

# School Garden Seed Suggestions

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**In Florida, school vegetable gardens benefit from the fact that our prime growing season aligns very well with the school calendar.** To aid schools in selecting the right seeds for success we have compiled the following list of recommended varieties to plant in Pinellas County school gardens, and when to plant them to ensure they will be ready to harvest before the school year is over.



## Suggested Seeds:

**Beans (pole), plant in Aug./Sept. or Feb./Mar.:** McCaslan, Kentucky Wonder, Blue Lake (50-70 days to harvest)

**Beets, plant in Sept./early Oct. or Jan./Feb.:** Tall top, Early Wonder, Detroit Dark Red, Cyindra, Red Ace, Yellow Detroit (50-70 days to harvest)

**Broccoli, plant in Sept. or Jan./early Feb.:** Early Green, Early Dividend, Green Sprouting/Calabrese, Waltham, Packman, De Cicco, Broccoli Raab (Rapini) (75-90 days to harvest)

**Carrots, plant in Aug. or Jan.:** Imperator, Nantes, Danvers, Chantenay (70-120 days to harvest)

**Eggplant, plant in Aug. or Jan.:** Black Beauty, Dusky, Long, Ichiban, Cloud Nine (white) (90-115 days to harvest)

**Kale, plant in Sept. or Jan./Feb.:** Vates Dwarf Blue Curled, Tuscan (lacinato), Winterbor, Redbor (50-70 days to harvest)

**Lettuce (leaf), plant in Sept./Oct. or Jan./Feb.:** Simpson types, Salad Bowl, Red Sails, New Red Fire, Oak Leaf, Royal Oak (60-80 days to harvest)

**Onions (bunching/green), plant in Aug./Sept. or Jan.-Mar.:** Evergreen Bunching, White Lisbon Bunching (50-75 days to harvest)

**Peas (English or snow) plant in Nov. or Jan./Feb.:** Wando, Green Arrow, Sugar Snap, Oregon Sugarpod II (60-80 days to harvest)

**Peppers (sweet) , plant in Aug. or Jan.:** California Wonder, Red Knight, Big Bertha, Sweet Banana, Giant Marconi, Cubanelle (90-100 days to harvest)

**Tomatoes (small fruit), plant in Aug. or Jan.:** Sweet 100, Juliet, Red Grape, Sun Gold, Sugar Snack, Sweet Baby Girl (90-100 days to harvest)

**Radish, plant in Sept./Oct or Jan.-Mar.:** Cherry Belle, White Icicle, Sparkler, Champion, Daikon (20-30 days to harvest)

**Refer to the Florida Vegetable Gardening Guide for more details on various vegetable crops:**

<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/VH/VH02100.pdf>.

