

Media Alert

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HOMEGROWN SCHOOL LUNCH KICK-OFF EVENT THIS FRIDAY

The kick-off event for the Third Annual Maryland Homegrown School Lunch Week (Sept. 13-17, 2010) will be held Friday, September 10, 2010, at Edgewood Elementary School. Edgewood Elementary School is the only school in the state to host this very special honor this year! There will be three components to the event: a short formal program, classroom visits and activities by local farmers and special guests, and lunch featuring locally-grown produce. This week-long education and awareness activity is part of the Jane Lawton Farm to School program.

The program was created during the 2008 Session of the Maryland General Assembly when SB 158 Farm-to-School Program - Activities and Promotional Events, sponsored by Senator Jamie Raskin and Del. Sheila Hixson, was signed into law by Governor O'Malley in May 2008. The program is designed to help educate students about where their food comes from, how it is produced, the benefits of a healthy diet, as well as to expand markets for Maryland farmers. The Maryland Department of Agriculture and the Maryland State Department of Education, along with many partners, help coordinate events each year. For details, visit www.marylandfarmtoschool.org.

When: Friday, September 10, 2010
11:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Where: Edgewood Elementary School
2100 Cedar Drive
Edgewood, MD 21040

What: Third Annual Maryland Homegrown School Lunch Week Kick-Off Event

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