

Sustainable Agriculture at JCCC

Growth and development of a program

The seed

- USDA Grant application 2007
- Collaboration between
 - K-State Horticulture Research and Extension
 - 3 JCCC programs:
 - Horticulture
 - Hospitality Management
 - Entrepreneurship
- “Sustainable Agriculture Entrepreneurship Certificate (Market Farming)”

The Sprout

- Curriculum rushed into place
- First classes offered 2008
 - Small enrollment
- Classes in several locations
 - Practicum at K-State Research Center





The seedling

Moved Practicum to campus in 2010 when K-State researcher moved on.

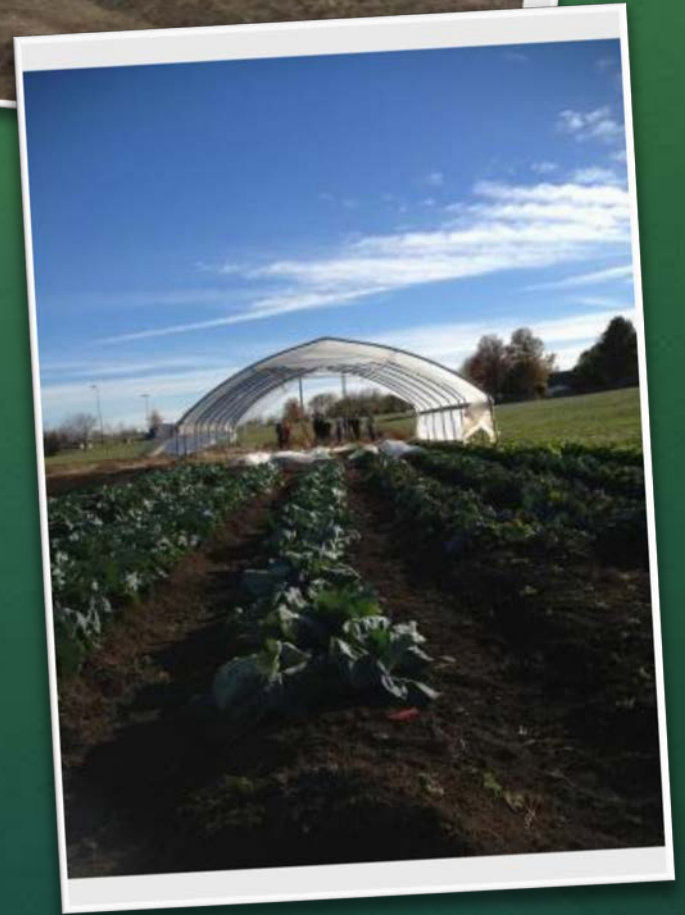


The Garden

First season on campus – Fall – limited space for practice

Campus Farm

Administration granted
request to develop 2 acres in
corner of campus for
demonstration small market
fresh produce farm



Future growth

- Program revision in works – more options, electives
- Enrollment growing steadily
- Movement toward broader agricultural offerings
- Goals:
 - Climate change conference
 - Consortium
 - 2-year degree



Questions?