

## CHILDREN'S VEGETABLE GARDEN PROGRAM

### PARTICIPANT APPLICATION FALL 2012



**FOR WHOM: CHILDREN 8-13 IN AGE**

**WHEN: AUGUST 25 THRU DECEMBER 8 FOR 16 CONSECUTIVE SATURDAYS**

**TIME: 8:00 A.M. TO NOON (UNLESS TOLD OTHERWISE BECAUSE OF THE EARLY HEAT)**

#### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM:**

Texas 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 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:**

**Legibly complete the attached application and mail or drop off with full payment to the San Antonio Botanical Garden no later than Friday, August 10, 2012.** 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 (two absences are allowed). Participants accepted into the program will be notified by Monday, August 20.

*\*Please note the submission of an application and payment does not necessarily confirm acceptance into the program. If a child accepted into the program does not attend on the first day, the spot will be filled from the waiting list. Checks will be returned for children who are not accepted into the program.*

#### **Children's Vegetable Garden Program**

San Antonio Botanical Garden

555 Funston • San Antonio, TX 78209

The San Antonio Botanical Garden is a division of the City of San Antonio Parks and Rec Dept.

#### **Make checks payable to the San Antonio Botanical Society.**

A non-refundable program fee of \$40 per plot will be used for the purchase of seeds, plants, compost, fertilizer, mulch, and other Junior Master Gardener materials.

**Note: If an individual plot is doubled up with a family member or friend, the plot fee will be \$50.**

For more information or any special child requirements, contact the Program Coordinator David Rodriguez with Texas AgriLife Extension Service at [dhrodriguez@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:dhrodriguez@ag.tamu.edu)

# Application fall 2012

(Please print legibly)

Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ (circle) Boy or Girl

Attending What School \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone and e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number

E-mail Address

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.

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## **This section shows the importance of commitment to this gardening program**

Will applicant be able to attend the Children's Vegetable Garden Program every Saturday, **AUGUST 25 THRU DECEMBER 8** from 8:00 am till noon (**only two absences are allowed**)?

**(Circle) Yes or No**

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

**(Circle) Yes or No**

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

**(Circle) Yes or No**

Will child and family be able to attend the Saturday, November 17 Vegetable Show, Picnic and Recognition Ceremony which ends around 1 pm?

**(Circle) Yes or No**

Will child and family participate on cleanup day Saturday, December 8; for their plot and the garden?

**(Circle) Yes or No**

Will child be on time every Saturday by 8:00 am (unless told otherwise); do their daily chores; and stay for the daily presentation, as well as, participate in the daily Junior Master Gardener activity?

**(Circle) Yes or No**

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

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

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Child's commitment to the program signature:

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Parent's/Guardian commitment to the program signature:

*Monetary donations for further support and growth of the program are always encouraged and accepted. I wish to donate an extra \$\_\_\_\_\_.*