Membership Application and Process

Membership Application
Organization: Name:
Email: Telephone:
Address: Website:

Please answer YES or NO to the following questions.

1. The Farm to School Leadership Team meets six times per year in the metro area for 2 hours. Additionally, team members plan 1-2 meetings each year with the coordinator. Planning calls average 45-60 minutes. Will you be able to make this time commitment? ___ Yes _____ No

2. Farm to School Leadership Team members are selected based on their statewide or regional reach in Minnesota. Does your organization work statewide and/or regionally? ___ Yes _____ No Please explain:

3. Would your organization’s representative to the team be able to influence systems within their organization? __ Yes ____ No Please explain:

Please answer the following questions.

4. Why is your organization interested in joining the Farm to School Leadership Team?

5. How does your organization align with the team’s purpose, mission, principles and approaches to joint action? (See team agreement below)

6. Describe how your organization will bring in new constituents and different perspectives than those already represented on the team. (See team agreement below)

7. The Farm to School Leadership Team is interested in working with organizations that will carry the broader Farm to School message to positively influence their networks. Tell us how your organization would coordinate with other organizations to advocate and spread a broader message.

Process

1. Organization/partner nomination brought forward by current team member.

2. Organization/partner completes membership form and sends to coordinator.

3. Coordinator and planning team build membership discussion into next meeting agenda.

4. Team to discuss and evaluate organization/partner using criteria within membership form. (*If team member is not able to join the regularly scheduled meeting, this team member will send their comments to coordinator a minimum of one day before the scheduled meeting.)

5. After the meeting, each organization has one week to vote yes and or no. Votes will be sent to coordinator.

• If an organization/partner receives majority votes (2/3 or 66%), then coordinator will extend an invite for this organization/partner to join the team. If an organization fails to respond within one week or chooses not to vote, this will count as a ‘no’ vote. If an organization/partner does not receive a majority vote, the coordinator will summarize the team’s discussion and comments and communicate back to the organization/partner within two weeks of the meet.