

CHILDREN'S VEGETABLE GARDEN PROGRAM

PARTICIPANT APPLICATION FALL 2014



For Whom: Children 8-13 in age
When: August 23 thru December 6 for 16 Consecutive Saturdays
Time: 8 a.m. to noon (Unless told otherwise)

About The Program:

Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension Service provides an opportunity for children 8-13 in age to learn about gardening by growing their own vegetables through the mentoring of Bexar County Master Gardener volunteers. Each child is allotted a 3.5'x 28' plot at the beautiful San Antonio Botanical Garden. Children will have fun growing different types of seeds, herbs, vegetables, and ornamental annual flowers. Weekly educational gardening presentations will stimulate these young minds. The children will also participate in fun, hands-on Junior Master Gardener (JMG) activities.

In order to gain the most from the learning experience and to help ensure successful growing, participants are required to attend all sessions (two absences are allowed). ***Families are welcome to share the gardening experience with their child(ren); however, parents should remember that this is the child's plot and learning experience.***

How to Apply:

Space is limited, so apply early. Acceptance in the program will be based on completeness of the application and willingness to attend each Saturday morning session (only two absences will be allowed).

Legibly complete the attached application, mail or drop off with full payment to the San Antonio Botanical Garden no later than Friday, **August 12, 2014**. *Participants accepted into the program will be notified by Friday, August 15.*

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San Antonio Botanical Garden
555 Funston Place, San Antonio, TX 78209
The San Antonio Botanical Garden is a division of the
City of San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department

When notified of acceptance into the program, you will be advised of payment options, including payment online, by mail, or in person. A non-refundable program fee of \$50 per plot will be used for the purchase of seeds, plants, compost, fertilizer, mulch, and other Junior Master Gardener materials.

Note: If the child's plot is shared with a family member or friend, the plot fee will be \$60. The submission of an application and payment does not necessarily confirm acceptance into the program.

Monetary donations for further support and growth of the program are always encouraged and accepted.

I wish to donate an extra \$_____. THANK YOU!!

A limited amount of scholarships and discounted rates are available on a need basis.

For more information or any special child requirements, contact the Program Coordinator David Rodriguez,
Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension Service, at dhrodriguez@ag.tamu.edu

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(Please print legibly)

Applicant's First and Last Name:

First Name Last Name Age: _____ Grade: _____ (circle) Boy or Girl

Attending What School _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone and e-mail address: _____
Telephone Number E-mail Address*

*All information is disseminated via email

Have you attended the program before, If so, when? _____

Do other siblings want to tend a separate plot this season? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, what are their names? Remember, they have to fill out a separate application.

THIS SECTION SHOWS THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMITMENT TO GARDENING PROGRAM

Will child be able to attend the Children's Vegetable Garden Program every Saturday, **August 23 thru December 6** from **8 a.m.** till noon (**only two absences will be allowed**). Will child: (1) be on time every Saturday by 8 a.m. (unless told otherwise); (2) do their daily chores; (3) attend the daily presentation; and (4) participate in the daily Junior Master Gardener (JMG) activity?

_____ yes _____ no

Will child be on time every Saturday by **8 a.m.** (unless, told otherwise); do their daily chores; and stay for the daily presentation, as well as, participate in the daily Junior Master Gardener (JMG) activity?

_____ yes _____ no

Will child or a family member be able to attend the first four-weeks of planting (very important)?

_____ yes _____ no

Will a parent/guardian be in attendance with their child, each and every Saturday?

_____ yes _____ no

Will child and family be able to attend the Saturday, November 15, Vegetable Show, Picnic and Recognition Ceremony which ends around 1 pm?

_____ yes _____ no

Will child and family participate on cleanup day Saturday, December 6; for their plot and the garden?

_____ yes _____ no

(This section must be completed by child, not parent).

Why do you want to participate in the Children's Vegetable Garden Program?

Child's signature committing to program:

Parent/Guardian signature committing to program:

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