Volunteers in Extension

Volunteer groups are one of the most important and unique aspects of the OCES. This is in keeping with the Extension philosophy that active citizen participation in planning and implementation ensures program success. As an MG, you will join this family of volunteers.

The "Oklahoma Master Gardener" title is to be used only and exclusively when doing unpaid volunteer educational work in the OCES MG Program; in which trained and certified MG's assist the horticulture program. Oklahoma MG's are not to advertise their names or place of business, nor to be listed on the advertisements of business places as an MG. This is an OCES public service program.

Recording Volunteer Activities

An MG on-line reporting system has been created to make it easier to record and keep track of volunteer activities and continuing education hours. This can be done on a daily basis or anywhere with computer access.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation need to contact Carla at carlasm@okstate.edu or 405-273-7683 at least two weeks prior to the event.

Share Your Knowledge With Others

IN THE MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM YOU WILL RECEIVE TRAINING IN:

- Soil & Plant Nutrition
- Entomology/Pathology
- Gardening
- Insect, Disease & Weed Control
- Annuals, Perennials & Woody Ornamentals
- Lawn Care, Turf grasses
- Pesticide Usage & Safety
- Pecan & Vegetable Production
- Tree Planting & Care

We will need a minimum of 12 paid participants to hold the course.

Course Dates

Mid-January (Jan 9th tentative) to late March will be our time frame. This course is a twelve week course, on Thursdays. Dates subject to adjustment, if necessary. You may bring a sack lunch, if you like. Schedule is pending.

Class hours are: 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Lunch 11:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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OSU EXTENSION MULTI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS



Master Gardener Course 2025





https://agriculture.okstate.edu/departmentsprograms/hla/research-extension/mastergardener/index.html

OBJECTIVE:

To utilize the present skills and knowledge of experienced hobby horticulturists and to train these individuals further in sharing their expertise and knowledge with others in horticulture. This expertise will be used in assisting the horticulture program in your local community, in one of the participating counties, Seminole, Lincoln, and Pottawatomie.

PROGRAM DESIGNED FOR:

Anyone with a High School diploma or equivalent with a genuine interest in horticulture that would enjoy sharing their research based information with others. Those interested in learning the latest OSU horticulture research results, techniques and practices. Anyone who enjoys fellowship with other gardeners and horticulturists.

YOU WILL RECEIVE:

Educational class time Educational materials Knowledge to last a lifetime Connections with your community

Certified Master Gardener Volunteer Requirements:

A minimum of 40 hours of assistance to your local OSU Extension Horticulture Program in first year by:

- Assisting the horticulture program
- Helping conduct horticulture educational activities and programs.
- Community Service Projects

There are many fun ways to serve —including assisting at the county fair, education work-shops or booths, serving with parks or beautification projects, and youth garden programs.

To retain Master Gardener Certification:

20 hours of community service annually 20 hours of continuing education annually

<u>Additional information can be</u> <u>found on our website:</u> https://extension.okstate.edu/county/ pottawatomie/master-gardener.html

COST

The registration fee is estimated at \$130.00 non-refundable, to cover material cost and background checks. The first payment of \$65.00, is due at registration. The remainder will be due on the first day of class. Cash or Check, we do not take debit/credit cards.

We need 12 minimum enrollment to have the class. Maximum of 20.

Enrollment for 2025 Master Gardener Class

Enrollment dates:

Enrollment is Open from October 1 to October 31. Please submit this form and first payment to Extension Office by Oct. 31.

Questions? Contact Carla carlasm@okstate.edu

I am interested in becoming a master gardener and participating in my county horticulture program.

(Name)

(Address)

City, St, Zip

(Phone number)

(email address)

Please complete the form and return to:

14001 N. Acme Shawnee, OK 74804

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