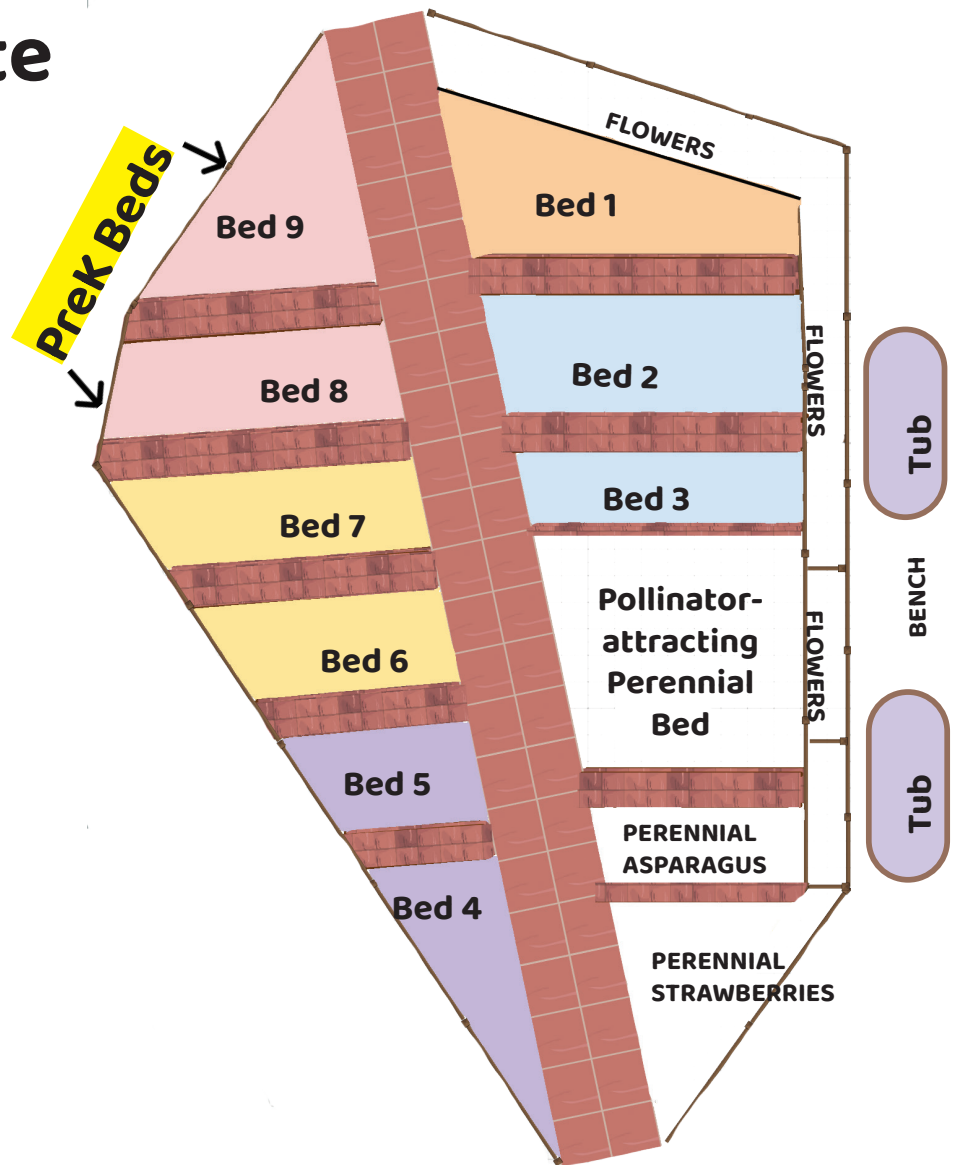
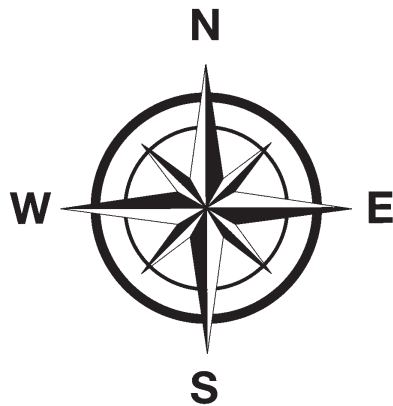
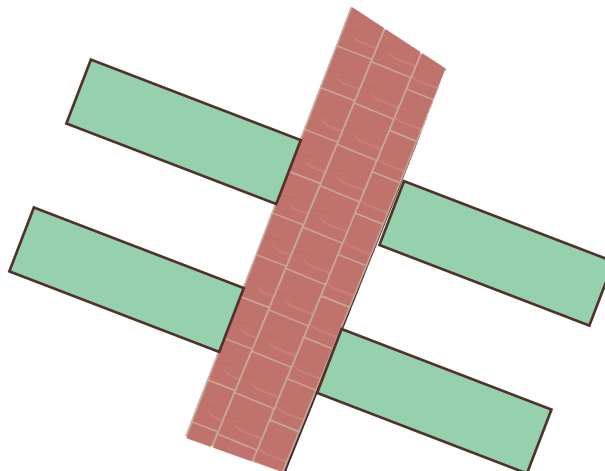


# 2023 Lafayette Elementary Garden Overview



Cinder Block Beds



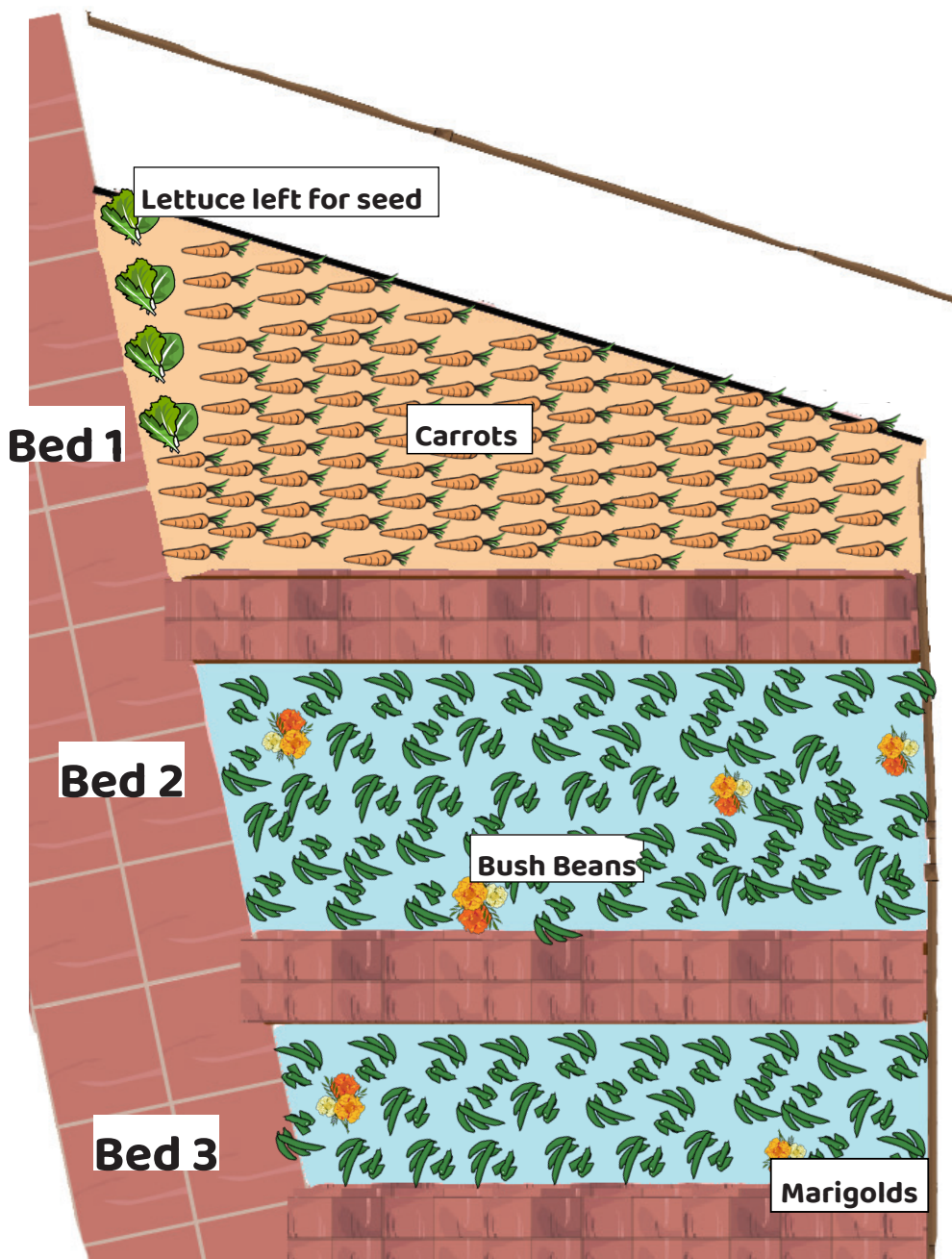
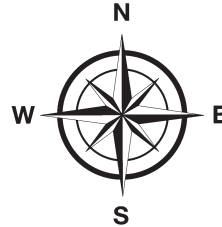
\* Cinder block beds are where lettuce was planted in March and grown for May harvest. These beds are equipped with clamps and brackets for season-extending caterpillar tunnels.

Color Key:	Cucurbit	Carrot	Nightshade	Brassica	Legume	Beetroot

# Carrot and Legume Families Beds 1,2,3

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+ Lettuce existing from "Natural Habitat" planting by first graders in March. We leave this in place for students to see it go to seed by the end of the season.



### Planting Instructions:

#### carrots

1/4 inch  
seed depth

spacing: one  
seed every 2 inches  
in each direction



#### marigolds

(plant starts  
provided)

spacing: interplant  
with legumes, 6  
inches away from  
bean seeds



#### bush beans

1 inch seed depth

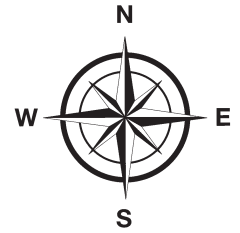
spacing: one seed  
every 10 inches



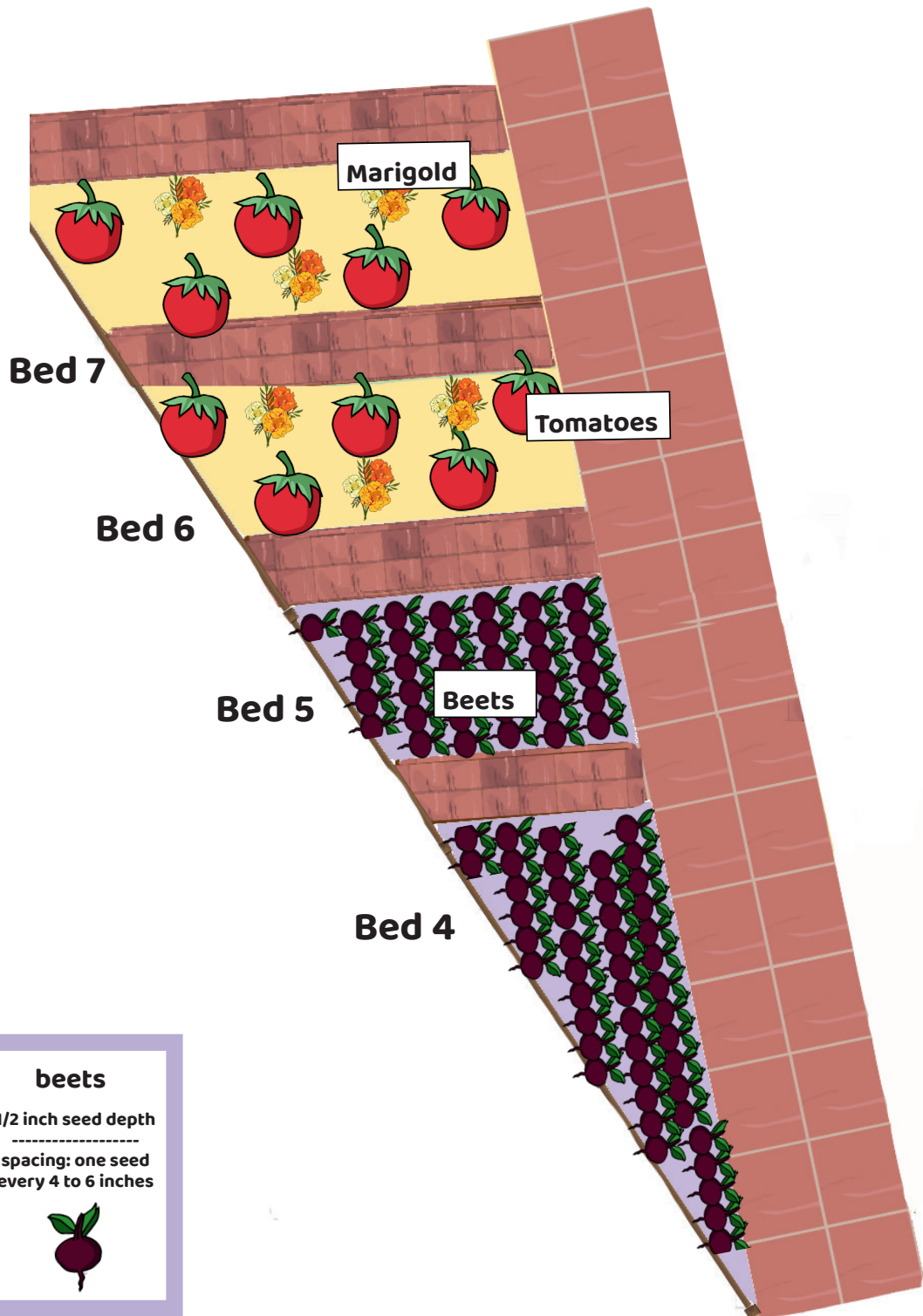
# Beetroot and Nightshade Families

## Beds 4, 5, 6, 7

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+ Marigold to deter creatures who like tomatoes



#### Planting Instructions:

##### tomatoes

(plant start provided)

spacing: one plant +/- every 2 feet



##### marigold

(plant starts provided)

spacing: interplant with nightshades, 6 inches away from other plants



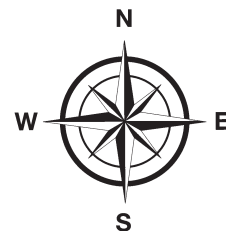
##### beets

1/2 inch seed depth

spacing: one seed every 4 to 6 inches



# Cucurbit Families— Beds 8 & 9 2023 Lafayette Garden



+ Sunflowers

Please allow PreK  
classes to plant these beds

## Planting Instructions:

### sunflower

1/4 to 1/2 inch  
seed depth

interplant with  
winter squash /  
pumpkins +/- 10  
inches from mounds



### winter squash

1 inch seed depth

spacing: three seeds  
in each mound\*  
(mounds spaced  
2-3 feet apart)



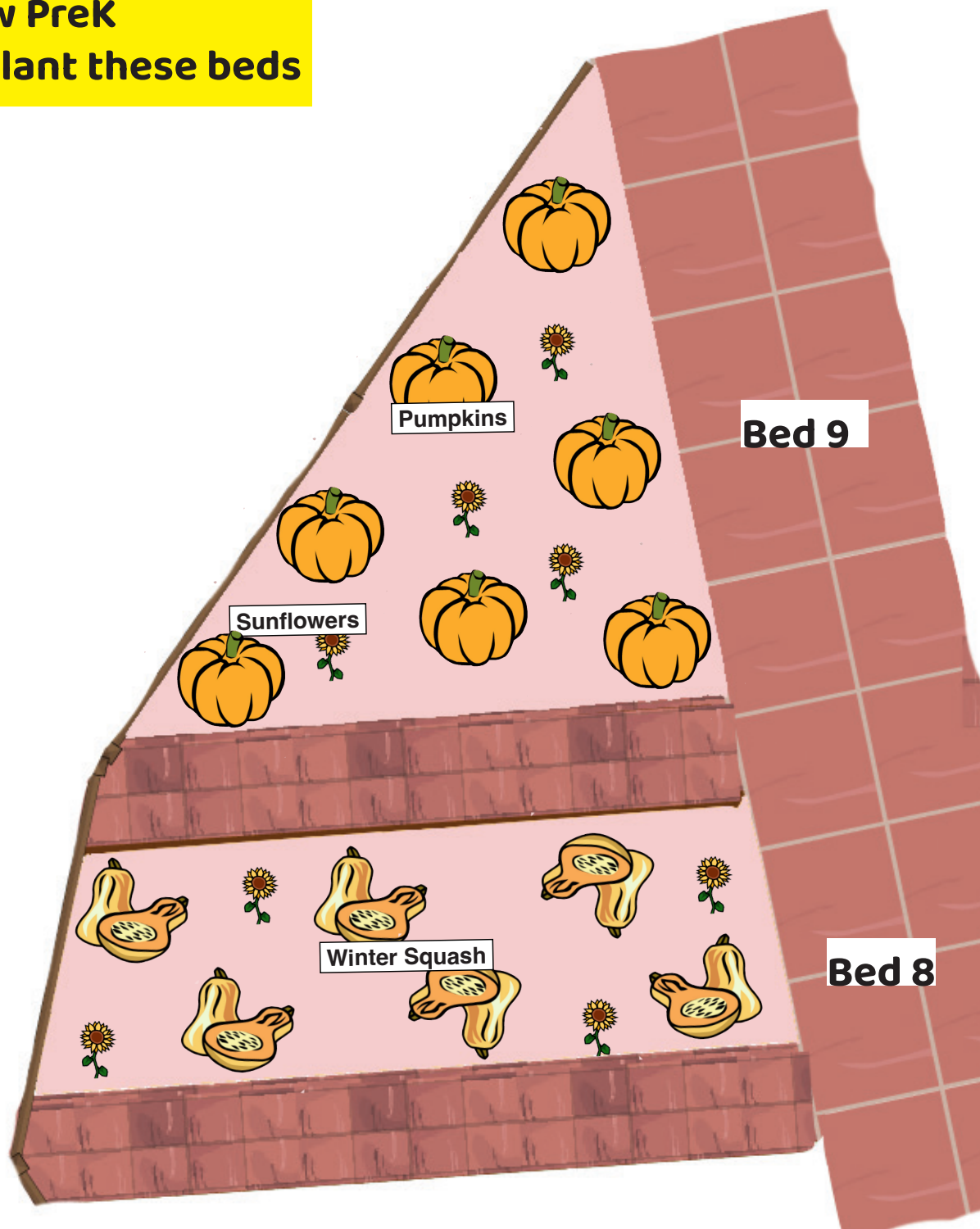
### pumpkin

1 inch seed depth

spacing: three seeds  
in each mound\*  
(mounds spaced  
2-3 feet apart)

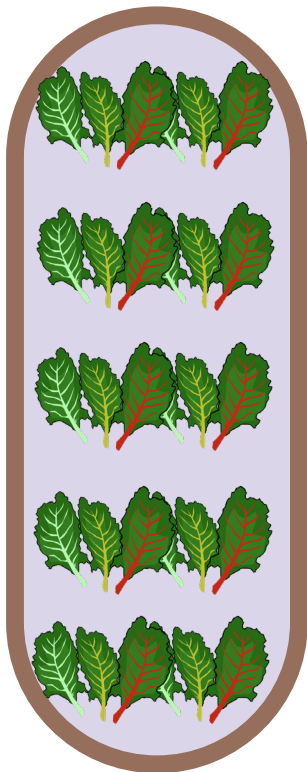
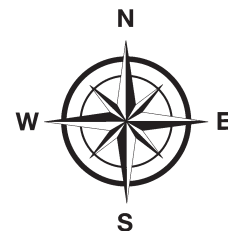


\*Each 'mound' of soil  
should be about  
1 foot wide and 4  
inches tall.



# Beetroot Family –Tubs

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### Planting Instructions:

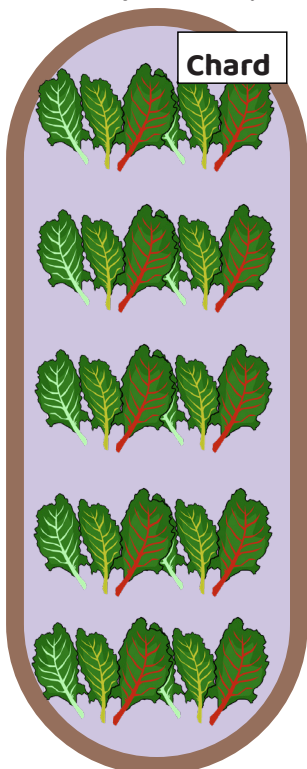
**chard**

1/2 inch seed depth

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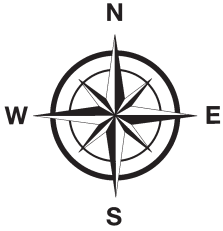
spacing: one seed  
every 8 inches

-----Beds are separated by a bench-----



# Brassica Family—Cinder Block Beds

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### Planting Instructions:

#### radish

1/4 inch seed depth

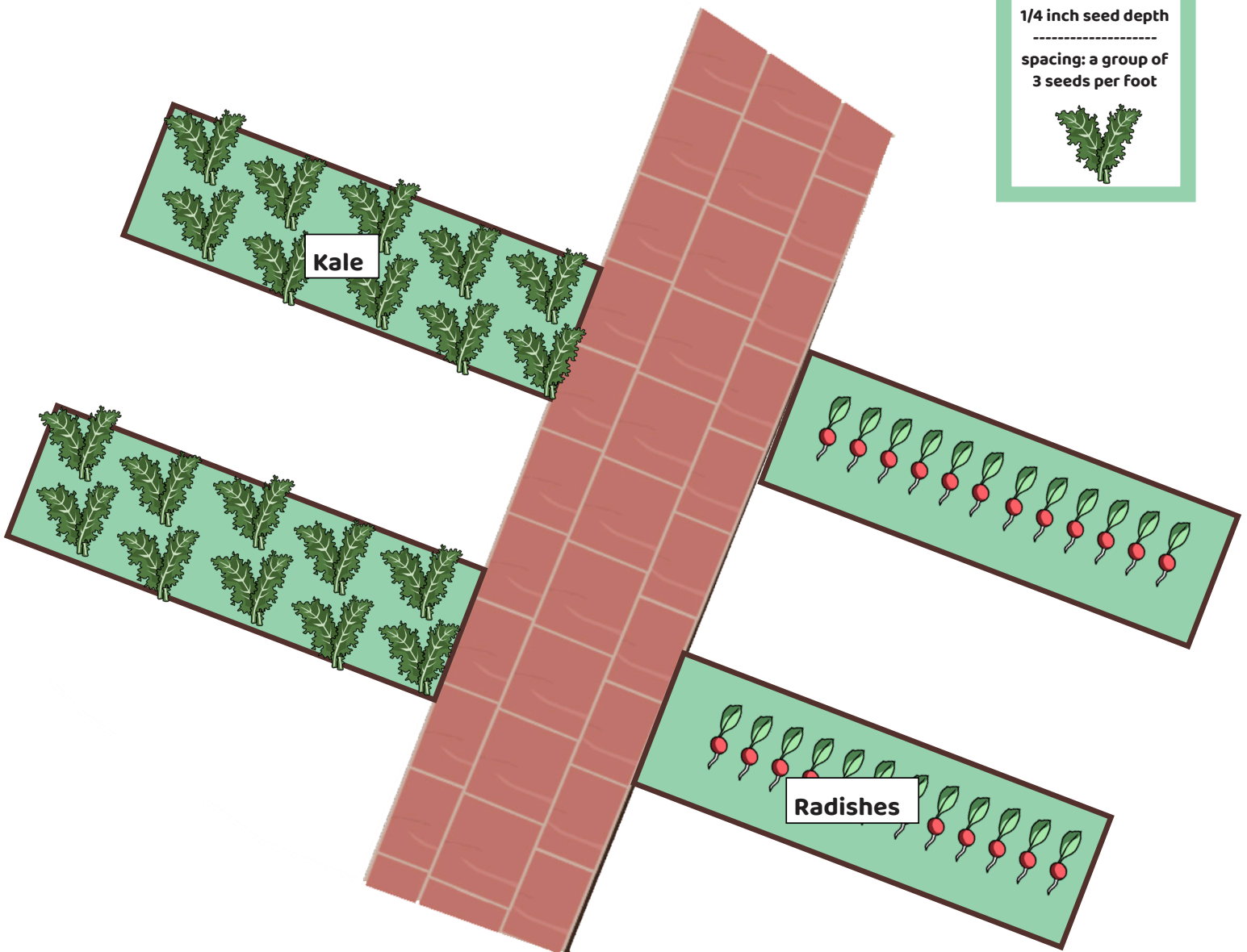
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spacing: one seed every inch



#### kale

1/4 inch seed depth

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spacing: a group of 3 seeds per foot





Hello Lafayette Garden Leads!

Here's wishing you a wonderful planting! Without you, this partnership between Lafayette and Garden to Table wouldn't work. Thank you so much for being a garden lead.

**A Few Notes about your Delivery:**

**Maps:** In making your maps each year we pay very close attention to crop rotation—each bed is on a 3-4 year rotation between plant families. In the table below, “CC” stands for Cover Crop. Asterisk denotes a lettuce bed.

School	Bed #	2017	2018	CC?	2019	CC?	2020	CC?	2021	CC?	2022	CC?	2023
Lafayette		2017	2018	CC?	2019	CC?	2020	CC?	2021	CC?	2022	CC?	2023
	Bed 1	Carrot/Allium/Beet	Cucurbit	ask	Carrot	N	Nightshades		Cucurbit	Y	Nightshade	Y	Carrot
	Bed 2	Nightshades	Carrot	ask	Beetroot	N	Nightshades		Cucurbit	Y	Nightshade	Y	Legumes
	Bed 3	Cucurbit	Legumes	ask	Beetroot	N	Nightshades		Cucurbit	Y	Nightshade	Y	Legumes
	Perennials—formerly Bed 4	Corn	Brassica (and	ask	Legumes (an	N			Nightshades	Y	Changed to	Y	
	Bed 4—formerly Bed 5	Carrot/Beetroot/Br	Brassica	ask	Legumes	N	Carrot		Nightshades	Y	Cucurbit	Y	Beetroot
	Bed 5—formerly Bed 6	Legumes	Nightshades	ask	Brassica	N	Carrot		Nightshades	Y	Cucurbit	Y	Beetroot
	Bed 6—formerly Bed 7	Cucurbit	Nightshades	ask	Brassica	N	Carrot		Brassica	Y	Cucurbit	Y	Nightshades
	Bed 7—formerly Bed 8	Cucurbit	Brassica	ask	Nightshades	N	Cucurbit		Brassica	Y	Cucurbit	Y	Nightshades
	Bed 8—formerly Bed 9	Cucurbit	Beetroot	ask	Nightshades	N	Cucurbit		Carrot	Y	Brassica	Y	Cucurbit
	Bed 9 —formerly Bed 10	Nightshades	Alliums	ask	Carrot	N	Cucurbit		Beetroot	Y	Legumes	Y	Cucurbit
	Four Cinder Block Beds*					N	Brassica (kale		Legumes	Y	Beetroot	Y	Brassica
	Two Tubs						Cucurbit		Nightshades	Y	Carrot	Y	Beetroot

Because crop rotation helps with soil fertility and reduces pest and disease pressures, please spend some time before the planting to be certain your map is oriented correctly. Some parent leads like to place each page of the map in its corresponding bed for volunteers/teachers/students to easily reference. This is why we print the pages single-sided. Per your request, we've simplified each bed so that only 1-2 plant types are in each bed.

**Watering:** Please keep your starts moist (but not soggy) prior to planting. This will prevent transplant shock and make them easier to handle. After planting, please gently water seeds and starts. Our team will more deeply irrigate when we return later in the day. We'll also install tomato cages with protective plastic.

**Trays and Plastic Containers:** We grow our own plant starts in washed/repurposed containers. Please disregard what's written on any stickers attached to pots. Also, please gather up the containers once the planting is finished. We'll take these away to wash and repurpose again next year.

**Leftover Seeds:** Please leave your leftover seeds in the white plastic tub (ideally in a shaded location) for us to pick up after the planting and use for replanting what doesn't germinate. We'll make sure they don't go to waste!

Please let us know if you have any questions. Happy Planting from Garden to Table's Garden Team!

**Contents of your Delivery:**

<b>For Cucurbit Beds</b>	<b>For Carrot Bed</b>	<b>For Legume Bed</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Winter Squash Seeds</li> <li>• Pumpkin Seeds</li> <li>• Sunflower Seeds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carrot Seeds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 Marigold Starts</li> <li>• Bush Bean Seeds</li> </ul>
<b>For Nightshade Bed</b>	<b>For Beetroot bed</b>	<b>For Tubs</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 Marigold Starts</li> <li>• 10 Tomato Starts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beet seeds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chard seeds</li> </ul>
	<b>For Brassica Bed</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Radish Seeds</li> <li>• Kale Seeds</li> </ul>	