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Yolo County's State Fair Exhibit Wins the Gold and Blue!

(Woodland, CA) – This year, Yolo County took home a gold ribbon in the California State Fair Counties Exhibit competition, as well as a blue ribbon for ‘best content’. With this year’s counties exhibit theme, “From (our) County to Your Table”, Yolo County is excited to feature its successful Farm to School Yolo program with a giant tomato-shaped school house, an animated school room scene, a school garden with fresh produce from local farms and an informational slideshow.

Farm to School Yolo is a public health and agricultural marketing initiative that is changing the way students and young people eat, think about food, and improve their health through the development of life-long healthy eating habits. Farm to School Yolo works with all five Yolo County school districts and the Yolo County Office of Education’s Head Start Preschool Program to increase the amount of fresh, local produce offered in breakfasts, lunches and after school snacks. The program offers an opportunity to educate students and staff on food origins, how it was grown and how to prepare it for peak flavor and nutritional value.

The program is currently funded through a three-year California Department of Food and Agriculture Specialty Crop Block Grant.

“Farm-to-School Yolo is a piece of the puzzle in building a local food economy, turning the tide of childhood obesity and reconnecting our residents to the land and the people who produce our food,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Don Saylor. “We have a lot to be proud of here in Yolo County and are pleased to be recognized by the California State Fair for telling our story in this way.”

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Attachment: Yolo County’s State Fair Exhibit picture