

2014 FFA - Growing Together

To receive a grow light, we ask that each interested FFA/school:



- Complete the information below
- Be willing to pick up grow light from the Wallace Building in Des Moines, Iowa*
- Confirm that food service is willing to offer a garden item in a school meal
- Provide signature of school principal or authorizing administrator
- Complete and submit the School Garden Harvest Inventory
- Be willing to plant fruits/vegetables (specialty crops)
- Agree to teach curriculum pertaining to the garden project
- Provide us with a summary of findings/data resulting in the use of the grow light
- Complete the Performance Report and return it to us by November 1, 2014
- Provide us with any pictures, comments, press used in conjunction with this project
- Submit this request by March 24, 2014

IDALS will provide:

- **Grow light: Compact Tabletop Sunlite® Garden**
This compact light stand delivers bright, full-spectrum light that seedlings need for healthy vigorous growth. The Light Fixture contains two high-efficiency T-5 Florescent Tubes. These smaller profile tubes produce more full-spectrum light than old style fluorescent tubes, yet use 20% less electricity. Pull chains on each side of the fixture provide easy height adjustments. Assembly takes less than an hour and the only tools you'll need are a Phillips screwdriver and a hammer or rubber mallet.

Grow lights are limited. Qualifying applications will be picked on a first-come, first-serve basis with priority given to first-time applicants. *Pick up is preferred. If grow lights are shipped, the applicant bears the risk of damage and will not be replaced.

Please email this form or fax it to us by March 24 at 515-281-6178

2014 Participation Form

FFA Advisor: _____ Position: _____ Email: _____

Food Service representative: _____ Email: _____

Principal Name: _____ Federal Identification #: _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

City _____ County _____ Zip _____

Will you be creating or expanding a school garden? Creating Expanding

Please list the items you plan to plant: _____

Will you plant any items you have not grown in the past? Yes No

If yes, what new items do you plan to plant? _____

Does your school/FFA have a greenhouse? Yes No

Do you have an approved location to establish a garden? Yes No

Please describe briefly proximity to school _____

Is it in a visible location to parents/visitors? Yes No

Is there any protection from vandalism or contamination? Yes No

Who will maintain the garden when school is not in session? school staff student volunteer

How many FFA students will be involved with the garden? _____

What is the name of the FFA student representing your group? _____

What email address can be used for your student representative? _____

Is food service willing to incorporate a garden item in a school meal? Yes No

Do you want your FFA to be listed (as a grower) in a directory for food service? Yes No

Are you interested in selling fruits/vegetables to other schools in the future? Yes No

Please list any other comments:

By signing here you authorize the school to participate in this “FFA-Growing Together” initiative.

Printed name of authorized school representative

Title

Signature

Date

If you have any questions regarding this funding contact:

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