

Farm to School and COVID-19 Resources

Government Related Links

- [Common Questions and Answers from the Governor's Office](#)
- [COVID-19: Resources for Local Governments](#)

A Note on Procurement

Local food can still be procured for altered feeding patterns during the COVID-19 school closings. The continued procurement of local foods bolsters local economies and maintains market streams for farmers and producers within your local area. Due to the differences in school meals, this might not be possible to procure some local products. Within Indiana, the State Department of Agriculture and the Indiana Grown program are working tirelessly to help producers through this period. For direct producer assistance, please contact Heather Tallman at htallman@isda.in.gov.

Community Garden Resources

- [A Guide to Community Gardens During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [COVID-19 FAQs for Community Gardens: Steps for Garden Managers and Gardeners](#)
- [Purdue Extension Virtual Garden Training](#)

Local Producer and Farmers Market Resources

- [A Guide for Local Producers to Navigate the COVID-19 Outbreak](#)
- [Farmers Market Coalition Response to COVID-19](#)
- [Community Alliance with Family Farmers COVID-19 Resources](#)
- [Food Safety on the Farm, COVID-19 Google Drive](#)
- [FDA Food Safety Recommendations for Producers and Restaurant Owners](#)
- [Resources for Indiana's Landscape and Nursery Industry](#)
- [Planning for the 2020 Planting Season During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [Recommendations for Livestock Sales During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [A Guide to Alternative Delivery Systems for Local Producers During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [Indiana Pork](#)

Food Service Directors and Meal Distribution Sites

- [Indiana DOE COVID-19 Newsletter](#)
- [COVID-19 Resources for Indiana Schools- DOE](#)
- [Emergency Meal Service Toolkit for School Nutrition Programs](#)
- [COVID-19 No Kid Hungry Best Practices](#)
- [Keep Calm and Handle Food Safely](#)

Food Access and Anti-Hunger Resources

- Families can text FOOD to 877-877 for a list of open food sites near them
- [Community Compass](#)

- [Food Assistance Availability Map](#)
- [A Consumer Guide to Buying from Local Farmers During the COVID-19 Outbreak](#)

Remote Learning Resources for Farm to School

- [Captain Planet Foundation: Learning from Home Resources](#)
- [At Home Learning Activities for Children](#)
- [Conservation Learning Activities for K-12 Students](#)
- [Purdue Extension Home Gardening Class](#)

Childcare Resources

- Families who need help finding or paying for care can contact Brighter Futures Indiana staff at 1-800-299-1627 and a referral specialist can support them in their search.
- Every community has a Child Care Resource and Referral Agency (CRR&R) who can connect parents with local childcare options and provide referrals for support. To find your local CRR&R you can call 1-800-299-1627 or go to <https://www.in.gov/fssa/carefinder/5712.htm>
- When locating care it is important to ensure that families are choosing licensed and regulated care for their children. To check if the environment is licensed or regulated you can go to childcarefinder.in.gov or call 1-800-299-1627
- [COVID-19 Guidance for Childcare Programs](#)

Financial Resources/Support

- [National Young Farmers Coalition](#)
- [No Kid Hungry Coronavirus Request Form](#)
- [Dunkin Joy In Childhood Foundation COVID-19 Grant](#)
- [American Farmland Trust: Farmer Relief Fund](#)