## ELMBROOK FARM EXPANSION





Provide quality school meals to better fuel Elmbrook students to learn at their highest potential

ROGRAM

Grow all of our own lettuce for all students participating in our meal programs, increasing our local procurement footprint Providing organic greens/produce to our students that are hyperlocal, without these units, the organic greens would not be financially viable



Student engagement, clubs educating students about growing their own food and how food systems work

Special education student support and partnership with Fairview South students and Strive; learning life skills, job stamina and education through daily tasks

TCurriculum based program that can easily be integrated into the classroom



+12 FARMS = \$65,000.00 +24 FARMS = \$124,198.00 +48 FARMS = \$244,078.00

Flex Acre Option = \$350,000 - Equivalent of 48 flex farms

Would be the first K-12 partner to deploy in the nation!!

Starting in the Fall of 2023, Fairview South embarked on a partnership with Food Services and Fork Farms for an exciting new school-wide initiative. Together, we are cultivating fresh lettuce and herbs to contribute to the school district's hot lunch program and employee lunches. The Fork Farms pods, where the lettuce grows, are housed at Fairview South along with all the necessary materials for growing the lettuce and herbs. This initiative provides an opportunity for hands-on learning and created several in-school jobs for my students and staff and expanded my students' vocational experiences and skill set. The overall aim of this initiative was to better prepare my students for future community opportunities.

-Angela Sidebottom



Expand our farms to provide higher quality and more local produce to our students while also engaging the students of Elmbrook