

LOS ANGELES GROWING PLAN

School Year Calendar vs California Growing Season

SCHOOL YEAR					SUMMER			SCHOOL YEAR			
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
							AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	

LATE SUMMER CROPS *AUGUST - NOVEMBER*

Three Sisters Gardens: Corn, beans, squash, pumpkins, sunflowers, garbanzo beans, and herbs

The late summer growing season begins in the heat of mid-summer, and continues until the slightly cooler temperatures of November. We use this opportunity to grow one of our favorite traditional north american gardens which produces some of our favorite crops: 3 sisters garden

LATE FALL CROPS *OCTOBER - FEBRUARY*

Winter Crops: Garlic, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, cilantro, kale, spinach, radishes, lettuce, peas, onions, collards, bok choy, nasturtium, parsley,

Los Angeles winters are warm, allowing us to continue to grow cool season vegetables. These cooler temperatures allow us to grow a larger diversity of crops in the school garden.

SPRING CROPS *MARCH - MAY*

Spring Themed Gardens: Root Veggie Garden, Salad Garden, Plant Parts Garden, and Garlic Garden

The spring growing season is short and sweet. We plant our themed gardens after spring break and harvest them before school lets out for the summer. The garlic garden continues to grow after being planted last fall.

SUMMER COVER CROPS *MAY - SEPTEMBER*

Cover Crop: Cow Peas

As we grow vegetables through the entire school year, we recommend giving your gardens a rest during the summer with a cover crop. Cow peas provide nitrogen, keep your garden soil shaded during the hottest months of the year and provide beans for harvest at the start of school.