

OFE Growers Newsletter for October 13, 2022

This week we are studying planting seeds and transplant. We have been putting these practices to good use the last couple of weeks, we've planted lettuce, radishes, carrots, turnips, kale and collards. This week we also started harvesting our sweet potato crop which has been growing all summer long. In fact the 5th grade class before you all planted this crop just before the school year was complete. So you all will do the same for the next class sort of a pay it forward! So far we've harvested 216 pounds 14 ounces and we have only just begun. Last year we harvest 794 pounds, do you think we will beat that harvest?

Not only did we harvest sweet potatoes but we also planted cabbage in the orchard and harvested okra, some yard long beans, and eggplant.

Remember the sweet potatoes need to rest for approximately 10 days to 2 weeks before using so that the sugars in the sweet potato can continue to be converted into carbohydrates.

We were visited by the pumpkin decorators this week. I took a picture for you all to enjoy.



I am looking forward to more sweet potato harvesting next week and thank you for your great help removing the vines and finding all those sweet potatoes.