

Third Grade April Garden Visit Lesson Plan

Planning the Garden

Objective: Students will be able to design a garden with the understanding that even though organisms differ, they have a similar life cycle.

Standard: 3-LS1-1. Develop models to describe that organisms have unique and diverse life cycles but all have in common birth, growth, reproduction, and death

Materials:

- Plant Planning Grids
- Surface to write on
- Pencils

Activities:

- Once arriving in the garden, the teacher(s) can explain how a garden is home to many plants and creatures. The teacher(s) will explain to the students that today they are going to be planning how they would organize the garden. Since there are four soil beds in the garden we can plan to plant a type of crop in each garden bed. The teacher can explain how even though all the plants that will be grown in the garden are different, but still share a similar life cycle.
- Students can design their garden beds using the plant grid worksheet. Students can design vegetable beds, herb beds, fruit beds, and flower beds.