



YES! Update 5.4.2020

Program Update

A reminder to send your final reports and visuals to your coordinator by this Thursday, May 7th!

YES! End of the Year Checklist

2020 Graduate Exit Survey – Please send this to your graduating seniors to complete by May 29th

2020 Post Assessment Survey – Please send this to all YES! students to complete by May 29th

2020 Coach Survey – Please complete this survey by June 10 to help us improve the program

Project Signs – At no cost you can order up to two YES! signs for any of your projects, these signs have a sticky back. (Additional signs are \$10 each) Last year's template is attached to this email. Please contact your coordinator to order.

2020-2021 YES! Registration Forms – Team registration forms for 2020-21 can be found [here!](#) (Fee can be paid in the Fall)

YES! Key Dates

May 7th – Submit Final Report and Visual (ppt, website, video, etc) to your coordinator to participate in regional competition

May 12th – Virtual Electric Vehicle (EV) Workshop – Join other YES! coaches and students online to learn about electric vehicles and the environmental impacts of our transportation choices during the *What will you drive?* Workshop! Individual participants should register [HERE](#) by noon on Monday, May 11th. Thank you so much for encouraging students to register, prepare (see Get Ready to Share), and participate in our first virtual YES! workshop!

May 18th – Regional Winners will be announced in YES! Update

June 1st – Due date for expense report, receipts for reimbursement & final report (if not participating in competition)

YES! Project Resource Feature – Local Foods & Gardening

We've updated our YES! Project Resources pages and will be featuring a new page each week! Here is a glance at the Local Foods & Gardening page, please visit the [Student and Coaches Corner](#) of our website (passcode: sayyes!) to check it out!

YES! Resources:

- [YES! Project Guide: Hydroponics](#)
- [YES! Project Guide: Planter Boxes](#)

Other Resources:

- [Minnesota Grown](#) – A directory of MN Farmers and Growers
- [Edible Landscapes](#) – Gathering and growing edible fruits and nuts

- **Farm to School Toolkit** – How Minneapolis Public Schools buys fresh produce from local farmers
- **Foraging in MN** – Minnesota offers an abundance of native foods for people to harvest and eat
- **Deep Winter Greenhouses** – designed to limit the amount of fossil fuel it takes to grow crops during cold winters
- **Nourish Curriculum Guide** – offers a rich set of resources to open a meaningful conversation about food and sustainability.

Videos:

- **Michael Pollan: Why Eat Local?** (2 min)
- **Living Soil Film** (60 min)

Suggested Books:

- **[Midwest Foraging: 115 Wild and Flavorful Edibles from Burdock to Wild Peach](#)**
- **Omnivore's Dilemma** by Michael Pollan
- **In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto** by Michael Pollan
- **The Fate of Food: What We'll Eat in a Bigger, Hotter, Smarter World** by Amanda Little