



Tomato Activities

Here are some activities you can implement in your classrooms that connect to the Georgia Early Learning and Development Standards (GELDS).

[Harvest for Healthy Kids](#) has an entire activity kit available for **free** download. This kit includes activity plans for tomatoes, picture cards, Teacher Bites Newsletter, Family Newsletter, and Recipes.

[Growing Minds](#) has a tomato exploration with taste test activity and book suggestion.

[DLTK](#) has Tom the Tomato Paper Craft directions and free template download to make.

[The Florida Tomato Committee](#) has some fun lessons for Preschoolers that can be easily adapted to incorporate Georgia Grown tomatoes!

Growing Vegetable Soup

APL 2.3a Demonstrates an increased willingness to participate in both familiar and new experiences.

Read the book ***Growing Vegetable Soup*** by Lois Elhert. Ask the children questions such as “How do vegetables grow?” Place pictures on the table to represent digging the hole, planting the seeds and watering. Have the children put the pictures in order. The children will now grow their own vegetable using a small cup, a bean, soil, and water. Show photos of different types of vegetable seeds and how they become plants. Show photos of gardening tools such as a watering can, rake, shovel, wheelbarrow, hoe, and gloves. Reinforce new vocabulary words such as vegetable, soil, protect, and prepare.

Pizza Making With Shapes

CD-MA6.4a Recognizes and names common two-dimensional and three-dimensional shapes, their parts, and attributes.

Create a Pizza Making prop box and place it in the dramatic play area. Using felt or construction paper make various shapes of items used for pizza toppings such as circle pepperoni, triangle cheeses, rectangle ham, or circle cherry tomatoes.