



Gonzales Master Gardener Application

Classes will be held on Tuesdays, beginning September 12, 2023 and ending May 7, 2024 from 8:30 am-12:30 pm. at the Plantatarium: A Center for Exploration (PACE), 623 Fair Street, Gonzales, Texas. Classes meet every other Tuesday although this may vary to accommodate instructors, holidays, and other needs. Application deadline is 5:00 p.m., September 1, 2023. Payment of \$185.00 will be due with your application. Make checks to Gonzales Master Gardeners and deliver or mail to Gonzales Extension Office at 1709 E Sara DeWitt, Unit A, Gonzales 78165.

The Master Gardener Training Program is an education/volunteer program conducted by Texas A&M Agrilife Extension designed to increase the availability of horticultural information and extend horticultural projects through the community. We are looking for individuals with the time and inclination to fulfill our community goals.

Instructions: Please print or type and answer all questions as completely as possible.

Name: Last _____ First _____ MI _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Day _____ Night _____ Fax _____

Email address: _____ Date of Birth: MM/DD/YY: _____

Place of employment:

If retired, what was your profession?

Will you be able to attend ALL Master Gardener Training classes? (Beginning September 12, 2023 through May 7, 2024) Yes _____ No _____

When are you most likely available to volunteer for projects?
Only evening _____ Only weekends _____ Only during the work week _____ Anytime _____

Total years of gardening experience: _____ Years of gardening in Gonzales County: _____

Type of gardening experience: _____

Other related experience or training: _____

What is your experience with volunteer or community organizations? _____

Why are you interested in becoming a Master Gardener? _____

The cost of the course is \$185.00, which includes the Master Gardener Handbook, a soil analysis, entrance fees for field trips and other training materials. Please fill out the application so that we can order handbooks and prepare for the class. Payment will be due with the application. Please make checks to Gonzales Master Gardeners. **Application Deadline is September 1, 2023. Note: Because many volunteer programs work with youth or fundraising, state law requires a background check on all applicants participating in the Master Gardener Program.**

I want to be accepted into the Master Gardener Training Program offered by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension. I understand that in exchange for the training, I will be required to attend at least 50 hours of instruction and volunteer at least 50 hours of my time to the Gonzales Master Gardener Program within one year. I understand that I will become a Certified Texas Master Gardener only after I have completed the training and the required volunteer service.

Signature

Date

Return to: Texas A&M AgriLife Extension
Gonzales County
1709 E. Sarah DeWitt Dr.
Gonzales, Texas 78629
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For more information, call Gail Johnson (830) 491-1996 or call the Gonzales County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office at (830) 672-8531 (d-sexton@tamu.edu)