

Chartwells School Garden Mini-Grants 2018-2019 School Year

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Chartwells Mini-Grants by the Numbers

5th year of funding

\$6,500 awarded

10 gardens funded

- 1** Preschool garden
- 6** Elementary gardens
- 1** Middle school garden
- 2** High school gardens

AAPS Farm to School Collaborative's Award Process

Application

- Open to staff and volunteers with principal approval
- Annual focus
- Prefer to fund new gardens

Decision Analysis

- Subcommittee reviews and scores
- Full Collaborative votes on recommendation

Ongoing Support

- Award announcement
- On-going support from FTS Collaborative, e.g. Grow Group, training, consultation, additional resources



2018-19 Awardees

Clague Middle School	\$500
Huron High School	\$1,000
Pattengill Elementary	\$1,000

Clague Middle School

Project: Restore the Greenhouse!

Buy shelving, planters, soil and gardening tools.

Students in a planned Greenhouse Club will have an active role in choosing the fruit and vegetable seeds, planting them, caring for them and harvesting them.



**Before picture of Clague greenhouse.
Prep work happened this spring; more
to come this summer.**

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Pattengill Garden

Project: build a garden for the whole school!

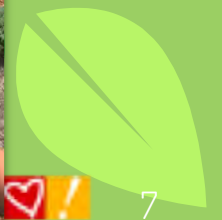
Use funds to “*build a raised bed garden at Pattengill so students in each classroom will have the opportunity to work in an organic garden and learn about growing vegetables and herbs.*”
-- Michele Wilkins, 4th grade teacher



Pattengill Garden



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Huron High School Community Garden

Project: build Huron's first school garden to *"promote student involvement in food production in an environmentally friendly way."* -- Nicole Lemon, science teacher, and Luke Hurley, student

Garden will include raised beds and vertical garden planters to grow vegetables, herbs, and flowers.

Garden will connect to culinary arts program and science curriculum.



Work began on Memorial Day.



Student volunteers build the raised beds.

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After three days of work, the garden was halfway built!





Adding soil and planting



"This was a learning experience for all of us."
-Rafa Esteva, Huron Sophomore





Students were proud to build a wonderful addition to Huron.

Special thanks to

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Bird's eye view of completed garden.

Many thanks to Chartwells for
supporting AAPS school gardens!

Questions?

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