Partner Schools Program
Impact For 2019-2020 School Year

Life Lab cultivates children’s love of learning, healthy food, and nature through garden-based education.

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Next Generation Science, Common Core language arts, Environmental Literacy, and Health Eating in dynamic Garden Classrooms

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• Amesti Elementary
• Ann Soldo Elementary
• Starlight Elementary
• Hall District Elementary
• MacQuiddy Elementary
• Obispo Elementary
• H.A. Hyde Elementary

2019-2020 IMPACTS

NGSS IN THE GARDEN

TK - 2nd Grade
GARDEN-BASED SCIENCE
FALL

44 lessons per week

Scientific Knowledge

100% AGREE

Enthusiasm for Learning

100% AGREE

95+ Teachers whose classes participated in our programs in Fall 2019 at seven partner schools reported that the Next Generation Science in the Garden program (NGSS) increased their students...

Social & Emotional Skills

89% AGREE

Connection to Nature

100% AGREE

KIDS COOK PROGRAM

3rd - 5th Grade
COOKING & NUTRITION
WINTER

36 lessons per week

HEALTHY EATING

1580 students in our 2019-20 Kids Cook programs prepared and tasted healthy foods 1,344 times in different lessons and reported that they:

Tried a new fruit or vegetable

63%

966 STUDENTS
tried new healthy food

63%

Liked or Loved recipes tasted

72%
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We are expanding to two new schools in the 2019-2020 school year.

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), Common Core Language Arts, Environmental Literacy, and Health Eating in Garden Classrooms.

Impact For 2018-2019 School Year

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS),
Common Core Language Arts, Environmental Literacy, and Health Eating in Garden Classrooms.

Teachers that participated in the NGSS in the Garden Programs in fall (2018) and spring (2019) reported the following STUDENT IMPACTS:

- Understanding of NGSS
- Real World Engagement
- Interested in Nature
- Enjoyed Fruits & Veggies

57 Field Trips
17 Kinds of Healthy Fruits and Vegetables Tasted
24 Science, Environment, & Nutrition Lessons
918 Students visited the Blooming Classroom
28 New educators trained in the Blooming Classroom

918 PVUSD students visited the Blooming Classroom, explored its dynamic learning environment, and tasted healthy produce items 604 times for the first time and reported that they:

- Liked or Loved recipes tasted

79%

NGSS RESULTS

Here is what teachers are saying....

Students of today need to have a positive relationship and connection with nature to help them solve/care for the environment. This program is a HUGE piece to building that connection.

- 2nd grade teacher

I think our students leave here with more confidence. The students are engaged the whole time they are here. They leave here with so much more nutritional knowledge and vocabulary too!

- 2nd grade teacher

My students always remember the BC gardens and are so excited when we have the chance to return to the garden in Spring. Thank you so much for a wonderful day.

- 2nd grade teacher

(The Blooming Classroom) Gives them an opportunity to use real science practice in a way they can’t do at school.

- 2nd grade teacher