



FROM THE GARDEN  
OCTOBER 2013

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Since the beginning of school, the SSG has engaged 243 children in Youth Farmers Market, Curriculum Integration and cooking classes. The Youth Farmers Market harvested 484 pounds of produce since the beginning of school and sold 773. The students also harvested produce for Garden to Cafeteria including donations by the Community Garden. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades will be preparing, planting and maintaining winter crops of spinach, lettuce and carrots. If you are interested in garden activities, please see the SSG section of the school website or contact us at [SteeleGarden@gmail.com](mailto:SteeleGarden@gmail.com).

**Youth Farmers Market Dates** – Grown by You Children & Sponsored by Room 104

September 27 <sup>th</sup>	Youth Farmers Market – Last Day to Order Apples
October 4 <sup>th</sup>	Youth Farmers Market & Apple Sale Pickup
October 11 <sup>th</sup>	Youth Farmers Market
October 18 <sup>th</sup>	Youth Farmers Market, if there is still produce

**Flower Power Fundraiser**

The garden has once again partnered with Flower Power as a source for your bulbs and perennials for your fall planting at home. The garden receives 50% of all your purchases. Please go to: <http://www.flowerpowerfundraising.com/i/t/383077/f3zq45XnnH6c>

**SAVE THE DATE - Fall Garden Cleanup**

October 19, 2013 - Volunteers of all types needed. We will be turning beds, composting and anything to put the garden away for the winter and get a head start on next spring.

**Volunteer Opportunities**

For details please go to: <http://steele.dpsk12.org/enrichment/steelegarden/volunteer-opportunities/>

**Youth Farmers Market Helpers** - Join the YFM team on Friday afternoons to work with the 5<sup>th</sup> graders to harvest, package, market and sell fresh produce after school.

**Garden Maintenance Lead** – Plan for and prepare the garden for student planting and organize volunteers. Time as needed, April through October.

**Planting Helpers** – You will assist the Plant Lead with planting activities arranged and scheduled with classes throughout the year. Must be available during school hours.