WASCO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #29 DUFUR SCHOOL

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AgWest Rural Community Grant Awarded to Dufur School

Dufur, OR 04/23/2025 – Dufur School District is pleased to announce it has been awarded \$3500 through AgWest Farm Credit's Rural Community Grant program to be used towards their Elementary Garden Project.

The funds granted to Dufur School will impact the local community by providing hands-on learning for elementary students. Students will learn to plan garden layout, implement their plans, care for crops, harvest, and enjoy the fruits of their labor. Produce will also be utilized in the school kitchen, not only providing nutritious meals, but completing a true farm to table cycle for students to facilitate. The elementary garden project allows Dufur School to extend our career related learning to the elementary students and provide them with real world hands-on experience with agriculture, inspiring our next generation.

AgWest's Rural Community Grants provide funds to non-profit organizations for projects that improve rural communities within Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. This includes efforts such as building or improving facilities; purchasing necessary equipment to facilitate a local program; and funding capital improvements which enhance a community's infrastructure, viability and prosperity.

For more information about the Rural Community Grant Program, please visit <u>AgWest Rural</u> Community Grants.

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