

# Re: Student Action Kits

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Sent Items

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Thanks for the information Carey! I'm including our Learning for Life coordinator on this e-mail chain, since she is taking over our outdoor classroom efforts.

I'd love help on getting money for a student action project, especially for an outdoor classroom/pollinator garden. I am in the MAEOE environmental justice class and there is a \$500 grant for student action projects I'm going to use for our outdoor classroom, but if there is additional money out there, we'd love help in getting it.

Do you want to come in and visit again? It might be easier to talk plans/specs/design if you get eyes on our space. Landscape design is definitely out of my wheel house and any help would be greatly appreciated. My planning is from 9:00-10:20. I'm free everyday next week except Tuesday the 5th.

If the ecotype Gardner wants to join that would also be incredible to have their insight.

As always, you are such a valuable resource and we appreciate your commitment to improving FCPS schools!

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**From:** careymurphy@aol.com <careymurphy@aol.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2024 10:28:52 AM

**To:** Janet Ady; Brotherton, Brian C

**Subject:** Re: Student Action Kits

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Hi Brian:

The garden kits includes just supplies: gloves, trowels, a Native Plant garden sign, plant ID markers, Kaufman's guide to Insects, USFWS Native Plants for Wildlife Habitat and Conservation Landscaping Guide, a garden hose and a 5 gallon bucket.

The PD at the workshop will include our recommended list of plants based on your space, how students can lead the design, and additional resources you may need (sources for plants, design inspiration, etc.).

We heard in early February from MAEOE that they still have money for student action projects. I helped write the garden grant for Windsor Knolls Middle and they received about \$800 to include the plants, etc. Let me know if you want me to share that info - I think you could copy and paste much of it. If you are interested, we should check with MAEOE to make sure they still have funds.

Also, there is a new local ecotype gardener in Thurmont who is growing native plants, and I'm sure she would be interested in working with the school in some capacity (she's just starting out). Wild Spirit Natives.

I have put in three different gardens at Sugarloaf Elementary and have the specs/designs for a few more, if you need it.

If it's easier to talk through any of this, call me at 301.412.3164.

Many thanks!  
Carey

On Tuesday, February 27, 2024, 10:02:19 AM EST, Brotherton, Brian C <brian.brotherton@fcps.org> wrote:

Hi Janet and Carey,

I'm excited about the student action kits you are providing us with. Just a quick question, what is included in the \$250 pollinator garden kit?

We are going to use those supplies to kick start an outdoor classroom, but FCPS facilities is going to want as much information as possible (species, # of plants, etc.)

Thanks for all of your help!

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