August 22, 2020

Dear Aggie Staff, Families, and Friends,

The Aggie Abundance Covid Victory Garden has grown into an amazing project. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered and supported the garden. I was away this past week, however thanks to so many wonderful people the garden continued to thrive and the farmstand ran smoothly, I can’t thank you enough. A special thank you to Diane Brodeur, Jeff Thompson, Lisa Garrett, Lauren Faser, and Peter Kane for all of your help, effort and dedication. Thank you to all of our volunteers; Pam Kane, Camille Collins, Maggie Mannion(‘23), Tori Morin (‘23), Johanna Barber (‘24), Kate Barber, Ellie Johnston-Manby (‘23), Casey Maeve Bermingham (‘21), Alee Winkler (‘21), and Allyson Proulx (‘12). We appreciate all of your hard work.

We have been harvesting tomatoes, eggplants, and peppers. We have many different varieties of tomatoes in many different shapes, sizes, and colors. The peppers are of both hot and sweet varieties and have lots of flavors. The eggplants are an Italian variety and they along with the tomatoes and peppers love the long hot days we have had this month.

We will be working in the garden on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 AM - Noon. Please consider volunteering. The Aggie Abundance produce will be given away on Thursday, August 27th from 4-6 PM. Four volunteers are needed to work the Farm Stand. Volunteers should arrive on Thursday at 3:00 to help set up. We will be using the Snack Shack and athletic tent as our farm stand. It will be in the parking lot behind Kemp Hall, near the walkway to Plant Science.

Volunteers with experience watering are needed to water the garden in the evening. Please remember to bring your own gloves, mask and water bottle. If you volunteer, please take pictures and share them with me so I can post them on our website which can be found here and linked to the school website. Click HERE to volunteer. Thank you for all your support and for volunteering your time. As grocery prices continue to soar, it is great to know that we are helping so many families in need.

Sincerely,

Lisa Collins