

SPROUTING SEEDS OF KINDNESS

St. Mary School, Ridgefield

2018-2019
PROJECT UPDATE



Grant Amount=\$700



200 Students Impacted
Kindergarten-Grade 8

PURPOSE: To provide an opportunity for students to appreciate the plant life cycle from seed to plant to seed again.

IMPACT: The grant allowed students in multiple grades to participate in planting, tending to the plants and harvesting the seeds. This project allowed for a more hands-on experience with agricultural practices. Our garden included strawberries, mint, and parsley. We purchased a composter and taught students the importance of composting to add nutrients to the garden and to practice a more environmentally friendly way to reduce waste. Each classroom was provided a coffee can to put in their compostables. Once they decompose, it will be added to the garden.

FUTURE PLANS: Yes, we hope to continue this in future school years. There are funds remaining from the original grant to sustain the experience for several years.

