

Pennsylvania Farm to School Network Success Story: **CURWENSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT & RUSTIC RIDGE FARM**

Clearfield County, PA



Curwensville Area School District has partnered with Rustic Ridge Farm. “The Farm” located in West Decatur, PA, is a breath of fresh air with a multitude of opportunities. It is more than a destination, it’s a community of where education, exploration,

and connection come together. Curwensville students have enjoyed picking produce and herbs from the gardens, making salsa with those fresh ingredients, exploring nature and doing leaf rubbings, visiting the animals, and conquering their fears on the obstacle course.





We also had the opportunity to borrow a Grow Tower from IU10. We started plants from seedlings and used the harvest to make individual salads for participating students. We also incorporated fresh herbs into our cooking—adding basil to lasagna, dill to create vegetable dip, and enjoying other herbs and vegetables as well. When it came time to return the Grow Tower, we transplanted our plants into garden plots so we could continue to enjoy them.



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