# **Rochester/ Grand Mound Farmers Market Regulations** (Horizons Project)

## DEFINITIONS

- 1. *Farmers Market*. The Farmers Market is located at Rochester Middle School, 9937 Highway 12 SW, Rochester, WA. The boundaries are defined by the Market Manager depending upon the number of vendors present. In no case, however, will the Market occupy sidewalk or street right-of-way. The Market hours are from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. each Saturday.
- Farm or Domestic Products. Included are products that are grown or produced on farms or in homes or gardens. These products are further defined as follows: *Produce* -Vegetables, fruit, grains, eggs, plants, plant cuttings, flowers, seeds, nuts, and herbs. *Prepared Foods* -Foods processed in some way by the vendor and approved by the Health Department. These items include, but are not limited to, cured meats, baked goods, preserves, pickles, juices, home canned products, and cheeses.
- 3. *Handicrafts*. Handcrafted products that are handmade. The product may be made from manufactured materials provided that most of the products value results from the crafting of the vendor.
- 4. *Vendors*. Persons who have paid their stall rent, agreed to comply with the Farmers Market regulations, and agreed to sell only "Farm/Domestic Products or handicrafts" as defined above.
- 5. *Producer Vendors*. Vendors who sell products which are grown or produced by themselves or members of their households.
- 6. *Resale Vendors*. Vendors who sell produce grown by persons other than themselves.

## **ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS**

- 1. Only "Farm or Domestic Products" as defined above may be sold at the Farmers Market.
- 2. No products sold can be used or second-hand.
- 3. To qualify as a handcrafted product, an item must have acquired a substantial part of its value from the crafting of the vendor or the vendor's family.

## **DISPLAY OF PRODUCTS**

- 1. Prices of all products should be clearly marked.
- 2. All packages or canned food must include the name of the preparer and the contents.
- 3. No selling area will be permitted to use any fuel burning or electric devices to heat products.
- 4. All eligible products except fresh produce, handicrafts, flowers, plants, and canned goods shall be wrapped.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES OF VENDORS**

- 1. Comply with these regulations as well as all other regulations, codes, and statutes that govern the growing, preparation, and sale of products.
- 2. Cooperate with the Market Manager regarding the assignment of space, use of school property, use of parking space, etc.
- 3. Maintain a clean vending area; dispose of all refuse in and around your space and take care not to deface or damage school property.
- 4. Pay the \$10 rent in advance to the Market Manager. Vendors will pay 5% of the sales over \$100. Per day.
- 5. Vendors are responsible for the safety of the products being sold and shall hold the City of Rochester/Grand Mound or the Rochester School District harmless from any liability whatsoever that results from their activities on Rochester Middle School property.
- 6. All vendors are responsible to the State of Washington for collecting and reporting Washington sales tax. In addition, vendors are responsible for obtaining a Washington State Business License.

## **DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

- 1. In an emergency and in the interest of maintaining health and order, the Market Manager may have a vendor or customer removed from the Market. In exercising this authority, the Market Manager is to invite the assistance of the Sheriffs Department.
- 2. In the event that a vendor violates the rules of the Market and disregards the verbal warnings of the Market Manager, the vendor may be suspended for a length of time depending on the violation.