

# Growing Healthy Waves

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#### Taste Tests! Taste Tests! Taste Tests!



Year 6 with FoodCorps brings a hometown service member, Bethany Dawson, to work with GHW. Bethany loves to cook and has done Taste Tests with squash, radishes, turnips, bell peppers, cherry tomatoes and mozzarella. Her two schools of focus are Pierce Street and Rankin, and she's been busy teaching classes in both schools.

#### Nation School Lunch Week 2019

Southeastern Regional officials from the USDA, top MDE nutrition leaders, MS FoodCorps managers, and the MS Farm to School Network co-director visited Lawndale Elementary's garden and cafeteria for NSLW19. Fourth grade students entertained the guests followed by a delicious lunch featuring Mississippi fare from local farms.



### Building Gardens and Planting Gardens x 4



Old garden beds were torn out at Lawndale and replaced by 5 new beds built by Lawndale parents from Harrisburg Baptist Church. Pierce Street's beds, built last spring, had new soil added and were planted by students. Rankin will get 3 beds built Oct. 26 on another Serve the Community Day, and Thomas Street is replacing old beds with new ones on that same day. TPSD's garden program is strong.



## Sprout House Happenings

The Sprout House has gotten a new look. Maintenance installed a sink, picnic tables have been moved closer for classes to meet, and the Tower Garden is flourishing. The plan is for poinsettias to be grown and sold for a fundraiser.





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