



***SEPTEMBER 23-27, 2019 is JERSEY FRESH FARM TO SCHOOL WEEK
HIGHLIGHT WHAT GROWS IN THE GARDEN STATE!***

The last week in September is when New Jersey celebrates our agricultural past, present and future with schools across the state. Connecting the classroom to the cafeteria, curriculum that supports nutrition education and healthy eating. School gardens and school meals are what Farm to School is all about.

CELEBRATE NEW JERSEY TOMATOES with JERSEY TASTES!

We celebrate the New Jersey tomato crop in September with our Jersey Tastes Tomato tasting on Tuesday, September 24th. You can hold your own tomato tasting and find some New Jersey tomatoes at the New Jersey Department of Agriculture's [Find Jersey Fresh](#) link. Learn which farms are selling tomatoes, hosting field trips and connecting with schools.

We've got [Jersey Tastes Tomato flyers](#) to download and print, as well as two-sided [Tomato Fun Facts](#) for classroom instruction.

If you're hosting a taste test with our state's delicious tomatoes, print out our taste test stickers in [round](#) or [square](#) formats. Divide students into groups to debate why they "Loved It", "Liked It" or decided it was "Not for Me". Have them vote and use the results to discuss fractions. Give them an opportunity to write a descriptive paragraph about the taste of the tomato, its texture, color and smell.

Are you trying to come up with an idea for a Farm to School activity? Visit our [Farm to School Activity Ideas](#) for inspiration.