

# Martin Luther King, Jr. Ed. Center

“Opportunity Partners Success”

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## Horticulture Program

Horticulture Crews have been VERY BUSY!!

It's heavy harvest season on the farm, with *hundreds* of pounds of produce making its way to the kitchen... Beans, tomatoes, cucumbers, strawberries, watermelons, and raspberries are helping to keep the Culinary Arts Program very busy.

Special thanks to Phil Chesbro for his efficient leadership of the farm crews, to Ronnie Carper for his past and present work in the garden, and to the kitchen staff for their help with harvesting!

The crews have also been busy up the McKenzie; clearing trails, building retaining walls, and logging out downed trees.

Thanks to Alan Butler, James Martin, and Steve Olin for running safe and productive youth crews for our partnership with the USFS! The BLM and the City of Eugene continue to receive quality work from our youth workers under the fine leadership of James Martin, Alan Butler, Phil Chesbro, Steve Olin, and Jesse Herren!



## Summer Jobs Program

The Summer Jobs Program (WIA) has several youth obtaining valuable skills and training, during the last couple of weeks. We currently have two young men who obtained their *Forklift Certification*, at their summer placement, and are receiving great reviews on their effort and capability on the worksite. Other youth are obtaining their *Food Handlers Cards*, as well as positive references for their resumes. Several youth, working on our DYS Horticulture Crew, are being looked at to move to youth supervisor positions, due to their attendance, good work ethic and attention to details!! GOOD JOB to all the youth working this summer, keep up the great work.

