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Edison Career and Technology High School Students to Transform Community Garden Space

Who:

Students from Edison Career and Technology High School construction pathway

What:

Installation of new garden beds and a stage

When:

Wednesday, April 30, 2025, 9:30 a.m.

Where:

First Street Garden
Rochester, NY 14605
(at the intersection of Pennsylvania Avenue and First Street near the Public Market)

Details:

From April 28 to May 1, students in the Edison Career and Technology High School construction pathway will rebuild and install new garden beds and a stage at the First Street Garden. This hands-on project supports students’ career and technical education by providing real-world experience in construction and design.

The initiative also reflects a strong spirit of community engagement, as students help transform a shared green space into a revitalized area for public enjoyment. First Street Garden is maintained by a local volunteer team that grows vegetables, herbs, and flowers for the neighborhood. The garden also includes a performance stage for local children, which students are redesigning and rebuilding. The new stage will feature lighting and steps, with additional enhancements, such as compost bins, a gazebo, and planter benches, slated for a second phase in the upcoming school year.