

**POLLINATOR PARTY** 

Georgia Department of Education School Nutrition

### How COMB we love Pollinators?

### We BEE-lieve in them!

In addition to addressing the issue of the declining pollinator populations, a pollinator celebration helps recognize of the valuable ecosystem services provided by bees, birds, butterflies, bats and beetles.

This fertilization results in the formation of seeds and the fruit surrounding seeds. Humans and other animals rely on pollinators to produce nuts and fruits that are essential components of a healthy diet.

#### BUZZING about Activities

Explore these pollinator resources and lessons from UGA Extension

Pollinator Garden | School Garden Resources (uga.edu)

## BEE-cause we reading

- Are you a Bee? by Judy Allen
- BEE: A Peek-Through Picture Book by Britta Teckentrup
- Flight of the Honey Bee by Raymond Huber
- In the Trees, Honey Bees! by Lori Mortensen
- Pick, Pull, Snap! Where Once A Flower Bloomed by Lola M. Schaefer
- The Honey Makers by Gail Gibbons
- Right This Very Minute:
   A Table-To-Farm Book About Food and Farming by Lisl H. Detlefsen
- The Beeman by Laurie Krebs

# FLUTTERING with Excitement

Decorate the serving area with some of these BEE-utiful ideas. Make bee balloons using yellow balloons, paper 'wings', and a black marker to create stripes, eyes and a mouth. Create bulletin boards or signs with images of butterflies, flowers, and bees and phrases such as:

BEE Amazing!
You BEE-long here!
This (the cafeteria) is the place to BEE!

Serve items such as 'butterfly' pasta and/or foods made with honey such as a honey flavored cereal. Highlight foods containing Vitamin B on your menu.

### Vitamin B(ee)

Discuss the importance of Vitamin B.

Vitamin B is an essential vitamin. Essential vitamins are the ones that our bodies cannot make itself. We must get these vitamins from foods. This is why it's so important to eat foods that have essential vitamins. Vitamin B converts food into energy. Foods that contain Vitamin B include: whole grains, eggs, dairy products, poultry, meats, nuts, beans, peas, fish and seafood.

#### BEE Amused

What is a bee's favorite sandwich? Bar-BEE-Que

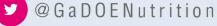
Where does a bee go on vacation?

the BEEch

What do bees use to style their hair?

A Honey COMB

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