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Students Construct New Garden Beds at Dr. Alice Holloway Young School of Excellence and Francis Parker School No. 23

Who:

Students from the construction pathway at Edison Career and Technology High School and students from Dr. Alice Holloway Young School of Excellence and Francis Parker School No. 23

What:

Construction of new garden beds at Dr. Alice Holloway Young School of Excellence and Francis Parker School No. 23

When:

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 9 a.m., Dr. Alice Holloway Young School of Excellence

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 10:15 a.m., Francis Parker School No. 23

Where:

Dr. Alice Holloway Young School of Excellence **(9 a.m.)**
85 Adams Street
Rochester, NY 14608

Francis Parker School No. 23 **(10:15 a.m.)**
170 Barrington Street
Rochester, NY 14607

Details:

Students from Francis Parker School No. 23, Dr. Alice Holloway Young School of Excellence, and Edison Career and Technology High School are embarking on an innovative collaboration, bringing together students from all three schools. The construction of new garden beds at Dr. Alice Holloway Young School of Excellence will include students from the Construction and Design pathway at Edison and representatives from LeChase Construction. The school reached out to LeChase Construction to help replace an old wooden rail fence, and the construction of new flower beds will involve the addition of a new wooden picket-style fence with a mini-gravel walkway. Students from Edison will work on this project using the training they receive to handle lumber and use carpentry power tools.

"At LeChase, we feel being involved in the community is an important part of our company's culture," said Travis Miller, Business Development Manager at LeChase Construction. "Whether large Facilities Modernization Projects (FMP) or small projects like this one at Dr. Alice Holloway Young School of Excellence, they all represent a great opportunity to make a difference."

A similar project is underway at Francis Parker School No. 23, and students from its garden club are working with students from Edison who will gain hands-on experience by applying their construction skills to build new raised flower beds. The project will include collaboration, teamwork, and the opportunity to bring life and beauty to the School No. 23 campus.

“The garden project opens up opportunities for environmental education and awareness,” said Katie Yarett-Fenti, Principal of School No. 23. “Thanks to the generosity of students from Edison Tech, our elementary students, particularly those in our garden club, will have the chance to learn about gardening, plant life cycles, sustainability, and environmental conversation.”

The new flower beds will help serve as an outdoor classroom, and the experiences for students at all three schools will foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of nature and the importance of maintaining a healthy environment.