High School Student Conference Track

About
Conference organizers are excited to share a track of workshops and hands-on farm to school activities just for high school students! We encourage school district teams and organizations to support students in attending the conference alongside administration and staff attendees. This training track will elevate the experiential learning model, encouraging students to “do, reflect, and apply” learning throughout the day. Activities and workshops will center skill development and conversation around local food systems, food justice, social change and include:

Local Food Systems
- How to grow your own food: Gardening 101, composting, beekeeping
- Local food business models: Food hubs, CSAs, farmers markets
- Sustainable Agriculture: Soil conservation and land management

Food Justice & Social Change
- Food access initiatives
- Community organizing through food systems work
- How to be a change agent - reflecting and applying learning to school/community-level

Logistics
The High School Track will operate mostly independently of other conference sessions. High School students will join other conference attendees for the morning welcome and keynote, lunch, and the closing activity. Students are welcome to participate in additional conference offerings on Friday night and Saturday, which can be found on the broader Iowa Farm to School Conference Agenda.
## Agenda

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<td>Registration &amp; breakfast Networking with vendors</td>
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<td>Welcome</td>
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<td>8:30-9:15 AM</td>
<td>Keynote by Lola Bloom: Director of Food and Wellness at DC Bilingual Public Charter School, Co-Founder of nonprofit City Blossoms</td>
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| 9:30-11:15 AM | **High School Track- Session 1**  
*Local Food Systems* | Central College Organic Garden       |
| 11:30-12:30 PM| Local Foods Lunch!                                                            | Maytag Center          |
| 12:30-2:00 PM | **High School Track- Session 2**  
*Social Justice* | Central Market                  |
| 2:30-4:00 PM  | **High School Track- Session 3**  
*Making Change in your Community* | Cox-Snow Recital Hall       |
| 4:15-5:00 PM  | Group Reflection and Closing Activity                                          | Cox-Snow Recital Hall  |
| 5:30-7:30 PM  | Evening Social Documentary Screening                                           | Maytag Center          |
| 7:30-9:00 PM  |                                                                                |                        |

**Questions?**
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