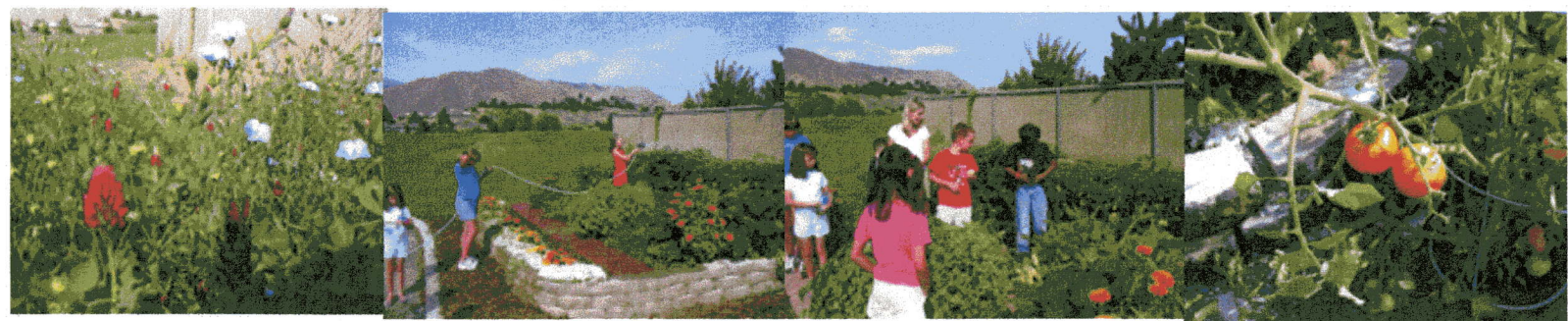


# JOHN NEWBERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GARDEN RESOURCE GUIDE



# Preface

When the *John Newbery Elementary School Garden Resource Guide* was first produced, our goal was to create a guide that would provide ways in which a school garden can be used as an outdoor classroom experience and to stimulate general interest in the garden. I believe we succeeded in that goal. As we embark upon our second growing season, the need to revise and update the resource guide has become apparent.

The resource guide is now divided by subject matter (i.e. geography, math, and science etc.). Each section provides information on the importance of a school garden as a teaching aid for that specific subject, ideas for implementation, sample curriculum, and activities. Information resources are listed at the beginning of each section for your convenience. Pages are set up so they can be removed and duplicated easily. Lesson plans have been specially marked to easily identify which grade they target specifically.

I hope you enjoy browsing through the resource guide, walk away with more ideas to share with your students, and share with others what you have discovered from using your school garden. Happy gardening!

Sincerely,

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# Resources

- [www.egarden.org/wizard/](http://www.egarden.org/wizard/)
- <http://commserv.ucdavis.edu/CESanDiego/Schlgrdn/SchoolGardens.html>
- <http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/kindergarden/index.html>

# Why have a school garden?

“Within the school environment, a garden offers an unparalleled platform to help kids achieve learning goals in ways that are recommended by the National Science Standards and most state and local educational bodies.

A School Garden requires a child's intellectual, emotional and social engagement with things that must be measured, counted, weighed, arranged, planned and cared for. It can yield gratifying and often surprising results for you and your students.”<sup>1</sup>



