DIGITAL MAGAZINE



Duarte Unified School District

Teaching Kids About California Agriculture - Food, Farmers & Fun!





"Balancing Nutrition, Physical Activity and Knowledge for all to lead healthy productive lives."

- Duarte Unified School District Food & Nutrition Services



DUSD Garden

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

FRIVERS WARKET FRIDAYS

Duarte Unified School District Food & Nutrition Services is proud to be participating in **Farmers Market Fridays** serving California crops and celebrating local farmers.



<u>Lettuce</u>



Carrots



Apples



Pears



California produces 70% of all lettuce grown in the U.S.



California produces the most lettuce in **Monterey County**.

Darker green lettuce leaves are MORE nutritious than lighter green leaves.

Main Types of Lettuce:

MOST

Lettuce prefers to grow in **colder**

climates.

Iceberg lettuce (also known as crisphead) is the most popular type of lettuce in the U.S.



LEAST

Lettuce is a part of the sunflower family.

Lettuce is the

2nd

most popular vegetable in the U.S.



- 2. Crisphead
- 3. Looseleaf
- Romaine







Lettuce is water.



Because of lettuce's water %, it must always be eaten

FRESH.

Taylor Farms

Taylor Farms was founded by **Bruce Taylor** in **1995**.



Taylor Farms started in Salinas Valley, California – known as *America's Salad Bowl*.

Taylor Farms is the

LARGEST grower of organic leafy greens in the U.S.

Dedicated to a sustainable future.

Sollings Volley CA.

Bruce Taylor was a thirdgeneration farmer.



Each year, **3 BILLION seeds** are

planted at

Taylor Farms.

64% of Taylor Farms land is **organic**.



24,000 team members.



85% of all carrots grown in the U.S. come from California.

Around **61,000 acres** of carrots are harvested in California each year.

Carrots are
88%
water.

Carrots take
4 months
to complete
growing.

Carrots are the second most popular vegetable in the world, after potatoes.

2,000 carrot seeds fit in

1 teaspoon.

Carrots thrive in overall **cooler** temperatures.

Carrots can survive entire WINTERS underground!

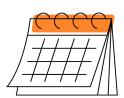
The world record for the longest carrot is over **19 feet!**

Carrots are **biennials**, which means they have a 2-year life cycle.

Kern Ridge Growers

Kern Ridge Growers has been family owned & operated since 1973.

"We pride ourselves in providing our customers **premium quality** and **excellent service**."



Kern Ridge
Growers
ownership
consists of
4 families,
each with
50+ years
of carrot
industry
experience.



Kern Ridge Growers carrots are available year-round.



Produce both conventional & organic carrots.

Kern Ridge Growers grow, pack & ship their carrots.



Anin CA.

Started off by packaging cello carrots.





Apples are grown on **25,000+ acres** throughout California.

California is **the 5**th **largest** apple producing state in the U.S.

Types of Apples CA Specializes In:

21% of apples are juiced.

- 1. Gala
- 2. Fuji
- 3. Granny Smith
- 4. Pink Ladies

apples make 1 gallon of cider.

2,500

varieties of apples are grown in the United States.

All of the U.S. produces **250** million bushels of apples each year.



An **apple blossom** is the flower that comes from an apple tree.

An apple tree takes at least **4 years** to start producing fruit.

Most apples are HAND-PICKED.



Brisa Ranch

Brisa Ranch is a **small**, **organic** farm founded by **3 friends** in **2018**.

Brisa Ranch was started by **Cristóbal Cruz Hernández**, **Verónica Mazariegos-Anastassiou**& **Cole Mazariegos-Anastassiou**.

"Farming is a labor of **love** for us."



Brisa
Ranch sells
directly
to their
customers.

Pescodero, CA.

Brisa Ranch
is located
Alongside
Año Nuevo
State Park.

15 acres of land.



Brisa Ranch grows a wide variety of organic fruits, vegetables & flowers.

Their location is home to **ecologically diverse** farmland.





California is home to around 60 pear farms.

The average size for a pear farm in California is 130 acres.

Pears used to be called "butter fruit" because of their soft texture.

Over 3,000

varieties of pears.



The majority of pear farms in California are family owned.

Pears ripen best after they are picked.

> Pears are a part of the rose family.



The most fragile fruit.

BUTTER

Pear tree wood is often used to make musical instruments.

Pears grow in **cooler** climates.



ALL pears are picked by HAND.

Common types of pears: Anjou, Bartlett, Bosc, Comice & Forelle.







Scully Packing

Scully Packing was founded on **quality** & built on **long-term relationships**.

Scully Packing is a family partnership between — Phil and Toni Scully and their two sons.

Scully Packing was started in **1984**.

35% of all California pears are packed at Scully Packing.

Packing
packs pears
from **EVERY**growing
region in
California.

50% of the pears packed by Scully Packing are homegrown on their farm - Scully Farms.

Scully Packing provides both **organic** & conventional pears.

USDA ORGANIC

"Your single source for California's **best** pears."





California is the **number 1** milk producing state in the U.S.

46% of California milk goes into making California cheese.

Breeds of Dairy Cows:

- 1. Ayrshire
- 2. Brown Swiss
- 3. Guernsey
- 4. Holstein
- 5. Jersey
- 6. Milking Shorthorn

Holstein cows all have a unique pattern of spots!

1 cow produces around6 gallons of milk per day.

The reason milk is white is because it contains "casein" - a type of protein.

California is home to 1,100+ dairy farms.

Nearly **98%** of U.S. dairy farms are family owned & operated.

ALL 50 states have dairy farms!

The U.S. produces

~21 BILLION gallons of milk each year.

Farmers measure milk in **pounds**.

Milk is the source of **ALL** dairy products!





17 BILLION pounds of milk
produced/year by
CDI dairy farms.

Driftwood Dairy's 5 Core Values:

- 1. Local Economies
- 2. Sustainability
- 3. Valued Workforce
- 4. Animal Welfare
- 5. Nutrition

El Monte CA.







Avocados

Bell Peppers

Blueberries

Broccoli

Brussels Spouts

Cabbage

<u>Cantaloupe</u>

Carrots

Cauliflower









Raspberries

Rice

Tangerines

<u>Apples</u>	Celery	<u>Limes</u>	
<u>Apricots</u>	<u>Cherries</u>	Milk	
<u>Artichokes</u>	<u>Cucumbers</u>	<u>Nectarines</u>	
<u>Arugula</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Okra</u>	
<u>Asparagus</u>	<u>Dragon Fruit</u>	<u>Olives</u>	

Garlic **Green Beans** Grapefruit

<u>Grapes</u> Honeydew **Kiwifruit**

Kumquats Lemons Lettuce

Spinach <u>Squash</u>

Strawberries Sunflowers <u>Oranges</u>

Passion Fruit **Sweet Corn** Peaches **Sweet Potatoes**

Persimmons Tomatillos Tomatoes Plums

<u>Watermelon</u> **Pluots Potatoes** Wheat

Pumpkins

<u>Pears</u>