Fresh Choice Hawaiian Harvest

A toolkit for school snack programs celebrating the bounty of Hawai'i's fresh fruits and vegetables



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Fresh Choice Hawaiian Harvest celebrates the diverse, nutritious, and delicious bounty of produce grown in Hawai'i, encouraging children and their families to eat more locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables. The Fresh Choice Hawaiian Harvest Toolkit can be used as an educational resource by schools for all types of snack programs to introduce students to local produce items grown by Hawai'i's farmers.

The Fresh Choice Hawaiian Harvest Toolkit Includes:

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- Educational Resource Sheets profiling each featured locally grown crop. These include nutritional benefits, fun facts, growing information, keikifriendly recipes, and more. The educational resource sheets can be read aloud in class by students or teachers, posted in classrooms for review by the students, or sent home to share with families.
- **Preparation Tip Sheets** with instructions on selecting, ordering, storing, preparing, and serving each featured crop. These sheets include seasonality information that can help snack coordinators determine the best time of year to order different fruits and vegetables.
- **Family Newsletters** to send home twice a year. Newsletters include recipes and activities to further encourage families to get to know and utilize locally grown fruits and vegetables.
- Color Poster with vibrant photos of each featured fruit and vegetable for placement in classrooms or cafeterias.
- An Appendix of other helpful resource guides for school snack programs.



Asparagus Avocado Cantaloupe & Honeydew Cucumber Dragon Fruit Green Beans Guava Kalo

FEATURED CROPS:

Lilikoʻi - Passionfruit Lychee & Rambutan Maiʻa - Banana Mango Orange Papaya Pineapple Spinach

Star Fruit Strawberry Tangerine Tomato 'Uala - Sweet Potato Ulu - Breadfruit Watercress Watermelon





Updates and downloads are available at www.kokuahawaiifoundation.org/hawaiianharvest

How much local produce is being served in Hawai'i schools? Contribute to our growing database and share feedback on the toolkit by filling out our survey at kokuahawaiifoundation.org/hawaiianharvest.

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