**Farm to Early Care and Education: Resources and References**

General Resources:

* National Farm to School Network, Farm to Early Care and Education - <http://www.farmtoschool.org/our-work/early-care-and-education>
  + Resource Database - <http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources>
* USDA, Farm to Preschool - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-preschool>
* Farm to Preschool, Urban and Environmental Policy Institute - <http://www.farmtopreschool.org>

Curricula:

* USDA, Grow It, Try It, Like it! - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/grow-it-try-it-it>
* Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project (ASAP), Growing Minds - <http://growing-minds.org/farm-to-preschool/>
  + Free lesson plans for every month of the year, parent and teacher newsletters
* Harvest for Healthy Kids - <http://www.harvestforhealthykids.org>
  + Free downloadable activity kits including picture cards, teacher information, parent newsletters, and recipes
* Institute for Agriculture and Trace Curriculum Package - <http://www.iatp.org/documents/farm-to-childcare-curriculum-package>
* Children’s Country Day School, How’s It Growing - <http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/hows-it-growing>
  + Includes list of 50 garden related books

Gardening:

* Starting a Preschool Garden, A Menu of Options - <http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/starting-a-preschool-garden-a-menu-of-options>
* Guide to Preschool Gardens in Wyoming - <http://www.farmtoschool.org/resources-main/guide-to-pre-schoo-gardens-in-wyoming>
* 1000 New Gardens, Bozeman - <https://1000newgardens.wordpress.com>
* MSU Extension, Yard and Garden - <http://www.msuextension.org/category.cfm?Cid=5>

Purchasing Local Foods (General and Montana Specific):

* Farm to Early Childhood Programs: A Step-By-Step Guide - <http://foodsystems.msu.edu/resources/farm_to_early_childhood_guide>
* Montana Farm to School - <http://opi.mt.gov/Programs/SchoolPrograms/School_Nutrition/Farm2School.html>
* Farm to Cafeteria Manual for Montana - <http://farmtocafeteria.ncat.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/FTC_Manual_090313.pdf>