The Arizona Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom Program is offering *Growing Garden Grants* to schools who wish to utilize a garden to enhance their student’s learning experience. All teachers are encouraged to participate, from all schools, and all grade levels. There are two different grants available for application.

**Starter Grants** There will be *two (2) $2,500 Starter Grants* awarded to schools who are looking to begin a school garden.

**Continuing Garden Grants** There will be *ten (10) $1,000 Continuing Garden Grants* awarded to schools who need financial assistance to continue their already existing school garden program.

**Timeline**
- Application Opens: August 1, 2020
- Application Closes: October 30, 2020
- Winners will be notified by December 1, 2020
- Checks will be sent to winners December 1, 2020
- Progress Reports due no later than March 1, 2021
- Grant Reports due no later than May 1, 2021

**Tips for Completing the Application**
- Grant Applications must be submitted through the google form application [HERE](#).
- Applications that include the use of Arizona Farm Bureau materials and resources will be given priority through the selection process.
- Applications that show involvement across grade levels and classrooms will be given priority through the selection process.

**Reporting Requirements**
Grant awardees will be required to update the Arizona Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom Program on their Growing Garden Project progress by submitting a one-page *progress report no later than March 15, 2021*. Grant awardees are also required to submit a *final report no later than May 15, 2021* highlighting the achievements and student involvement with their school garden. Reports should be submitted as a pdf to [aitc@azfb.org](mailto:aitc@azfb.org). If you do not feel that you will be
able to comply with these reporting requirements, please do not apply. Recipients who do not complete these requirements will not be eligible to apply for future funds.

**Progress Reports should include:**

- Progress made on your Growing Garden Project including purchases made (item and cost), student involvement, and steps and programming to still be completed
- Any roadblocks you have encountered
- 3-5 relevant pictures of work being completed (please submit AZFB AITC parent photo release forms for any included students)

**Final Reports should include:**

- 5-6 digital images of your Growing Garden Project, including photos of students participating in and utilizing the garden as part of a larger curriculum (please submit AZFB AITC parent photo release forms for any included students)
- A summary of the garden program
  - How were students active in the planning and completion of the Growing Garden Project?
  - How was the Growing Garden Project utilized to support education?
  - How will you continue to use the Growing Garden Project into the future?
  - What were the successes of the program?