2018 URI School Garden Conference  
Saturday, October 27th 2018  
9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Pharmacy Building Room 170  
University of Rhode Island, Kingston

CONFERENCE AGENDA

8:30 am  Conference registration  
Conference sign-in; Coffee/tea for conference participants

9:00 am  Welcome, Introductions, About URI Cooperative Extension  
Kate Venturini & Kate Lacouture, URI Cooperative Extension

9:15 am  Imagining School Gardens as Hubs for Family & Community Engagement  
Zoe Hansen-DiBello, Ph.D.  Founder of Ethos Education Strategy Consulting

9:30 am  Pop-up lesson: Rainbow Chips  
Kim Pond, UMass Extension Educator, URI School Garden Mentor (SGM)

10:20 am  Break and networking

10:30 am  Tips and Tricks for Outdoor Learning  
Kelly Shea, Education Specialist, URI GEMS-Net

11:00 am  Make it Easy: Recommended Models for School Gardens  
Kate Lacouture, School Garden Coordinator, URI Cooperative Extension

11:30 pm  Lunch with Speakers; Networking; Exhibitors Fair

1:00 pm  Now Use It! Simple Tips to Increase Educational Utilization of School Gardens  
Melissa Pace, Garden Educator at Massachusetts Horticulture Society, URI SGM

1:40 pm  Pop-up lesson: Seed Diversity and Time Travel  
Melissa Guillet, Art & Environmental Science Teacher, Founder of 15 Minute Field Trips, URI SGM

2:00 pm  Break and networking

2:15 pm  Garden-based Curriculum Workshop & Ideas Exchange  
Melissa Pace with Kim Pond, Betsy Motyl, Dee Walls

3:00 pm  School Garden Troubleshooting Panel  
Zoe Hansen-DiBello, Kelly Shea, Melissa Pace, Melissa Guillet, Kate Lacouture

3:30 pm  Closing Remarks, Raffle, & Evaluation  
Kate Venturini & Kate Lacouture, URI Cooperative Extension

We look forward to receiving your feedback before you leave today. Please bring your completed evaluation form (located in your folder) to the registration table by the end of the day. Thank you!

To see a full listing of conference resources please visit uri.edu/sgi/conference/