

# Student Planting Day Sample Schedule

TIME	GRADE LEVELS	ROOM NUMBERS	
8:30-9:30	7th & 8th	311	312
9:30-10:30	6th & 7th	305	306
10:30-11:00	4th & 5th	205	206
11:00-12:00	Break		
12:00-12:30	Kindergarten	106	107
12:30-1:30	4th & 5th	211	213
12:45-1:30	1st	112	114
1:30-2:15	1st & 3rd	215	212
2:00-2:45	2nd & 3rd	201	203

Room numbers and grade levels are included as examples only. Times will vary according to your school's schedule.

## Preparation

- Create a schedule for teachers to sign up to bring at least one class out for 30 minutes – 1 hour (see sample schedule above).
- Your School Planning Coordinator will work with you to identify how many classes can be accommodated outside at once and what the tasks will involve.
- Email schedule to the School Planning Coordinator.
- Recruit at least three additional adults to oversee small group work.
- Schedule a rain date.
- Remind students the day before to dress for outdoor work, which means wearing clothing and footwear that they don't mind getting dirty.
- Discuss the overall plan of the planting day with students beforehand. Consider showing them a map of the schoolyard and pointing out which areas they will be working in.

## Planting Day

- Students will assist in planting and mulching the raised vegetable beds and some of the in-ground plantings. Specific work will depend on the group's age. For example, older students might help shovel soil into the vegetable beds, while the younger students might plant small potted plants and seeds.
- Space to Grow staff will explain and demonstrate the tasks.
- Teachers and adult volunteers will assist and supervise small groups of students as they work.
- Volunteers should be instructed to arrive a few minutes early and be prepared to work in the garden.
- Teachers are expected to actively participate. This is not a free period.
- All tools, gloves and materials will be provided by Space to Grow.

