

With the support of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension, Heritage Elementary School received funds from the Douglas County Farm Bureau to start a plant science program. In January 2014, "Cultivating Plants & Minds" began with students planting lettuce, spinach and other salad greens. Heritage teachers are using their unique plant laboratory to teach students about plants and agriculture sciences through hands-on education. Beyond the sciences, students are learning where their food comes from and how it connects to agriculture.

FARM TO SCHOOL is a program that connects K-12 schools and local farms with the objectives of serving healthy meals in schools, improving student nutrition, providing agriculture, health and nutrition opportunities, and supporting local and regional farmers.

SUPPORTERS OF

The Plant Science Program "Cultivating Plants & Minds" Heritage Elementary School University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE

"FARM TO SCHOOL" ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2014

12:45-1:45 p.m. (Grades K-3) 1:45-2:45 p.m. (Grades 4-6) Heritage Elementary School 9950 Rosewater Parkway, Bennington, NE

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension Educators will be teaching students where their food comes from based on the school lunch served that day and how it relates to Nebraska agriculture. Students will also receive a snack of local foods that includes milk and popcorn.

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Milk provided by Prairieland Dairy – Firth, Nebraska

Popcorn provided at discount by Just Pop'd Popcorn – Omaha, Nebraska