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Subject: The School District Palm Beach County will be participating in numerous events to honor Food Day on Wednesday, October 24, 2012.

Food Day is a nationwide celebration and a movement for healthy, affordable, and sustainable food. The movement was created by the Center for Science in the Public Interest and is led by a diverse coalition of food movement leaders and citizens. The priorities address overarching concerns with the nation’s food system and encourage individuals to “eat real” by enjoying fresh fruits, vegetables, and whole grains.

Food Day Talking Points:

- ✓ Promote safer, healthier diets
- ✓ Support sustainable and organic farms
- ✓ Reduce hunger
- ✓ Reform factory farms to protect the environment and animals
- ✓ Support fair working conditions for food and farm workers

Food Day Activities:

Representatives from The School District of Palm Beach County will be participating in a Panel Discussion hosted by the Palm Beach County Food Bank at the Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium. Steve Bonino, Director of Palm Beach County School Food Service Department and Chair of the School District’s Wellness Promotion Task Force and Paula Triana, Assistant Director of Palm Beach County’s School Food Service Department and Co-Chair of the School District’s Wellness Promotion Task Force will be among several community members and agencies to speak on behalf of Agriculture in our county.

S.D. Spady in Delray Beach will be utilizing Food Day as a kick-off for their school garden by hosting events throughout the day. The school is partnering with School Food Service Department and Pero Family Farms to have an educational table set-up during lunch for students to taste test a variety of locally grown fresh produce. The samples include: freshly steamed green beans, sweet pepper bruschetta, and yellow squash/green zucchini slices.