

Ann M. Evans

Ann Evans is a nationally known consultant in consumer food and agricultural education. She is a partner in Evans & Brennan, LLC which works to put fresh, regional foods on to school lunch plates, and to develop regional food economies.

Over the past 35 years Ann has cofounded building blocks of a regional food system in northern California's garden basket - Yolo County. She is cofounder of the Davis Food Co-op and the Davis Farmers Market and coauthor of the "Davis Farmers Market Cookbook".

An author and frequent speaker, she is a columnist and has written numerous handbooks on school food, school gardens, and food cooperatives. She helped launch the first Yolo County Agricultural Marketing Initiative – which identified and brought together diverse sectors of the food and agricultural community in that powerhouse agricultural county to reimagine the county as a destination for food and wine.

She cofounded one of the first in the nation Farm to School programs 12 years ago, Davis Farm to School Connection, which is funded in part through a community supported parcel tax.

A former Mayor of Davis, state legislative and California Department of Education employee, Ann holds a degree in Consumer Food Science from the University of California at Davis and is a member of Les Dames d' Escoffier.

Ann lives in Davis with her husband, 6 chickens, and several thousand bees. Their daughter attends Birmingham Southern College, where she has, like her mother, become a northerner in love with the south.

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