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## **Reserve your School Garden CSA Share today!**

Calypso Farm and Student Gardeners invite you to become a shareholder in the 2012 Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program at the School Gardens. We want to offer you the unique opportunity to have access to fresh, local vegetables grown by Student Gardeners participating in Calypso's Engaging Alaskan Teens in Gardening (EATinG) Program!

This season we are offering full vegetable shares at 3 different school garden locations: Woodriver Elementary, Hunter Elementary, and Randy Smith Middle School. If you would like to be a shareholder at any one of our school gardens this year, **please call or send in your Payment Slip soon as we can only offer a limited number of shares.** Shares will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Another way to support the School Gardens is to **purchase a farm stand punch card!** Calypso has \$20, \$50 and \$100 punch cards available for each individual school garden. You can choose one garden, Hunter, Woodriver or Randy Smith, and are free to spend the money at that school's farm stand throughout the summer—choosing exactly what you want to buy!

### **Vegetable Shares**

This season we are offering full vegetable shares at 3 different school garden locations: Woodriver Elementary, Hunter Elementary, and Randy Smith Middle School. As a CSA shareholder, you enter into a partnership with the Student Gardeners. You support the garden financially and in return receive a weekly supply of fresh, locally-grown vegetables throughout the summer. All shares include a weekly harvest note with garden updates and recipes written by the Student Gardeners. A vegetable share feeds 4+ people, costs \$450 and lasts approximately 10 weeks, from mid-June to mid-August. Your share payment provides funding for the School Garden Initiative.

Calypso also accepts Food Stamps for CSA Share Payment and offers a sliding scale for those in need. Flexible payment plans are also available. If you are interested in either of these options please call Calypso's Office & Development Director, Isabeau Coskey, to find out more 451-0691.

### **Picking –up Produce**

Your pick-up day depends on the school. You choose between the three gardens offering shares this year. Pickups are at the following locations from 5-6pm:

Tuesday- Woodriver Elementary School, 5000 Palo Verde Avenue  
Wednesday- Randy Smith Middle School, 1401 Bainbridge  
Thursday- Hunter Elementary School, 1630 Gillam Way

You will be contacted at the beginning of the season with specific information about the first pick-up day.

Our mission is to encourage local food production and environmental awareness through hands-on education in natural and farming ecosystems.

## **Membership**

**Membership Requirement-** We ask all of our shareholders to demonstrate their commitment to Calypso's educational programs and efforts to improve food access and security in our community. Calypso is dedicated to providing its CSA members with delicious veggies all summer long; however, we have a much larger mission we strive to achieve, and we invite you to join us in our efforts! Membership is an annual donation of any amount that goes toward our educational programs.

**SGI Donation-** The School Garden Initiative is funded by Calypso Farm. Through the gardens, we are able to reach thousands of students and community members each year, providing educational opportunities and access to fresh, local produce for Fairbanks residents. Additional donations are voluntary and will go directly towards supporting the SGI.

## **Payment Plan**

A payment plan is available for any shareholder who prefers to make four incremental payments in place of one payment of the full amount. Those who choose this option will make a down payment of \$150 for a Vegetable Share. The remaining balance (including any additional costs- membership donation, etc.) will be divided into three equal payments due on the 1st of each month. If paying by credit card, Calypso will automatically deduct your payment on the 1st. If paying by check, you will receive an invoice reminder via email. All shares must be paid in full by June 1st.

## **Become a School Garden Shareholder Today!**

Please fill out the payment form mail it to:

Calypso Farm  
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Thank you for taking this opportunity to invest in the health of the Fairbanks community!

Kind Regards,

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