



# ADAPT PROGRAM



## INTRODUCTION

The Community Science ADAPT program is a fun and exciting way to get involved in Seed Savers Exchange's mission of preserving and sharing our food crop heritage. Participants in this program trial varieties from our seed bank and send us feedback on their performance. This information helps us better understand the adaptability of these varieties to different environments and guides our selection process for new introductions into our seed catalog.

## HOW IT WORKS

In early January, we release details on the trials we're offering for the coming year. Participants select the crop(s) they want to trial and are then randomly assigned three varieties from the larger group. In the first week of March, we will send you a kit containing your seeds, plant labels, a datasheet, and instructions for submitting your data. We ask that you grow the three varieties side-by-side under the same conditions. We do not require a minimum number of plants. You will be evaluating each variety on a handful of key characteristics, including yield, flavor, earliness, appearance, and disease resistance. Data is submitted via an exciting new web platform called SeedLinked, which we have partnered with since 2018.



## SEEDLINKED

SeedLinked is an emerging web platform that seeks to connect gardeners, farmers and plant breeders with information on crop varieties. SeedLinked harnesses the power of collaboration, place-based knowledge, and machine learning to help breed, source, and grow seeds for a more resilient future. The platform provides a user-friendly computer interface as well as a free smartphone app to create a tool and resource that participants in the program can use to track, share, and learn about regional seed and variety performance.



## JOIN THE PROGRAM

Please see the following page for the list of trials and varieties we are offering this year. If you are interested in participating, please visit [seedsavers.org/citizen-science-corps](https://seedsavers.org/citizen-science-corps) and submit your information to join the program.

If you have any questions, please contact Steffen Mirsky at [sciencecorps@seedsavers.org](mailto:sciencecorps@seedsavers.org) or by calling 563-387-5665. Thank you!

Crop	Variety #1	Variety #2	Variety #3	Variety #4	Variety #5	Variety #6	Variety #7	Variety #8
Bean (snap, pole)	Ideal Market	Davis White	Peddler Pole	Uncle Bill's Green Beans	Grandma	Ekstrum	Toby Poe's Purple	
Kale	Pentland Brig	Larks Tongue	Perennial	Asparagus	Krasnaha Kurcavaja Vysokaja	Willey's	Wild Red	
Lettuce (Batavia)	Honsesalat	Batavia Blonde	Batavia Laura	Maravilla de Verano Vonny	La Brillante	Salade de Russie	Grandpa's Leaf	Laitue de St. Antoine
Okra	Langston Longhorn	Granddaddy's	Rains	Hodnett Special	Benoist	Clemson Spineless		
Spinach	Dixie Market	Old Dominion	Northland	Virginia Savoy Blight Resistant	Securo	Noorman		
Tomato (paste)	Lillian's Red Kansas Paste	Work Release Paste	Salvaterra's Select	Willie's Garden	Airyleaf	Cipolla's Pride	Mike's Italian	
Tomato (slicer)	Vogliotti	Church	Dr. Buresh Pink Italian	Barnes Mountain Yellow	Dr. Neal	Marlowe Charleston	Holmes Mexican	German Pink
Winter Squash (buttercup)	Banquet	Mooregold	Greengold	Oregon	Burgess	TBD	TBD	

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