

# APRIL 11TH, 2025 SISD GREENHOUSE UPDATE

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## APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS

*April has been a busy month of planting seeds and preparing for spring plant sales, harvesting spring salads for the cafeterias, attending a Health Fair, Hollis School Day trip, Aquaponic and fish tours, and hosting elementary class field trips for Winter Seed Sowing and Mothers Day Projects in the Greenhouse !*

## SPRING SALADS

*Butter-crunch, Oak-leaf, and Romaine Lettuce as well as Arugula and Spinach aphid free are going to our school cafeterias and available for sale! The Yellow Sticky papers, zappers, and winter cleaning, along with improved security procedures, swift response from our team, and help from Maintenance has produced bountiful sweet tasting results this month!*



## SISD HEALTH FAIR

*The SISD Health Fair was a great opportunity to share information about the therapeutic and healthy productive benefits of Aquaponic Gardening and showcase our most recent harvest of lettuce and red tomatoes for salad side dishes from the greenhouse in April!*







## HAPPY PLANTING

*Using clean milk and water jugs that we drilled holes in the bottom of and adapted to mini greenhouses, we planted special tomatoes, cucumbers, peas, carrots, onions, and potato that will be ready to go home with the students in May to be transplanted in thier home hanging baskets, greenhouse, and/or raised beds!*

## REDUCE, REUSE, AND RECYCLE

*What makes the seeds special is that they are all seeds that require only 60 days or less till harvest that fits our short summer season that allows many pounds of produce to form for harvest! What makes the seeds strong is experiencing the natural weather environments outside instead of under artificial lights!*



## LET'S GROW SISD!

*Spring is a great time to plan while planting for the coming seasons, while weather can be unpredictable... seasons, holidays, and celebrations are predictable and the energy, effort, dedication, and discipline now will ensure a full pantry for winter later!*







*We have been planting seeds and have also received over 11,000 Power Plugs for our Spring plant sales and are busy transplanting and creating stunningly colorful and fragrant baskets as well as edible basket arrangement arrangements to keep out of deers reach to increase our food security ready for Prince of Wales Island!*

## SISD IS GROWING STRONG!

*Featuring our Hollis School this month as Lisa Fluck-Cates, Julie Vasquez, students, and community volunteers plan and prepare the Hollis greenhouse and grounds for exciting visionary student led spring growth and planting!*



### Upcoming Plant Sales Thorne Bay and Coffman Cove Greenhouse:

*9am to Noon:*

*Fridays and Saturdays starting April 18th then throughout May and June!*

*Coffman Cove, Hollis, Naukati, Kassan, Whale Pass, PA will have Hanging Baskets onsite for sale in May!*