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Florida School Garden Competition

Today on Gardening in a Minute: the Florida School Garden Competition.

The Florida School Garden Competition is designed to recognize and reward elementary schools that include gardens in their curriculum.

It's sponsored by the University of Florida's Environmental Horticulture Department and the Epcot International Flower & Garden Festival, and many other gardening-related organizations.

Elementary schools throughout the state are invited to participate in the competition each year. The program provides an opportunity for teachers to gain recognition and win funds for their school's garden.

The competition is open to public, private, and homeschool gardens.

Entries consist of descriptions and photos of the gardens, and are judged by the sponsoring organizations.

Entries are judged on educational relevance, level of involvement, and quality of the garden.

Winners are awarded prizes to help fund their gardens in the future.

For more information about the Florida School Garden Competition, contact your county Extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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