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Fellow Educators,

MAITCA is happy to hear of your interest in “Place Based Education”, which helps required curricula come to life by making associations with your student’s real lives. We are proud to bring you this tool to help you connect directly with the local food and clothing sources in your area and throughout the state.

This resource guide is the result of hundreds of hours of research, surveys and phone calls. The online version that you will soon find on our website at www.maineagintheclassroom.org will continue to grow as new entries are added. We hope you will help us improve each edition through your evaluations and comments.

The funding for this project was made possible through the National AITC Consortium and the US Department of Agriculture. The success and continuation of this and similar projects depend on your participation and feedback. You will find coupons on the back cover that can easily be mailed in or you can contact us at maitca@maine.gov if that is more convenient.

In this booklet you will find that each entry is correlated with lessons from Project Food, Land and People, The Maine Wild Blueberry Curriculum, and Growing a Nation. (See page 21 for descriptions) This supplies you with lessons that are aligned with state and national standards to further the fieldtrip experience. If you need to obtain these materials please contact our office at the address above.

I hope to impress upon you how important it is that Maine students gain an appreciation for locally grown products so that as they grow into adults they can make informed decisions that affect the industry, their neighbors and the future of Maine agriculture.

We must sow the seeds of tomorrow. Thank you for your support!

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