

Junior Master Gardener Program 2017

Thank you for your interest in the Junior Master Gardener program. This program offers horticultural and environmental science education, leadership and life skill development through fun and creative activities. It is committed to helping kids become good gardeners and good citizens so that they can make a positive contribution to their community, school and family. Kids will participate in educational activities and have fun out in the garden.

The Junior Master Gardener program will meet here at the extension office on Tuesday afternoons, from 4:30-5:30 starting on February 7th, 2017. This program is currently focused on kids ages 8-12 years old, but if you have an older interested kid, please let me know. Cost for the program is \$15 dollars. This will cover seeds, potting soil and other supplies for the garden and craft projects. A code of conduct will need to be signed to participate in this project.

Dependent on volunteers, there will be a limit of 10 kids this first season. If the program is popular, I will look into coordinating efforts at other towns and times. If you would like to start a program in your town, please let me know! Master Gardeners and Parent Volunteers are welcome to help with this program.

Draft Schedule

Date	Activity Name	Type	Learning Objective	Garden Activities
2/7/2017	Who are You?	Icebreaker	Get to know everyone.	Preparing soil & starting transplants
2/14/2017	Hamburger Plant	Plant Science	Plants are everywhere!	Planting cool season veggies
2/21/2017	Leaf and Seed Sort	Plant Science	Dicot vs Monocot plants	Covering plants
2/28/2017	Plant Needs	Plant Science	What plants need to grow.	TBA
3/7/2017	Oxygen Factory	Plant Science	Photosynthesis	TBA
3/14/2017	Soil Texturing/Shake Rattle Roll	Soil	Parts of soil	TBA
3/21/2017	Nutrient Variable	Soil	How to fertilize and what happens when it goes wrong	TBA
3/28/2017	Composting	Soil	How to compost	TBA
4/4/2017	Out of Sprout	Water	Water infiltration	TBA
4/11/2017	Home Sweet Home	Garden Science	Site judging, garden style.	TBA
4/18/2017	Small & Large	Garden Science	Spacing when planting seeds	TBA
4/25/2017	Some like it hot	Plant Science	Warm season vs cool season crops	TBA
5/2/2017	Growing Herbs	Gardening	Identifying herbs	TBA
5/9/2017	All For One	Career Awareness	Career Activity	TBA