

## **Basil Showdown**

This fun activity offers students, residents, and staff an opportunity to choose what you'll grow and engage in sensory activities that challenge them with various flavor profiles of similar plants.

Prep Time: 15 minutes

### Activity Time: 10-15 minutes

#### **Supplies**

- Fill all zones with basil
- Gloves
- Sanitized scissors
- 1 hotel pan or tub
- Basil Showdown Bracket (See Next page)
- Index cards
- Plates

#### Prep

- 1. Contact your Account Manager to request basil seeds to grow in your farm
- 2. Plant all the basil at once or vote on which basils get planted first
- 3. (Before Activity) Using the app, turn off AutoFarmer, turn on lights, and wait 15 minutes for trays to drain

#### **Activity**

- 1. Print out basil brackets and voting materials on next page
- 2. Carefully remove trays and place on table
- 3. Wearing gloves, snip the stems/flowers and place in hotel pan or tub
- 4. Serve basil or a basil sauce made with different basil leaves
- 5. Vote on which basil they like and complete the brackets
- 6. Vote on the winners in the bracket in once sitting or over weeks
- 7. The winner is the crop(s) they choose to order for growing in the farm moving forward.

#### Wrap up

- 1. Discard any growth medium from fully harvested herbs
- 2. Return trays to farm
- 3. Turn AutoFarmer back on
- 4. Share online and tag #babylonmicrofarms

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