

Lyons Community Farm Project Visitor Code of Conduct

The Lyons Community Farm Project is committed to feeding and unifying communities through the installation of food forests, community gardens, orchards, and green houses. This Visitor Code of Conduct ensures that everyone visiting our spaces acts in ways that uphold our mission, reflect our vision for a flourishing future, and protect the people and ecosystems we steward together.

Expected Behaviors

To help our community and landscapes thrive, visitors are expected to:

- **Respect people and spaces**, communicating kindly and respectfully by using inclusive language, honoring boundaries, following staff directions and caring for tools, plants, and shared areas.
- **Model regenerative and ecological practices (posted in the Food Forest entrance)** that reflect our commitment to sustainability.
- **Follow guidance** from staff or trained volunteers on planting, harvesting, composting, and tool use.
- **Collaborate with openness**, offering help, asking questions, and sharing knowledge without judgment.
- **Create a welcoming environment** where neighbors feel safe, included, and encouraged to participate. Children are encouraged to participate and must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- **Use resources responsibly**, including water, tools, equipment, and produce.
- **Support learning**, allowing space for curiosity, mistakes, and growth.
- **Act in alignment with our long-term vision**, making choices that support nourishment, connection, and ecological harmony.
- **Report** concerns about environmental harm promptly.
- **Report violations of this Code of Conduct.** Anyone who experiences or witnesses behavior that violates this Code is encouraged to speak up. Urgent safety concerns may be shared with a staff member, board member, or designated contact. Reports can be made in person or by emailing lyonscfp@gmail.com. The reports will be handled with discretion; retaliation for good-faith reporting will not be tolerated.

Unacceptable Behaviors

To maintain a safe and supportive community, the following behaviors are not permitted:

- Carrying or displaying weapons of any kind.
- Possession or use of illegal drugs or intoxication that disrupts safety or programming will not be tolerated.
- Harassment, discrimination, bullying, or exclusion of any kind.
- Destruction, misuse, or theft of tools, produce, or property.
- Unleashed or unauthorized pets that threaten the safety of people, animals, or the environment.
- Behavior that endangers minors or violates child safety expectations.
- Disregard for ecological or regenerative practices taught or required on-site.
- Dishonesty, misrepresentation, or misuse of organizational resources.
- Violent, aggressive, disruptive, or disrespectful conduct.
- Sharing confidential or sensitive information without permission.
- Actions that damage soil health, plants, wildlife habitats, or water systems.
- Engaging in any activity which violates federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations.
- Taking photos, videos, or other recording of others without their consent.

Commitment

By participating in the Lyons Community Farm Project, individuals agree to uphold this Code of Conduct and contribute to a community where people and ecosystems can flourish together—today and for generations to come.