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Fall 2010 School Garden Grant Application

Slow Food First Coast, a non-profit organization that works toward creating a food system that is based on the principles of quality and pleasure, environmental sustainability, and social justice, is offering three teachers the opportunity to receive a school garden kit valued at over \$250.

Who can apply? Any currently employed St. Johns County elementary school teacher.

What will you receive if selected? Your school garden kit will include:

- an easy to assemble and transport (no tools required) 4' X 8' container garden raised bed made of recycled plastic
- organic soil
- heritage seeds and plant starters
- a school garden guidebook
- lesson plans correlated to Sunshine State Standards, and
- mentoring with Master Gardeners and other teachers who have successfully implemented school gardens in the past

What do you need to do?

- Plant an organic garden during the 2010-2011 school year
- The garden must include food (herbs, vegetables, etc.)
- Have administrative support
- Include plans on integrating the garden into your curriculum
- Use vegetables grown in the garden for a taste experience for your students
- Continue the garden project beyond the current year
- Provide feedback and some sort of portfolio (website, photos, journal entries, etc) at year's end

To qualify, a completed application form must be received by Monday, September 20, 2010 via email to Richard Villadóniga at rvilladoniga@yahoo.com or by mail at Slow Food First Coast, PO Box 951, St. Augustine, FL 32085.

4. How will you incorporate a taste experience for your students that emphasizes the pleasure and benefits of fresh, seasonal, organic foods and addresses nutrition and child obesity?

5. How will you incorporate community outreach with your garden?

6. What kind of portfolio do you expect to have at school year's end to demonstrate what you did with your garden?

7. Will you be able to plant a garden immediately for the spring season?

8. Will you, classroom parents, or your PTO/SAC be able to purchase basic gardening tools?

9. Do you have administrative approval? Please provide your principal's signature below.

Print Name

Signature

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