



Quaker Meadows Generations

"At Quaker Meadows Generations in Morganton NC, we started our garden project! Parents, children and community volunteers assembled garden boxes and filled them with potting soil. Volunteers from Western Piedmont Community College Early Childhood Education program assisted children and parents in planting seeds and flowers. All participants enjoyed this activity! We have never had the opportunity to add some "green" to the center and this project will be incorporated into all aspects of our curriculum - science, math, literacy, dramatic play and art.

One of the highlights of the activity was listening to parents talking to their children about how much fun it would be to do this at home, too.

Parents were excited to see how just a small amount of space and minimal materials could transform an empty area into a great parent-child activity! Parents were also heard telling children stories about how 'granny used to grow all of her own food this way when they lived on the farm.'

Getting down to the earth, getting dirty and quality time were the outcomes of today's activity. We hope to have lots of baby vegetables and beautiful flowers in the next few weeks."

- Teresa Davis, Center Director Quaker Meadows Generations



