

Education Facilitator – Mid North Island

Garden to Table Trust

Garden to Table empower tamariki to grow, harvest, prepare and share their own fresh kai as part of daily life – want to join us?

Want to be part of our team as an Education Facilitator?

We are recruiting a passionate and experienced educator as our new Education Facilitator, based in Kirikiriroa, Hamilton or Tauranga, to join our national Education Team.

The role of the Education Facilitator is central to the success and growth of the Garden to Table programme. You will work directly with schools, both online and in-person, to build capability and knowledge through responsive contact and learning facilitation that builds confidence, capability and sustainable programmes.

Working collaboratively within the national Education Team, Education Facilitators ensure schools are empowered, well-supported, and connected to a thriving learning community. You will also play a key role in programme promotion, projects, resource development, and strategic sector engagement to advance the Trust's goals.

The right person will be warm, engaging and solutions-focused, with a genuine love of empowering schools and tamariki through food education. You will be someone who enjoys building relationships, facilitating learning both online and in-person in group settings, and helping others grow in confidence and capability. You'll take pride in supporting schools to implement their programmes successfully, while contributing to the wider strategy and impact of our national network of schools.

This is a positive, rewarding and role. You'll be part of a kaupapa-led organisation where your work directly supports tamariki to build life-long skills and connections to kai, whenua and each other.

Garden to Table Trust is a growing charity which works with schools and kura to empower thousands of tamariki across Aotearoa New Zealand to whanake (grow), hauhake (harvest), whakarite (prepare), and whāngai (share) seasonal, affordable and sustainable kai. The positive impacts from the programme radiate far beyond the school gates - to whānau, the wider community, and the planet - ultimately enabling a more sustainable, equitable and climate-friendly social and economic future. Learn more about our kaupapa and stories at: www.gardentotable.org.nz

About the role:

- The role is part time for **22 hours per week**, 52 weeks of the year.

- The core hours are from Monday to Thursday, with Mondays and Tuesdays (9.00am – 3.00pm) being the key times when all team members are available for collaboration and connection. Flexibility is required for this role, including availability for after-school and evening hours to meet school and community needs.
- This is a work from home role with travel within your region, and we support flexible working.
- Supporting schools and early learning centres to successfully implement and embed the Garden to Table programme.
- Building strong relationships with principals, programme champions and school teams.
- Representing Garden to Table in regional networks and education spaces.
- Collaborating with colleagues and supporting initiatives and projects across Education, Communications and Fundraising teams.

The role will include:

- Leading tailored onboarding journeys for schools and early learning centres.
- Facilitating professional development, training and coaching both in-person and online.
- Supporting schools to take ownership of their programmes and embed Garden to Table into curriculum learning.
- Contributing to regional and national communities of practice.
- Supporting programme promotion through Open Sessions and events.
- Supporting and delivering on programme promotion, projects, resource development, and strategic sector engagement to advance the Trust's goals.
- Providing insights into resource development to inform continuous improvement.
- Monitoring, evaluating and reporting on school progress and programme impact.
- Building strong relationships with school leaders and key stakeholders.

About you:

- Strong experience in education and facilitation.
- Confidence working with digital tools and online facilitation platforms.

- Passionate about education, equity, and Garden to Table's mission, inspiring others to engage and succeed.
- Solutions-focused, proactive and calm under pressure, bringing professionalism, integrity and a commitment to ongoing learning.
- Experienced in education and facilitation, with strong organisational and time-management skills and the ability to manage multiple schools, projects and priorities.
- Strong relationship-builder and communicator, able to develop trust and connection with school leaders, teams, and sector partners and contribute positively to team culture and sector capability.
- Confident working collaboratively as part of a national team, while also taking ownership of your own initiatives.
- You enjoy using digital tools to support online facilitation, training, and resource sharing.
- Ability to think strategically and translate plans into meaningful practical action.
- Commitment to grow your understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and how this applies to your mahi for Garden to Table.
- Use of everyday te reo is an advantage, but willingness to learn and grow your reo is essential.
- Willingness to travel within your region and hold a full driver's licence.

What you will receive:

- A culture that is inclusive, energising and grounded in our values.
- The opportunity to directly support tamariki, whānau and schools across Aotearoa.
- Ongoing professional development and connection to a national network.
- A salary between \$84,073 - \$88,358 pro rata for part time hours, depending on the experience someone is bringing to the role, with \$20 per fortnight toward working from home expenses.
- 3 days of Garden to Table leave annually – a day for your birthday, a day for your wellbeing, and a whānau day.

Garden to Table Trust is proud to be an equitable workplace, where we welcome and accept diversity and difference. We are committed to providing a safe, inclusive

environment and achieving equitable outcomes for our employees, schools and students.

Does this sound like you?

Have a look at our website and get a feel for who we are and what we do:

www.gardentotable.org.nz

If you think this could be the next step in your journey, please apply with your CV and a cover letter telling us why.

Enquiries can be directed to:

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Applications will close on **5 March 2026** at **5PM**. We will be **reviewing applications as we go**, so don't delay in applying.