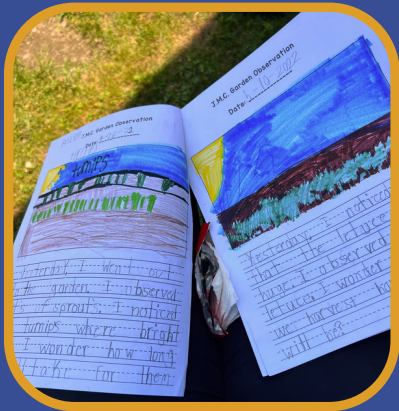
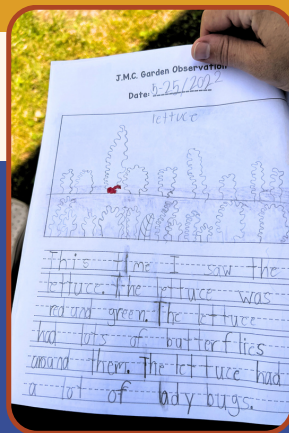


CHECK OUT THESE Highlights!

Fall 2022 marked an important milestone in HFHK's expansion with the addition of Indian River School District's Early Learning Center (ELC). Janet Hickman, Director of ELC, was thrilled to have her students pilot our brand-new preschool curriculum. These lessons, designed by Program Manager Jen Cipolla, demonstrate just how much science our youngest learners can get out of gardening!



Teachers at John M. Clayton (JMC) Elementary School engaged their students beyond just growing food by creating observational journals. Students monitored their garden's progress throughout the growing season while sharpening their creativity and writing skills. At JMC, they aren't just growing veggies, they are cultivating future scientists!

After months of searching for a garden location for Lewis Dual Language Elementary, HFHK was fortunate to partner with Green for the Greater Good and West Side Grows. Our innovative partnership allows students at this urban school to have growing space and community support throughout the season. Located in the Rodney Reservoir Community Garden, just a short distance from the school, students and staff enjoy the added benefits of a mindful walk. We look forward to watching this partnership grow in the years to come.



THANKS A BUNCH

Laffey-McHugh Foundation

Our speaker series at Serviam Girls Academy during the summer of 2022 was a huge success. Thank you to our sponsor **The Laffey-McHugh Foundation**. The girls learned about plant diseases and pests, pollinators and honey, herbs and their medicinal properties, and nutrition through 'eating a rainbow'.

Serviam Scholars saw their garden grow from small plants and seeds to huge crops of herbs and vegetables; they even tasted quite a few things along the way! We were thrilled to include their families in our big harvest at the end of the series.

Thank you to our speakers, including Dr. Toyo Ajayi from FMC Corporation, Dr. Thalia Pappas Vice-Chair of HFHK, Dr. Melvina Brown from InnerSource Wellness Center and Urban Regenerative Sustainability and Ashley Haller, MS, RD, LDN, CLC and Kim Kramer, RD, CSP, LDN, CLC from Nemours Children's Health.



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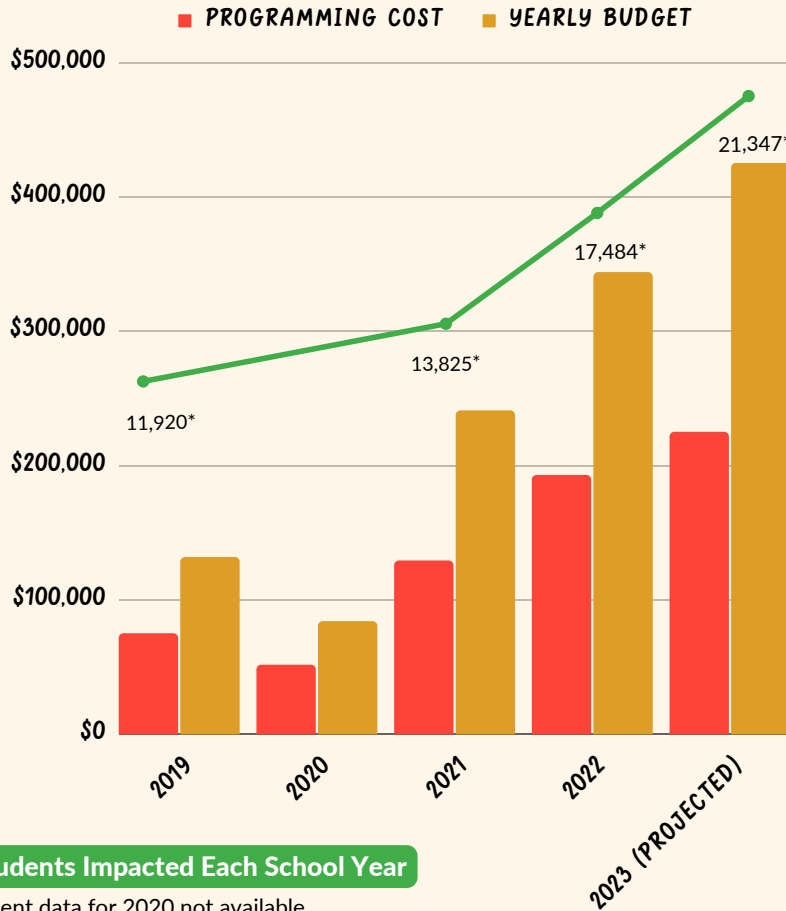




A PEA-K AT THE NUMBERS



BUDGET AND PROGRAMMING COST 2019-2023



*Students Impacted Each School Year

Student data for 2020 not available due to COVID-19 school closures

Between 2021 and 2023, HFHK accelerated its growth throughout Delaware. During this time, HFHK kept programming costs stable at about 50% of the annual budget while doubling the number of participating students. That means over 17,000 students learned how to grow their own food in the 2022-2023 school year.

Delivering our valued program to more schools and students required adding two new paid staff positions and increased supplies to support our garden growth. To keep pace with this growth and programming needs, we must increase our donations, sponsorships, and monetary support so vital to our success.

'22-'23 HIGHLIGHTS



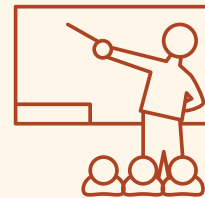
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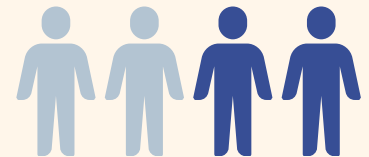
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SCHOOLS STATEWIDE



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NEW TEACHERS TRAINED



IN 2022, HFHK ADDED 2 FULL-TIME STAFF POSITIONS, DOUBLING OUR STAFFING CAPACITY!

HOW YOU CAN HELP Veggie-cate!



VOLUNTEER

We always need extra hands to help in and out of the garden. Whether building gardens, filling seed packets or assisting with events and grants, we offer a variety of fulfilling ways you can get involved! We cannot do it without you, our generous volunteers.



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Plant your company, family or group name firmly in a school garden that is growing fresh vegetables and young minds by adopting a school garden. Or join our growing list of Community Champions. It's your chance to demonstrate a tangible commitment to local communities, STEM, and children's health.



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Invest in the future of our children growing up healthier in Delaware! Our school garden education program is not possible without friends like YOU. No amount is too small and every dollar makes a difference. Whether you sign up as a monthly donor, donate yearly, attend an event, or simply share a fundraising post, your help matters!



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