

What Can We Learn From Beans? Celebrating Diversity through Heirloom Beans and Paul Fleischman's *Seedfolks*

Cornell Garden-Based Learning's 2018 Statewide Youth Development Project FAQs

Q: I am a formal or informal educator not affiliated with Cornell Cooperative Extension, can I participate?

A: Participating groups must be in partnership with their local Cornell Cooperative Extension. Our program's mission is to support CCE throughout NYS. We ask that the primary contact person be a CCE staff member.

Q: I sent in an application, does that mean I am automatically enrolled?

A: Due to extensive interest last year, we will be reviewing applications and selecting groups to participate. You will be notified shortly after the application deadline.

Q: What if I want additional copies of *Seedfolks*?

A: Look into loaning additional copies from your local library or purchasing used copies online. Used copies can be found online for as little as 1 cent.

Q: What if I want additional seeds?

A: More often than not, garden centers will donate or discount seeds for school or community garden projects. Get in touch with your local stores and ask!

Q: Where do I find the Cornell Garden-Based Learning curriculum that was mentioned in the promotional flyer?

A: The Cornell Garden-Based Learning curriculum: *Youth Grow, Discovering Our Food System* and *The Three Sisters* can be found on our website at no cost, <http://gardening.cals.cornell.edu/lessons/curricula/>.

Q: I like your ideas of ways to use *Seedfolks* and the beans, but I have some additional ideas of my own. May I integrate them?

A: Of course! We do encourage you to use our resources, and at the same time, are eager to hear what you may wish to include. If you depart significantly from our suggestions, we'd like to hear what you plan to do.

Q: Why are participating groups required to share photos and an impact statement?

A: We'd like to highlight the creative ways participating groups are engaging their communities with the 2018 Statewide Project. Highlights will be shared on social media and the Cornell Garden-Based Learning website. Impact statements allow us to collect data to put towards our annual report thus fueling our program efforts to offer similar opportunities in the future.

Q: How do I share photos and an impact statement?

A: Project photos and impact statements can be emailed directly to Fiona Doherty at fcd9@cornell.edu or uploaded to our shared box folder. You will gain access to the shared Box folder after registration. <https://cornell.box.com/s/giwkd4yl7rk9nhsqegmceaufou256aop>.

Q: What if I don't share photos or an impact statement?

A: Groups who share photos and an impact statement will be prioritized participants for the 2019 statewide project.

Do you have additional questions? Please email Fiona Doherty at Fcd9@cornell.edu.