





## CHILDREN'S VEGETABLE GARDEN PROGRAM

#### PARTICIPANT APPLICATION Spring 2013

FOR WHOM: CHILDREN 8-13 IN AGE



 WHEN:
 FEBRUARY 16 THRU JUNE 1 FOR 16 CONSECUTIVE SATURDAYS

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

#### 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 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). Participants accepted into the program *will be notified by Monday, February 11*.

# Legibly complete the attached application and mail or drop off with full payment to the San Antonio Botanical Garden no later than Friday, February 8, 2013.

Children's Vegetable Garden Program

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

#### 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.** *The submission of an application and payment does not necessarily confirm acceptance into the program* 

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

### **Application spring 2013**

(Please print legibly)

		Age:	Grade:	(circle) Boy or Girl
First Name	Last Name	0		
Attending What School	ol			
Parent/Guardian:				
Address:			Zip Code:	
Phone and e-mail addr	ess:			
	Telephone Nu			nail Address
Have you attended the	program before, If se	o, when?		
Do other siblings want	to tend a separate pl	ot this season? _	Yes	No
If yes, what are their n	ames? Remember, tl	hey have to fill or	it a separate appli	cation.

#### 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, FEBRUARY 16 THRU JUNE 1 from 9 am till noon (only two absences will be 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, May 18 Vegetable Show, Picnic and Recognition Ceremony which ends around 1 pm? (Circle) Yes or No

Will child and family participate on cleanup day Saturday, June 1; for their plot and the garden? (Circle) Yes or No

Will child be on time every Saturday by 9 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?

Child's commitment to the program signature:

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 \$\_\_\_\_\_.