

# Procuring Local Foods Resources

## NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Resources

<http://www.ncagr.gov/>

NC Farm to School Program <https://www.ncfarmtoschool.com/>

Food Distribution Division <https://www.ncagr.gov/fooddist/>

NCDA&CS Grading Services <https://www.ncagr.gov/markets/gradnreg/>

Food Safety Audit Verification Program (GAP)

<https://www.ncagr.gov/markets/gradnreg/foodsafety/index.htm>

## NC DPI Child Nutrition Resources

<https://childnutrition.ncpublicschools.gov/>

NC K—12 Culinary Institute (Training and Recipes)

<https://childnutrition.ncpublicschools.gov/continuing-education/nc-k-12-culinary-institute>

Menu Planning and Production

<https://childnutrition.ncpublicschools.gov/regulations-policies/federal-regulations/information-resources/menu-planning-production>

Procurement

<https://childnutrition.ncpublicschools.gov/information-resources/menu-planning-production/information-resources/procurement>

- Procurement Plan Template
- Procurement Decision Process Flowchart
- Emergency Purchase Log
- Micropurchase Log
- Procurement Checklist
- Sample Terms and Conditions

## USDA Resources

USDA Food and Nutrition Service School Meals Policy Memos

<https://childnutrition.ncpublicschools.gov/regulations-policies/usda-policy-memos>

USDA Farm to School Fact Sheets <http://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/procuring-local-foods>

USDA Procuring Local Foods for Child Nutrition Programs

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/procuring-local-foods>

USDA, Community Food Systems, Procuring Local Foods

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/procuring-local-foods>

## Education Resources

NCDA&CS <https://www.ncagr.gov/htm/educational.htm>

NC Ag in the Classroom <https://www.ncagintheclassroom.com/>

NC Agricultural Associations <https://www.ncagr.gov/markets/assoc/index.htm>

Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project – Growing Minds Program

<https://asapconnections.org/growing-minds-farm-to-school/>

## Finding Local Farms

NC Farm Fresh [www.ncfarmfresh.com](http://www.ncfarmfresh.com)

Lists farmers, farmer's markets/roadside stands, Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) that sell direct to consumers.

NC Freshlink [www.ncfreshlink.com](http://www.ncfreshlink.com)

Lists farmers, shippers and packers that can sell in large quantities and ship long distances

Got to Be NC [www.gottobenc.com](http://www.gottobenc.com)

Lists members of the Goodness Grows in NC program; includes fresh and processed foods

Local Harvest [www.localharvest.org](http://www.localharvest.org)

Database of farms across the country

Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Program (ASAP) [www.asapconnections.org](http://www.asapconnections.org)

Non-profit organization that works with farmers, schools and communities in western NC