

Madison Food Policy Council Report for May 4, 2016

Madison Metropolitan School District

1. We have identified 8 local farms within 150 miles of Madison that we will be working with to supply fresh produce to MMSD. This was the result of the Request for Information Process that took place in February 2016. We are in the process of completing a local Produce processing RFP. This has the potential to procure thousands of pounds of fresh local produce into our child nutrition programs starting as early as this July.

2. Three more water refilling stations have been installed at MMSD Elementary schools this month in celebration of "National Drinking Water Week". Allis, Lindberg and Lake View Schools were chosen by the Healthy Kids Collaborative of Dane County to receive the stations, which were funded by Madison Water Utility and installed by the Madison Metropolitan School District.

The collaborative and its community partners American Family Children's Hospital, YMCA of Dane County and Madison Water Utility also make sure each and every child and staff member can use the stations by handing out more than 1,200 new water bottles. "Got Water" celebrations are being held at each site to educate students on the benefits of drinking fresh water.