

Murphy HS gifted \$35,000 for Farm-to-Table program

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MOBILE, Ala. (WPMI) — Getting nutritious and healthy food can be harder for : based off where they live.

create their own food in greenhouses and raised plant beds. Students not only grow healthy food, they also learn how to cook it.

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Murphy High School is the first school in MCPSS to have a Farm-to-Table program.

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"This should be in every school around the country really," said 11th grader, S Stallworth.

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The farm to table program incorporates math, science, and culinary arts into a learning class. Rebecca Mullins is a science teacher at Murphy and her husband They've had this dream since 2021. Because of Murphy's 28 acres of land, a farm several plant beds and a greenhouse, would be a great addition to the space! plants are starting to show off their leaves.

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"The ultimate goal would be that you teach the children that you can grow food in containers and if we have children that lives in apartments, they usually don't have green spaces," said Rebecca Mullins.

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Mayor Stimpson says sometimes people think fresh food comes from the grocery store. In certain locations like food deserts, it's hard to find but with this program students learn how to do it themselves.

"Students that live in the cities, they don't realize that all this is grown on farms. Having to do just what they do is plant it, cultivate it, harvest it, and then transport it. Mayor Stimpson

Spire sponsored the whole program, gifting the school with around \$35,000.

"Having a program like the farm to table program for these students creates a fun for them to make learning fun," said President of Spire Alabama Joseph Hamp

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"From planting it from just a sprout from a seed and then really seeing it grow harvest from it and eating it and benefitting from it is like really cool to me," said grader, Hang Touch.

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The students say they can't wait for everyone to come back in a few months at food.

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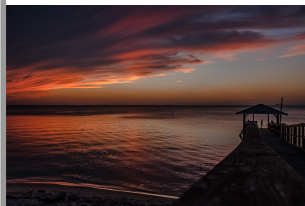
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