

SUSTAINING SUSTAINABILITY: A MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR ACRES STUDENT FARM



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What is ACRES?

- UW's student-run farm
- Established in 2006
- Vegetables and fruits
- RSO Structure
- Uses organic methods and practices
- Located on 30th and Harney



ACRES Mission Statement

“To provide Laramie and the University of Wyoming with fresh and sustainably grown produce while offering hands-on learning and awareness of local, sustainable agriculture.”



What does ACRES do?

- Farmers markets
- CSA
- Donations
- Direct Sales
- Compost
- Volunteers
- Education



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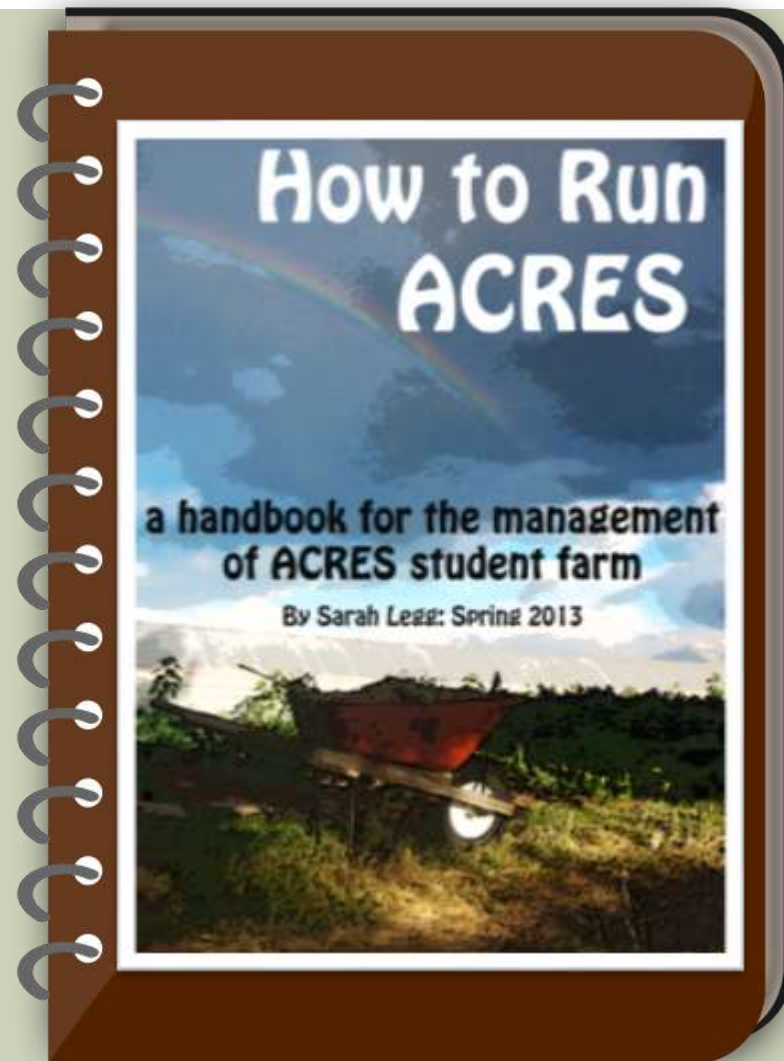
SUSTAINABILITY

Previous ACRES handbook identified four types of sustainability that are central to ACRES:

- 1. Temporal**
 - Generations of students
- 2. Economic**
 - Must be able to turn a profit!
- 3. Social**
 - Equal distribution of resources
- 4. Environmental**
 - Maintaining resources



A SOLUTION



SECTIONS

- Introduction
- Sustainability
- History
- Overview of ACRES Operations
- Duties and Responsibilities
- Record Keeping
- Crop growing instructions
- Calendars
- Compost protocol
- Harvest protocol
- Safety
- Weed and Pest Management
- Things that don't work
- Student Research
- Funding
- Vision
- Useful Contacts
- References
- Acknowledgements

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Outgoing tasks

- Compost
- Pesticides
- Resourse files
- Recruit summer help

Key:

■ Farm

■ Event

■ Paperwork

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farmer's market application (if not done already) • Laramie Local Foods zaibernet • Wyoming Farmers Market Association Conference • Select for donations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fleishch ○ ACE ○ Wal Mart 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSA contract • Recruit CSA members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize CSA contract <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Plant out • Prep beds: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inside hoop house ○ Outside • Recruit school groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LRS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Seed starting table • Start in Raiz: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Peas ○ Cucumbers ○ Squash ○ Broccoli ○ Zucchini ○ Cauliflower ○ Brussels sprouts ○ Eggplant ○ Potatoes ○ Celery ○ leeks • Plant in hoop house: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lettuce ○ Basil ○ Chard ○ Onions

Example of a page in the “calendars” section



QUESTIONS?