

After School S.A.F.E. Framework for Lesson Planning

<u>Title:</u> Urban Vegetable Gardening <u>Instructor:</u> Carlos Chavez <u>Date:</u>

Objective: Teach middle school age youth how to grow and maintain their own vegetable garden

Materials: Buckets or Plastic containers (8" deep, 6" wide), Seeds or potted plants, potting soil, water.

Website videos: Example of a garden set up: https://youtu.be/YDv8TEqO_Ac

Tomatoes plant solution: https://youtu.be/AKrAefjDIZ8

How to harvest: https://youtu.be/8gCt6755550

	Physical Activity – Daily	Nutrition Education – 2x/month	Math and Literacy – 30-40 min. daily
Circle Component(s):	Arts Education – 1x/week	21 st Century Skills and STEM – 2x/week	Global Learning – 1x/week
	Leadership and Character	College and Career Readiness—	Service Learning – 1 project/quarter
	Development – 1x/week	2x/month	

<u>S</u> equenced	Explain step-by- step the activity and how it builds on other activities	Step 1: Select a spot around your yard or balcony that gets the most sun light. Sun light is key to growing vegetable with success. There is a smart phone app called suncalc that can help estimate how much time the sun light your plants will get. Step 2: Select vegetables that you like and will eat. This prevents waste, and makes growing your own vegetables worth it. Step 3: follow instructions on the seed packaging or online for potting the plant. Every type of vegetable is different levels of difficulty growing. From Easy, moderate and hard to grow: Leaf types (lettuce, herbs, cabbage), roots (onions, carrots, radishes), fruit (beans, tomatoes, chili). See the Example of a garden set up video Step 4. Always keep the soil watered at least 4 inches deep into the soil. This will keep the plant alive. Step 5. Harvest vegetables based on what type you are growing. See the How to harvest video.	
<u>A</u> ctive	Hands on- engagement, demonstrate and practice skills	Using technology to help select the appropriate space to grow vegetables, this helps reinforce math skills when counting hours of sun light. Also, this helps reinforce lessons learned in science or biology Selecting vegetables to grow also helps identify different species of plant and their reproductive processes. Cognitive skills are also practiced while planting, potting and harvesting the vegetables.	
<u>F</u> ocus	Specific time and attention on skill development	Step 1: 10 minutes Step 2: 10-15 minutes Step 3: 10-15 minutes Step 4: 5 minutes a day during growth process. Step 5: 10-15 minutes	

<u>E</u> xplicit	Observation and reflection = validation of skills Review Objective	By selecting the space, the individual is demonstrating that they understand time in hours of sunlight. By selecting the type of vegetable, the individual is demonstrating a level or skill and attention to details. By planting and potting the vegetables, the individual demonstrates cognitive skills. By watering and maintaining the vegetables, the individuals is reviewing the skills demonstrated throughout the lesson. By harvesting the vegetables, the individual experiences success and feels empowered to repeat the process again.
Alignment	Alignment of Common Core State Standards	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RST.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RST.6-8.3, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RST.6-8.7
Language Development	List Vocabulary and Sight Words Reviewed	Potting, planting, harvest, soil and success.