

How to Get the Whole School Involved:

1. Have students from your class act as docents to show other classes around your garden
 - a. Host a school wide “Gardening/Planting Week” and have different grades come visit and possibly grow their own class plant
2. Display garden lesson plans in the hall
3. Make Victory Garden bulletin boards with our program sponsored designs
4. Host a Salad Day when you harvest that easy to grow lettuce.
5. Hand out recipes to different classes
 - a. Have your students hand write and decorate their different recipe cards
6. Host a Victory Garden open house in your classroom and invite other classes to come see your work on your garden
 - a. Have your students hand out seed packets to the other students who visit and encourage them to start their own gardens
7. The garden could include an area that serves for small performances such as musical ensembles, poetry readings, or outdoor theater at the school
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 - a. Offer the garden to the school as a place for gardening activities such as school wide work days, a harvest festival, or other outdoor events. Also offer the garden to Community leaders to use the garden as a site to announce awards or celebrate events in the community.
8. Host a special day following the opening of the garden in which students can specifically invite community members/parents to the garden in hopes of gaining their support and wisdom in the gardening process
9. Hold a school wide “Seed-Saving” day in the fall. Have your class collect seeds from other students and create a seed bank.
10. Invite individual classes to do creative writing or drawing in the garden during the day
11. As a class read a couple of different garden story books. Have your students pick a favorite story book and organize a week in which your class can invite other classes to come to the garden and read the book themselves.
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12. Create a school garden newsletter with writing samples from the students to share with the school, parents, and the community