

AGRICULTURAL LITERACY

The 'ĀINA In Schools Agricultural Literacy component introduces students to where their food comes from and who grows and cooks their food. Activities include field trips to farms, lo'i, loko i'a, farmers' markets, and restaurants, as well as classroom visits by farmers, chefs, and other food producers. These activities give students a taste of where fresh, local food comes from, and how it can be made into a delicious "close to the source" meal or snack.

These experiences also give students an introduction to career paths in agriculture and the culinary arts.

Grade Level Focus: All Grades

Educational Offerings

- **Grades K, 1, 2, 5, and 6** classes are encouraged to visit food production farms around the island.
- **3rd Grade** classes are encouraged to visit farms who compost.
- **4th Grade** classes are invited to visit traditional Hawaiian food growers including fishponds and lo'i kalo and host ku'i 'ai demonstrations.



- **All grade levels** have the opportunity to host farmer and chef classroom visits which often include sharing of career path and "typical day at the farm/restaurant" experiences, tastings of farm fresh food, and demonstrations of kid-friendly recipes.
- Many Agricultural Literacy activities can be aligned to academic standards and benchmarks. These are outlined for 3rd and 4th Grade field trips in our "'ĀINA Field Trip Resource Guide."

Getting Involved & Learning More

- Check out KHF's 'ĀINA Field Trip Resource Guide and Agricultural Literacy Partner list to get started.
- Kōkua Hawai'i Foundation's Field Trip Grants can assist schools with transportation and admission costs to visit a local farm.
- To support 'ĀINA In Schools, contact aina@kokuahawaiiifoundation.org.
- Subscribe to KHF and 'ĀINA In Schools e-newsletters for the latest information.
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'ĀINA In Schools: Six Integrated Program Components

