



School Gardens

London Community Resource Centre

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Agenda

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Benefits of School Yard Gardens

FoodShare Ontario:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bgzbyBznyc0#t=55>



Benefits of School Yard Gardens

Essential Life Skills

Hand-on learning

“Field to Table Schools works with educators, parents, and students from JK through Grade 12, to implement hands-on cooking and gardening activities..”
-- FoodShare Ontario

Integrated with curriculum



Benefits of School Yard Gardens

How food choices affect
environment, health, and
surrounding
communities



Opportunity to bring
communities together

*“kids + gardens + healthy food
= stronger communities”*

-- Richmond Schoolyard Garden Society



Recent Growth in London



University Heights I

Market

ool Board



Recent Growth in London



Outdoor Classroom and Sensory Garden
of the 'Knowledge Garden'

How to Start Your Garden

- ✓ Buy-in from stakeholders
Principal, teachers, school board,
students, and community members

- ✓ Create a workable design
Size and type of garden bed

- ✓ Appropriate location
Sun, Water, and Soil

- ✓ Fits in to current schoolyard
environment



Community Partners

London Middlesex Master Gardeners

<http://www.londonmiddlesexmastergardeners.com/>

Fanshawe College Landscape Design Program

<http://www.fanshawec.ca/programs-courses/full-time-programs/dls4-intro>

TD Friends of the Environment Foundation

<https://fef.td.com/>

COPP'S Buildall

<http://www.coppsbuildall.com/>

Growing Chefs

<http://growingchefsontario.ca/>

Heeman's Nursery

<http://www.heeman.ca/>



Resources

FoodShare Ontario

<http://www.foodshare.net/school-groups-and-researchers>

Richmond School Yard Society

http://www.kidsinthegarden.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1&Itemid=2

Edible School Yard Project

<http://edibleschoolyard.org/>

City Schoolyard Gardens

<http://www.cityschoolyardgarden.org/kids-blog/>





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