmed.org/publications/wholesalesuccess

Other Resources
Wisconsin Farm to School Toolkits: https://www.cias.wisc.edu/toolkits

Wisconsin Chop Chop Videos: https://www.cias.wisc.edu/chopchop

Iowa Local Food Day, annually on October 11: www.iowalocalfoodday.org

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