## **Member Agreement for 2023**

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Member Contact Information	:
Name:	
Address:	
City, State:	
ZIP:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	

We, Ledgeview Gardens, wish to provide you with fresh, local, seasonal food and you, the member, wish to receive a portion of our harvest. This agreement outlines our shared commitments to that relationship.

## Section 1. Introducing Our CSA Farm

## A. Becoming a Part of Our Farm

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between our farm and you as our customer. Rather than simply purchasing food, our customers become "members" of this CSA farm who receive a portion of the farm's harvest.

Our CSA runs for 22 weeks, from May 31st to October 26th. Members are responsible for showing up at the farm or designated site each week to pick out your share of freshly harvested produce, protein or other farm products. We offer a Market Style share option so our members are able to choose the vegetables their family will enjoy up to 8 points for a half share and 16 points for a full share. Detailed information regarding pick-up is discussed below in Section 3. Variety and quantity may vary as described below in Section 2.

## **B.** Our Growing Practices

Our farm is non-certified organic, specializing in hydroponic tomatoes, mixed lettuce and cucumbers. Because of our investment in hydroponics we are able to start our CSA earlier in the spring and extend it later into the fall. Our CSA offering is designed around the most valued items for a typical family. Our goal is to supply the standard produce items to help you avoid purchasing your family's vegetables from a grocery store and buying food of an unknown origin. Our farm is free of synthetic chemicals used for weed or bug control as we have found other ways to control those environmental aspects to produce a clean, healthy product you can be proud to feed your family.

## C. The Products We Expect for 2022

The chart below outlines an example of the vegetables we expect to offer and when you may see them available. This chart is based on our best estimate, but weather, pests, and other events may affect actual production.

# THIS IS NOT A GUARANTEE THAT ALL OF THESE ITEMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT ALL TIMES THROUGHOUT THE SEASON.

Month Harvested	Expected Crops
May to July	Basil, Beefsteak Tomatoes, English Cucumbers, Broccoli, Rainbow Chard, Asparagus, Lettuce, Cherry Tomatoes, Radishes, Zucchini, Rhubarb, Pole Beans, Kale, Scallions, Garlic, Sweet Potatoes, Spaghetti Squash
July to August	Beets, Cabbage, Green Beans, Garlic Scapes, Garlic, Onions, Kale, Jalapenos, Anaheim Peppers, Kohlrabi, Zucchini,, Tomatoes, Lettuce, Cucumbers, Cherry Tomatoes, Basil, Radishes, Rainbow Chard,
September to October	Sweet Potatoes, Potatoes, Kohlrabi, Muskmelon, Watermelon, Winter Squash, Tomatoes, Lettuce, Cucumbers, Broccoli, Garlic, Scallions, Cabbage, Canning Tomatoes, Sweet and Hot Peppers, Carrots, Beets, Zucchini, Onions
October to November	Sweet Potatoes, Potatoes, Kohlrabi, Spaghetti Squash, Kabocha Squash, Butternut Squash, Tomatoes, Lettuce, Cucumbers, Garlic, Sweet and Hot Peppers, Carrots, Beets, Rainbow Chard, Onions

## **Section 2. Our Shared Commitments**

## A. Sharing in the Risk of Crop Failure

We promise to do our best to provide you with a bountiful share each week. The diversity of produce, however, may vary from month-to-month due to extreme weather, insects, or other production factors despite our best efforts. By joining our CSA, you are agreeing to share the risk of crop failure with us and other members. In the unlikely event of a crop failure, our procedure is as follows:

If only a small portion of crops fail, we compensate for the failed crops by offering a variety of other crops grown on the farm or purchased from other local producers. Any product offered from another farm will be labeled as such and the farm name will be listed. If a large portion of crops fail, we may not be able to deliver great diversity in some weeks.

## B. Sharing in the Reward of Crop Surplus

In addition to our CSA, our farm sells at restaurants, grocery stores, local schools, and/or wholesale distributors. We segregate our production for the CSA by harvesting fresh on Tuesday for Wednesday and Thursdays shares; our members are always getting the freshest products because you are our priority. When production of our CSA segregated crops are especially abundant we will increase the amount of product offered per point to increase your take home quantity. However, we don't want to overwhelm our members or deliver so much produce that it goes to waste. When we feel that members have received enough of certain crops, we handle the surplus by selling it to our restaurant buyers, or other wholesale avenues.

## C. Share Descriptions

Full share Market Style: Full shares are designed to feed a family of four that makes meals at home at least 2-3 times per week; Or a couple that frequently cooks at home or juices.

Half Share Market Style: Half shares are designed to feed a family of two or a couple with young children.

## **Section 3. Picking Up Shares**

You are responsible for picking up your share weekly from the farm,

Pick-up Location	City or Neighborhood	Name of Location, business, homeowner, or organization	Address	Day	Time
On Farm (Market Style)	De Pere, WI	Ledgeview Gardens	5291 Cottonwood Ln De Pere, WI 54115	Wednesday & Thursday	10am – 6pm

If you cannot pick-up your share, you must arrange for someone else to pick it up for you. You are responsible for explaining the pick-up location and procedures to your substitute.

CSA Pick up is available on Wednesdays and Thursdays ONLY. Friday is for walk in sales ONLY.

## **Section 4. Member Fees**

By selling membership in advance of the growing season, CSA reduces the burden of up-front costs for the farmer. Your membership fees provide us with money to purchase seed and equipment before the season starts, and we appreciate your commitment. Place a check mark next to the share type you would like from the list below.

CHECK YOUR SELECTION	Share Type	Share Size	Price if paying by Check or Cash	Price if paying with credit/debit card
	Vegetable (Market Style)	Full Share	\$775	\$795
	Vegetable (Market Style)	Half Share	\$450	\$470
То	tal Amount Due: (add up yo	our selections)		

CHECK YOUR SELECTION	Payment Preference
	I wish to pay my membership fee up front.
	I wish to pay my membership fee in 3(or less) installments.

If you chose to pay the membership fee upfront, please enclose a check for your total amount due, made payable to Ledgeview Gardens with this signed agreement form. If you chose to pay the membership fee in installments, please enclose 3 post-dated checks making all payments total the final amount due **before May 24th**, with this signed agreement form. By submitting an agreement form you are agreeing to pay the membership fee for the share you indicated above. A reminder to make final payments will be sent on May 3rd, and another on May 17th.

All payments are non-refundable after May 24th.

## Section 5. Communicating with Us

The best way to communicate with us is via email or phone. Our email is <a href="Darren.lgllc@gmail.com">Darren.lgllc@gmail.com</a>, our phone is 920-336-9652. The best times to reach us by phone are between 9am and 5pm Monday-Friday or by email anytime. We will do our best to respond as soon as possible, but please understand that we spend most of our time in the field. Please contact us with any news of the following: changes to your postal or email address, inability to pick up your share, or dissatisfaction with your share.

We will communicate with you by email and/or text message at the address or number provided on the agreement. When you sign up, you will be added to our distribution list. Please read your email from us. We depend on being able to communicate important information such as necessary changes to your distribution schedule or to our farm events.

By signing below, I agree to purchase the membership share indicated in Section 4. I understand that, although
unlikely, the farm may change parts of this agreement related to production and distribution from time to time. I
understand that they will contact me via email in advance of any changes to this agreement.

Name (please print):	Date:	
Signature:		

Please note: We will not be allowing members to split shares in the CSA room. If you are splitting a share with another family or person please elect one person to pick up the share and make your split after pick up is made. This will prevent any confusion with paperwork and pick up specifics.