

# 2022 Schedule for School Garden Monthly Calls

## Description

**2022 FOUA-VCE Planning Calendar**
**Monthly Garden Coordinator Zoom Calls**
**Proposed Topics**
(3rd Wednesday each month)

**If you would like to join the meetings, fill out this form. Questions? Email schoolgardens@arlingtonurbanag.org.**

**EVERY WEDNESDAY:** Starting next week, Wednesday, May 4, and continuing through mid-September, we will be coordinating our school gardens outreach in tandem with FOUA's Plot Against Hunger **Wednesday Garden Talks at Arlington Central Library**. The Garden Talks are held from 7:00 – 8:00PM next to the PLOT Garden near the tennis courts. Please come to learn firsthand from experienced gardeners about tips and tricks for gardening success on 20 different gardening topics , and how gardens of all stripes factor into the county's food security goals.

**WEDNESDAY MONTHLY SCHOOL GARDEN COORDINATOR CALLS:** In lieu of our monthly zoom meetings, we invite you to gather with us in-person at Arlington Central Library at **6:30PM next to the PLOT Garden**, where we'll be on hand for Garden Q&A for thirty minutes before the scheduled Wednesday Library Talk. For those of you unable to make it in person, we will also make this a Facebook Live event on the FOUA Facebook page. Initial topics include:

**May 18:** Container & Balcony Gardening with Anne Reed

**June 15:** Intercropping/Succession Planting with Judy Johnson

**July 20:** Top 10 Vegetable Diseases with Kirsten Conrad

[Topics for August and September TBD.]

**SCHOOL GARDEN VISITS**: Our first confirmed school garden visit will occur on Sunday, May 15th at The Jefferson Garden at Thomas Jefferson Middle School (at 4pm). Keep a look-out for a survey

Doodle Poll from Anne Braghetta so that we can coordinate more in-person garden visits on other summer dates.

**August 17 – Fall planting. Arlington County Fair Aug 17-21.**

**September 21 – Back to school, Cover crop planning for fall & winter.**

**October 19 – Harvest Festivals / Urban Agriculture Month. Soil testing.**

**November 16 – Prepping the garden for winter. Cover crop winter maintenance.**

**December – Annual FOUA meeting.**

## PAST MEETINGS

**January 19** – **Discuss annual calendar for school garden coordinators!** MLK Day of Service as an opportunity to involve students, parents and teachers.

**February 16 – Getting seedlings started indoors** **Feb 16, 2022 School Garden Network Meeting**

- Planting calendar- Tips for step-by-step gardening actions
- Covered gardening for winter growing.
- Making the most of spring planting for the elementary school year.
- Getting a plan of work laid out for the annual year – very location specific!
- Set up your garden to prevent pests.

**March 16 – Planning your garden.** **March 2022 School Garden Network Meeting**

- Soil conditioning and soil health. Soil testing.
- Growing community.

**April 20 – Garden synergies and best practices.** **April 20, 2022 School Garden Network Meeting**

- Pest Control.
- Planning garden visits across APS

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