



# SUMMER RETREAT | AGENDA

Chico Hot Springs Event Center, Pray MT

## Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Time	Session + Location
9:00AM - 9:50AM	<b>Attendee Check-in – Knowles Room</b> All school teams must check in during this time.
10:00AM - 11:00AM	<b>Welcome, Team Introductions, and Morning Keynote – Knowles Room</b> How Farm to School Can Change the World   Betsy Rosenbluth, Vermont FEED
11:00AM - 12:15PM	<b>Team Time 1 – See room assignments on page 3</b> Team icebreaker Review rubric Create F2S values statement – See F2S Action Plan
12:15PM - 1:00PM	<b>Lunch – Knowles Room</b> Individuals with dietary restrictions should ask the serving staff for assistance.
1:00PM - 2:00PM	<b>Breakout Session 1 – Knowles, Broderick, Townsend Rooms</b> See session descriptions for session options.
2:00PM - 3:20PM	<b>Team Time 2</b> Action plan - Section I: Procurement   Buying + Serving Local Foods
3:20PM - 3:30PM	<b>Break</b>
3:30PM - 4:30PM	<b>Breakout Session 2 – Knowles, Broderick, Townsend Rooms</b> See session descriptions for session options.
4:30PM - 5:00PM	<b>Afternoon Plenary – Knowles Room</b>
5:00PM - 6:00PM	<b>Break: Great time to soak, walk, bike, or relax!</b> See the Chico handout for activity ideas.
6:00PM - 7:00PM	<b>Dinner, Evening Program, Keynote – Knowles Room</b> Montana in the National Farm to School Landscape   Andrea Alma, USDA Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Community Food Systems Keynote: Building Community Through School Food   Anneliese Tanner, Chef Ann Foundation
7:00PM - 7:30PM	<b>Coach Debrief – Broderick Room</b> Coaches + Coach Committee

## Wednesday, August 17, 2022

7:00AM - 8:00AM	<b>Breakfast – Knowles Room</b>
8:00AM - 8:30AM	<b>Welcome Plenary – Knowles Room</b> Building Your Program Strategy and Evaluating Your F2S efforts   Betsy Rosenbluth, Vermont FEED
8:30AM - 10:00AM	<b>Team Time 3</b> Action Plan - Section II: Education + Curriculum Integration
10:00AM - 10:10AM	<b>Break</b>
10:10AM - 10:40AM	<b>School Team Networking + Collaboration – Knowles Room</b>
10:40AM - 11:30AM	<b>Team Time 4</b> Action Plan - Section III: School Garden
11:30AM - 12:20PM	<b>Lunch – Knowles Room</b>
12:20PM - 12:30PM	<b>Transition</b> Proceed to your tour start/departure location. The bus for the Livingston tour will leave promptly at 12:30pm.
12:30PM - 5:00PM	<b>Tours</b> See session descriptions for session options.
5:00PM - 6:00PM	<b>Break: Great time to soak, walk, bike, or relax!</b> See the Chico handout for activity ideas. BINGO due at 6:00pm
6:00PM – 7:00PM	<b>Dinner + Evening Plenary – Knowles Room</b>
7:00PM - 7:30PM	<b>Coach Debrief – Broderick Room</b> Coaches + Coach Committee

## Thursday, August 18, 2022

7:00AM - 8:00AM	<b>Breakfast – Knowles Room</b>
8:00AM - 8:30AM	<b>Morning Plenary – Knowles Room</b> Farm to School Perspective   Evan Van Order, Living Root Farm
8:30AM - 10:10AM	<b>Team Time 5</b> Action Plan - Section IV: Integration + Staying Power
10:10AM - 10:30AM	<b>Break</b> Good opportunity to check out of room if haven't already. Check out time is 11am.
10:30AM - 11:30AM	<b>Team Work Makes the Dream Work Panel</b> Moderator: Andrea Alma, USDA Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Community Food Systems Elle Ross, Hardin School District Charlie Michel, Northwest Food Hub Network Mary Anne Keyes, MSU Extension Kim Lloyd, St. Peter's Health
11:30AM - 11:50AM	<b>Lunch – Knowles Room</b> Time to get lunch and then eat with school teams during final team time.
11:50PM - 12:30PM	<b>Team Time 6 (Final)</b> Finalize Action Plan Prioritize goals and objectives Create presentation
12:30PM - 1:30PM	<b>School Teams Present Action Plans – Knowles Room</b>
1:30PM - 2:00PM	<b>Closing – Knowles Room</b> Resource Roundup Prizes drawn--must be present to win! Evaluation Return CEU Attendance Forms
2:00PM - 2:30PM	<b>Coach Debrief – Broderick Room</b> Coaches + Coach Committee

## Team Time

“Team Time” is when school team members and their coaches will get down to the business of making a farm to school action plan as well as strengthening your team! The agenda specifies a different prompt or section of the F2S Action Plan for each of the six Team Times. To make sure you complete the entire F2S Action Plan, please follow these recommended times, returning to any incomplete sections that need more time as time allows. During Team Time, schools will divide into the rooms as indicated below, but are welcome to move their conversations outside. Please be on time when returning from Team Times.

- Hamilton Team: Knowles
- St. Ignatius Team: Broderick
- Power Team: Townsend



# SUMMER RETREAT | SESSION INFO

## Morning Keynote

**Tuesday, August 16, 2022 | 10:30 - 10:50am**

### HOW FARM TO SCHOOL CAN CHANGE THE WORLD

Knowles | Betsy Rosenbluth

Learn the impact of farm to school and the Farm to School Institute model, how it connects to national efforts, and why this matters.

## Breakout Sessions #1

**Tuesday, August 16, 2022 | 1:00 - 2:00pm**

### INDIGENOUS FOODS TO SCHOOLS

Knowles | Mariah Gladstone

Experience Indigenous foods during this cooking demonstration and learn how to incorporate Indigenous knowledge and Native food sovereignty into farm to school.

### WHAT'S THE LATEST ON LOCAL PROCUREMENT?

Broderick | Andrea Alma, Jay Stagg, Drew Blakenbaker

Buying local sounds like a great idea, but sometimes it's harder in practice than it sounds. In this session, we'll discuss how to approach buying local, or how to expand your local purchasing efforts. We'll explore what an initial conversation with a producer might look like and a farmer and food service director will share tangible examples and ideas. Get ready to contribute, explore, ask questions, and brainstorm what local procurement could mean for your school!

### FOOD SERVICE MEETS FOOD LITERACY

Townsend | Brianna Routh, Anneliese Tanner

In this session, we will explore the evidence-based benefits of farm to school efforts. We will also consider what research indicates behavior change is happening. Then we will discuss how and why farm to school programs need to consider and include evaluation. We will look at all aspects from a food service, local food literacy, and education lens!

## **Breakout Sessions #2**

**Tuesday, August 16, 2022 | 3:30 - 4:30pm**

### **PROMOTING YOUR FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM**

**Knowles | Molly Kirkham, Megan Randall**

This presentation includes strategies to promote the successes and needs of your program. Learn how Montana Harvest of the Month can help to promote your farm to school efforts and gain ideas from Farm to School of Park County's promotion strategies and outcomes.

### **STUDENT ENGAGEMENT, YOUTH VOICE, AND THE COLLABORATIVE APPROACH TO FARM TO SCHOOL**

**Broderick | Megan Vincent, Betsy Rosenbluth, Cultivating Connections**

Examine practices and pedagogies that shift learning to be more student driven. Explore examples of successful farm to school collaborations between youth and adults.

### **NATIVE FARM TO SCHOOL RESOURCES**

**Townsend | Nicole Benally**

Learn from Indigenous Food Sovereignty efforts and explore materials and resources that support Native farm to school programming.

## **Evening Plenary**

**Tuesday, August 16, 2022 | 6:10 - 6:25pm**

### **MONTANA IN THE NATIONAL FARM TO SCHOOL LANDSCAPE**

**Knowles | Andrea Alma**

Montana is a unique state comprised of unique communities. Farm to school in every community looks different, reflecting the values, priorities, agricultural landscape, and strengths of that community... and farm to school in Montana looks different from farm to school in Rhode Island or Hawai'i! We'll learn where Montana sits compared to other states in the national landscape of farm to school, and in particular, what types of programs and states we might look to for inspiration. We'll also explore a few of the many resources available to support farm to school efforts.

## **Evening Keynote**

**Tuesday, August 16, 2022 | 6:25- 6:55pm**

### **BUILDING COMMUNITY THROUGH SCHOOL FOOD**

**Knowles | Anneliese Tanner**

Anneliese Tanner, Senior Director of Research and Assessment at the Chef Ann Foundation, will discuss the impact of school food, how the National School Lunch Program has become what it is today, and how we can get back to community-based food programs that stimulate local economies, uplift school food culinary professionals, and support student's whole health.

## Tours

**Wednesday, August 17, 2022 | 12:30 - 5:00pm**

Pick a tour, any tour! Tours will be outside, so please come prepared for rain or shine, wearing and bringing what you need to be comfortable standing and moving about outside all for the entire afternoon. Bring a water bottle to stay hydrated. Light snacks will be provided, but feel free to bring your own.

### **TOUR FARM TO SCHOOL OF PARK COUNTY'S LINCOLN SCHOOL FARM Offsite - Livingston | Megan Randel**

Join us for a tour of our Farm to School of Park County's flagship growing space! Located in downtown Livingston, the Lincoln School Farm is our main educational hub in the summer and also serves as a space for community engagement. The garden features eighteen rows of crops that are in annual vegetable production, a perennial permaculture garden that includes fruit trees and native plants, a small greenhouse, pollinator habitat, a vermicompost bin, and a shade structure. All the food grown at the Lincoln School Farm is used to supply Livingston Public Schools with fresh produce for school meals. We will tour the garden, discuss our growing techniques and how we developed the space, and we will get to do some harvesting and snacking from the garden!



Meet in front of the Convention Center and follow Jason Mandala to the bus. Bus will begin loading at 12:20pm and depart promptly at 12:30pm. The bus will return to Chico at 5:00pm.

### **FARM TO SCHOOL EDUCATION IN THE GARDEN AND BEYOND Chico | Stephanie Laporte Potts**

Join educators from Gallatin Valley Farm to School to explore ways to incorporate hands-on education into your farm to school program, whether or not you have a school garden. We will tour the Chico Hot Springs Garden, visit GVF2S's mobile greenhouse bus, Bob, and explore the nature of Chico while modeling a variety of farm to school lessons and activities that meet learning standards while connecting kids with local foods. We'll discuss ways to meet learning needs and strategies for adapting to the place you're in and the materials and environment you have.



Meet in front of the Convention Center and follow Juni Elston and Gayla Randel to your tour location. The session will begin promptly at 12:30pm.

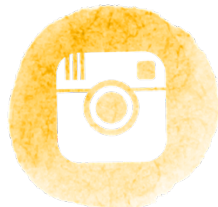
## Morning Panel

Thursday, August 18, 2022 | 10:30 - 11:30am

### TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK PANEL

Knowles | Andrea Alma, Elle Ross, Charlie Michel, Mary Anne Keyes, Kim Lloyd

You have some farm to school champions, you have a plan... but how can you really make sure your farm to school successes become integrated into your broader school community, and last long into the future? The answer often lies in partnerships and collaborations that leverage community strengths, energy, and resources. We'll engage with four experts in farm to school collaboration from around the state about what has worked for them, and you'll walk away with all sorts of great tips and ideas for strengthening your own farm to school team.



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