## Starting and Sustaining School Gardens Teacher-Training Intensive



For school garden facilitators at every level of experience - beginning, intermediary and experienced.



Saturday, March 17, 2012 8:30 am to 5:30 pm \$35.00 per person/limit 35 attendees Fee will cover the cost of compost, row covers, steel hoops, seeds, trays and starting mix, plus a lunch consisting of a hearty soup and green salad **Register online by going to:** http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BC3GZD6

> to be held at **Friends Academy** 1088 Tucker Road Dartmouth, MA 02747



Our second annual workshop will feature info about a variety of gardening basics: composting, seeding, transplanting, harvesting, plot design, planting schedules, fertilizers, soil management and soil testing. Additionally, the workshop will offer strategies for crop sequencing and seed selection plus professional grade materials to extend the growing season.



The first half of the morning schedule will consist of demonstrations, slide shows and discussions. After lunch you will have an opportunity to get a jump on the growing season in a hands-on way. We will supply industry-standard trays, high-quality starting mixes, and seeds for a variety of spring crops. You will seed two, 98 cell, durable plastic trays and take them home

with you – a practical way to get ready for your traditional mid-April transplanting.

We will also supply a couple bucketsful of high quality compost, steel hoops and 50 feet of row cover, which will protect against frosts and also accelerate growth in cool weather, making May and June harvests more likely and more productive.

In the afternoon, hands-on demonstrations of useful, kid-friendly tools and seeding/transplanting methods will be held in the Friends Academy garden, a site that over the past three years has produced more than 10000 thousand pounds of vegetables for local food pantries.

Professional Development Points will be available for attendees who complete the additional/required four hours of course-prescribed work.

