



Florida Agriculture in the Classroom

School Garden To Table

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Square Foot Gardening Activities

- ▶ How to carefully plan a salsa garden
 - ▶ Consider area/perimeter
 - ▶ Companion planting
 - ▶ Plant requirements (spacing)
 - ▶ Irrigation needs
- ▶ Irrigating the garden



Garden to Table – Food Safety

- ▶ Have a food safety plan in place
 - ▶ Who will harvest?
 - ▶ Gloves for harvesting
 - ▶ Hand washing stations
 - ▶ Where will the produce be washed?
 - ▶ Designated bins for washed and sanitized
 - ▶ Cleaning and sanitation of equipment
 - ▶ Wash vegetables, herbs and produce under running water

Blender Garden Salsa



Homemade Pickles



Being a Good Taster

- ▶ Start with an open mind
 - ▶ It takes 10-15 tastes to like something
- ▶ Using positive, descriptive words
 - ▶ “don’t yuck my yum”
- ▶ Ensure that students have to try the sample
- ▶ Don’t forget to support your local agriculture!





Thank you!