

STUDENT PROFILE: Quetzally

I first started working on the farm in 2019.

I haven't been to every session since, but I have gone through at least 5 sessions. One of my favorite activities would be making soil blocks because after the hard work that goes into composting, I get to help plants have a second go at life as new soil. Working at the farm during the pandemic gave me a reason to go outside and connect with others. Even now it's helped me make new friends and get the connection I couldn't get in school. I love working on the farm because I get to use all my senses and focus on the activity that I'm doing in that moment, not worrying about anything else going on outside the farm. The food that we have grown here is some of the freshest and tastiest I've ever tried. We grow all kinds of shapes and sizes, and it reminds me that we shouldn't always be picking the prettiest foods at the grocery store, because a small blemish isn't going to ruin the whole thing. Working here has shown me how much work goes into farming, from both our own and nature's side.

