

CHICKEN COOP

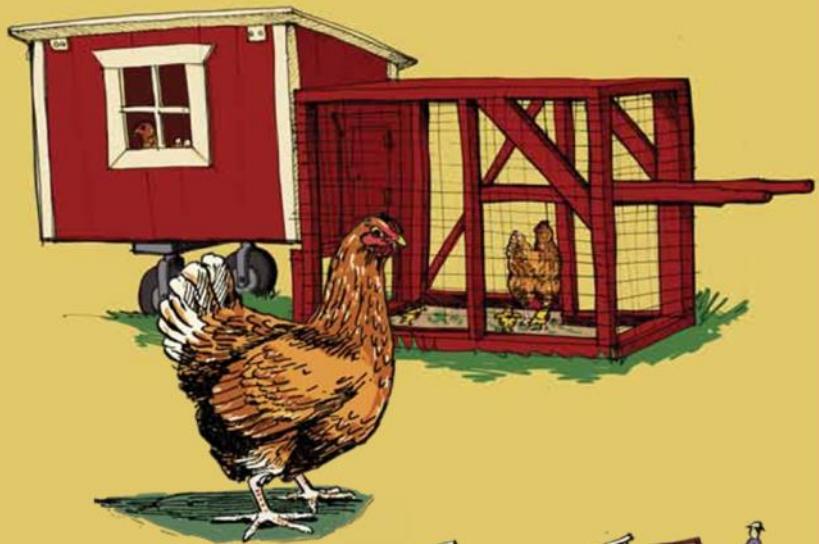
CHICKENS!

Chickens that are raised to produce both eggs and meat are called *dual-purpose breeds*. Hens that are bred primarily to produce meat are called *broiler chickens*, and hens raised for egg production are called *layers*.

There are approximately 175 varieties of chickens. Heritage breeds native to Alabama are Rhode Island Reds, Dominickers, Rocks, and Bantys. The Agriplex chickens supply us with eggs and composting manure and help us learn about reciprocity and the value of animals. Because of their healthy diet, their eggs are delicious and good for you.

DID YOU KNOW?

Cullman County ranks #1 in the state in broiler production. Commercial poultry and egg production is Cullman's largest agricultural commodity, contributing 85% to the agriculture industry.



CHICKEN ON WHEELS

The chicken tractor is a convenient way to move your chickens around the yard. They can help you fertilize, aerate the ground, and eat unwanted insects. Move the chicken tractor weekly to prevent overgrazing in one area.