CHILDREN’S VEGETABLE GARDEN PROGRAM
PARTICIPANT APPLICATION
Spring 2015

For Whom: Children 8-13 in age
When: February 21 thru June 6 for 16 Consecutive Saturdays
Time: 9 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).

Please complete the attached application and email to programregistrar@sabot.org or mail to the address below no later than Wednesday, February 11, 2015. Participants accepted into the program will be notified by Friday, February 13.

Children’s Vegetable Garden Program
San Antonio Botanical Garden
555 Funston Place, San Antonio, TX 78209

We are proud to announce our friends at Milberger’s Landscaping & Nursery have generously donated funds to lower our program fee from $50 to $30 for a single plot, or $40 for a shared plot. The non-refundable program fee will be used for the purchase of seeds, plants, compost, fertilizer, mulch, and other Junior Master Gardener materials. www.milbergernursery.com/

Note: If the child’s plot is shared with a family member or friend, the plot fee will be $40. 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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Application Spring 2015
(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? _________________________________

Will you be sharing a plot with someone 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 GARDENING PROGRAM
Child must be able to attend the Children’s Vegetable Garden Program every Saturday, February 21 through June 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 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, May 16, Vegetable Show, Picnic and Recognition Ceremony which ends around 1 pm?

_____ yes      _____ no

Will child and family participate on cleanup day Saturday, June 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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Medical Info
Please let us know if the above named participant has medical conditions or allergies of which you would like the Botanical Garden staff to be aware. For youth program participants, please list medications your child is taking: ___________________________

Refund Policy
We are happy to refund tuition, less a $5 processing fee, when you cancel 7 days prior to the start of a camp. No refunds will be made for cancellations after that date.

Youth Programs
Your child must follow staff safety instructions, remain in areas designated by staff, and refrain from harmful behavior. Failure of your child to adhere to these rules will cause dismissal without refund of program fees. For Animal Botanical classes and camps, please consider carefully whether your child is going to be successful working and playing in a group setting before enrolling him or her in such class or camp.

PERMISSION TO TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS
I consent to and authorize the Society, its employees, agents, publishers, licensees, and assignees, permission to photograph, record, and film me or my child/children, in whole or part, and use such images with or without names, for marketing, editorial, trade, or advertising purposes and release and waive all claims arising from such use, including without limitation claims for additional compensation, damages, and invasion of privacy.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY
In consideration of participant being allowed to participate in Botanical Garden Programs, the undersigned hereby covenants not to sue and releases, discharges, and will hold harmless the Society, City of San Antonio, Texas, their employees, and agents (the "Releasees") from all damages, causes of action, claims, personal injury, property damage or loss, and liability whatsoever, including without limitation attorney’s fees, arising out of, concerning, or relating to the participant’s presence at the Botanical Garden, sustained by participant or any third person, as a result of the acts or omissions of the participant, any other person at the Botanical Garden, or the Releasees, INCLUDING THE CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF ANY OF THE RELEASEES.

Permission is given for emergency medical treatment or service.

By signing this form, I represent that (a) I have had ample opportunity to read this form and have done so; (b) I fully understand and agree to each term set forth in this form; (c) I have the authority to sign this form for each person under the age of 18 years listed as a participant; and (d) I have not been induced to sign this form by any of the Releassees.

Signature of Parent/Guardian, or Participant if not a youth:

X

Date: _____________________________

Questions? Call 207-3270 or e-mail programregistrar@sabot.org.

The San Antonio Botanical Garden is a division of the City of San Antonio 
Parks and Recreation Department.