



Growing Larger Futures with Ag in the Classroom:

NM Grow Project Grant Helps K-12 Students Get Growing!

Grant Includes:

Complete Raised Bed Garden Kit:

- * 4'X8' cedar raised bed (Assembled by Mayfield FFA)
- * 12 bags- top soil, 12 bags- manure, 15 bags-peat moss
- * Drip irrigation system with timer
- * 50 ft. hose
- * Garden tools ,gloves, seeds
- * Tool storage cabinet
- * Classroom seed starter kit
- * Hoop house attachment & cover to extend growing season
- * Tarp to close garden in summer if needed

Complete hydroponic kit:

- * 2 large bins with baskets
- * Light with stand & electric timer
- * Nutrients, PH testing kit, seeds
- * 2 bubble stones, aquarium air pump/two valve, hose
- * Grow medium (Grodan & clay pebbles)

Regional Workshop Trainings:

- * Directions: how to set up & use all resources successfully
- * Lessons & meeting local experts

**Apply at www.nmaitec.org
(Under Teacher Resources/ Awards & Grants Tab) Deadline: March 20th!**

Grant Sponsor:



United States Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service

Walk into Deanna Walker's fourth grade classroom in Roy, NM and be prepared to be impressed! These precocious students are growing their understanding of food production thanks to a grant awarded through National Ag in the Classroom and the CHS Foundation. Mrs. Walker was one of fifteen teachers across the nation to receive this \$500 grant. "Growing Larger Futures" is the grant's goal for the third through fifth graders at Roy Elementary. The grant allows students to investigate growing their food traditionally and hydroponically to compare the efficacy of each method.



"NMAITC provides opportunities that teachers don't have the time and resources to find. It educates rural and urban students and enriches understanding even if they have a farming/ ranching background. It also makes this generation think how important it is to protect water and soil" - Deanna Walker (Pictured with her students)

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Deanna learned about NM Ag in the Classroom (NMAITC) at a Colfax County Farm Bureau meeting. She attended a summer regional workshop about hydroponics and gardening and learned about the grant opportunity through our e-newsletter. Thank you to our counties for connecting with local teachers!

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