



UC Master Gardener Program
Contra Costa County School Gardens
March 2022 Newsletter



Greetings School Garden Champions and UC Master Gardener Volunteers!

Spring can be a very busy and exciting time at the school gardens. As the temperatures warm up, we are getting to hear from many of you about all the wonderful activities you are planning for your school gardens.

This is a great time to start seeds for a summer vegetable garden. To care for a summer garden, plan in advance to have someone monitor your school garden during the summer break. Now is a good time to amend the soil with compost. Add a thick coat of mulch to suppress weeds from taking over the garden and to conserve water.

We are curious to hear from you and visit your school gardens. Please reach out to us for consultations.

[Here are a few links to articles with UC ANR researched based information for your school garden.](#)

Spring Garden & Landscape Checklist
March/April/May: [Read Here](#)

Spring Vegetable Planting Guide for Interior Regions:
[Read Here](#)

FAQs on Planning, Preparing & Caring for your Vegetable Garden: [Read Here](#)

Garden Mulch Advice: [Read Here](#)

Seed Starting by Kate Verhoef: [Read Here](#)

Flowering Plants for your Butterfly Garden by Kate Verhoef: [Read Here](#)

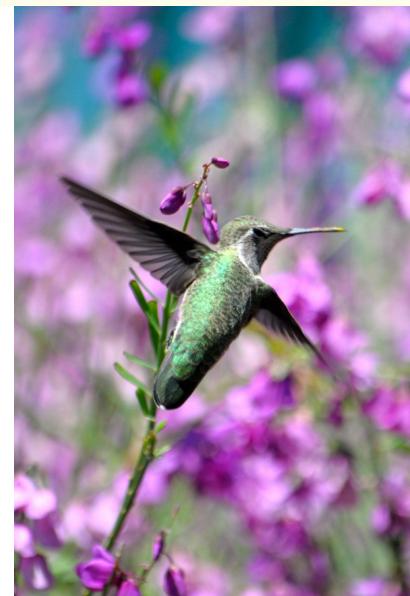


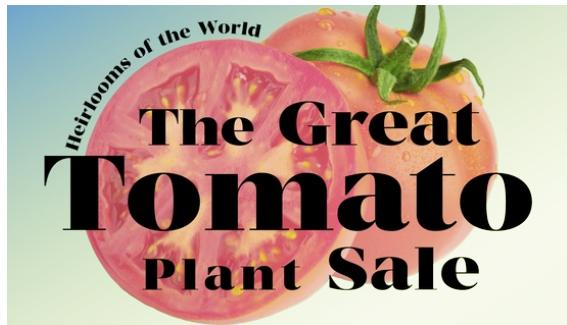
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Thank you,
UC Master Gardener, School Gardens Co-leads, Soubarna, Kate and Pam.

The 2022 Great Tomato Plant Sale is coming on April 2 at Noon!

UC Master Gardeners are hard at work to bring you a wide variety of fantastic tomatoes and vegetables for your spring garden. The ordering will be available exclusively online.

[Click here to visit GTPS Webpage](#) for more information.



Watch our Youtube channel for more research based gardening tips and talks.

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