

FRESH FROM THE FARM

Healthy Fundraising for Ontario Schools

September to November 2013

Welcome to *Fresh from the Farm*, *Healthy Fundraising for Ontario Schools*. To be launched in June 2013, this pilot project will offer a new fundraising program to schools: selling fresh Ontario fruits and vegetables to the community.

Fresh from the Farm is a joint effort of the Dietitians of Canada, the Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association, and the Province of Ontario.

Fresh from the Farm is committed to delivering:
Healthy food choices!
Opportunities for learning about agriculture and food in the classroom!
Support for Ontario's farmers, and the local economy. After all, Good Things Grow in Ontario!
Leadership, by aligning with Ontario's School Food and Beverage Policy!
Great profit margins for your school!

Schools keep \$4 for every \$10 bundle (A) sold and \$8 for every \$20 bundle (B) sold. That's 40%! Those are great returns – and should go a long way in meeting your fundraising goals.

To make this fundraiser a success, you will need:

A School Champion to liaise with the Project Coordinator from Fresh from the Farm.

A strong team of volunteers. This is a great way for students to collect valuable volunteer hours!

Adequate space at your school to receive the order, pack it, and distribute it.

An ambitious group of students dedicated to selling fresh, Ontario fruits and vegetables to families and friends while earning revenue for their school!

To help you coordinate a successful fundraiser, follow the instructions on the back of this flyer. For further information, please visit www.eatrightontario.ca/en/freshfromthefarm and for all questions, contact EatRight Ontario (1-877-510-510-2) or email the Project Coordinator (cathy.oconnor@dietitians.ca)

Don't wait. Enrol now at: www.eatrightontario.ca/en/freshfromthefarm.











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Fresh from the Farm Sequence of Events:

SELECT a School Champion to coordinate the fundraiser and liaise with the Project Coordinator from Fresh from the Farm.

ENROL your elementary or secondary school at www.eatrightontario.ca/en/freshfromthefarm using the Enrolment Form. Enrolment begins on June 3, 2013, and ends on October 7, 2013. Each school may only enrol once.

OOWNLOAD all program resources from www.eatrightontario.ca/en/freshfromthefarm.

ORGANIZE students to collect orders and payment from customers, such as family and friends. Fundraising can begin on **September 3, 2013**. Use the Student Order Form to collect orders.

TALLY all orders from the Student Order Forms using the Classroom Summary Forms. Save a copy of each Student Order Form for distribution of orders.

COMPLETE the School Order Form using the Classroom Summary Forms. All cheques must be made out to the Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association.

SUBMIT the School Order Form via email to the Project Coordinator (cathy.oconnor@dietitians.ca) and a separate hard copy along with the cheque to the Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association. The deadline for submitting the orders is **October 18, 2013**. Late orders or additions to already processed orders WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Thank you for your cooperation.

Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association 355 Elmira Rd. N., Unit #105 Guelph, ON N1K 1S5

RECEIVE bundles of fruits and vegetables from the delivery truck on the date provided by Fresh from the Farm. Each school will only receive one delivery date, and they will be scheduled between **November 4, 2013**, and **November 29, 2013**. Reusable, biodegradable bags will be supplied for packing Bundle A, while Bundle B will come pre-packaged.

BUNDLE A: 3 lb carrots, 3 lb onions, 5 lb potatoes, and 1 lb parsnips **BUNDLE B:** 8 lb box of apples

RECRUIT volunteers to create bundles according to the Student Order Forms. This is a great way for students to collect valuable volunteer hours!

DISTRIBUTE top quality Ontario produce for pick-up, or for students to take home.

CONGRATULATE your students and volunteers for a successful Fresh from the Farm fundraiser!







