



OUR VISION: The multifaceted horticulture and animal husbandry work of The Urban Farm at St Laurence's College is a model and inspiration for creating livable, sustainable, connected urban communities, by building critical links between community, urban food production and education.

MISSION: Our mission is to promote and provide a practical working model of the sustainable production of food within an urban setting by

- 🌱 Designing, installing, maintaining, improving and managing ethical and sustainable food producing systems
- 🌱 Conducting all on-site activities with the assessment and mitigation of risks that may impact the health, safety or welfare of all stakeholders who are on-site with permission of the Principal or the Principal's agents
- 🌱 Conducting educational tours for student groups, staff and visitors to the college
- 🌱 Disseminating information about developing, operating and maintaining the urban farm to the wider community, professional associations and online communities
- 🌱 Providing opportunities for students, staff, parents and the wider community to become involved in after-school activities that supports the growth and maintenance of the urban farm in practical ways
- 🌱 Keeping in touch and up-to-date with current research, practices and ideas relating to sustainable food production in order to inform future decision making
- 🌱 Prioritising the sourcing of used materials and equipment for their re-purpose and re-use in our food producing systems

VALUES:

Caring for the planet We employ sustainable food producing principles and support community members who share our commitment to environmental stewardship.

Eco-justice We hold the unshakeable belief that ecology and social justice are inseparable.

Educating by doing We lead by example, and inspire and educate others to achieve their own visions for healthy and verdant communities.

Welcoming everyone We create spaces that are open for all to learn, share, grow, and nurture themselves, their families, and their neighbourhoods.

Maintaining transparency We are open and direct in our urban farming practices and committed to providing accurate information to our school community and to the wider community.

Safety in design We invest safe design and build principles in projects that applies over the entire life cycle of such projects.

Being ground-breaking We believe our innovations in urban farming can lead the cultivation of a healthier, greener school and city.



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