4-H Project Green Teacher is a school garden educational program for afterschool personnel, educators and others who are engaged in, or would like to learn more about gardening as a context for learning.

Grow Your Knowledge!

What is your worst fear when it comes to educational gardening--that things won't grow--that the kids will be wilder than weeds in the garden? 4-H Project Green Teacher is a program facilitated by Ohio State University 4-H personnel in Franklin County, in collaboration with School Gardens of Ohio comprised of area partners. This three day summer series features an option to go on a tour of school gardens on June 14 for an additional fee. The program is open to educators, afterschool personnel and others in Central Ohio who would like to know more about school gardening.



Backstory



History: 4-H Project Green Teacher was developed by 4-H personnel at Ohio State University Extension in Franklin County. The program has now

developed into a partnership program, reimagined by some of the members of School Gardens of Ohio including:

OSU Extension, Franklin County 4-H in partnership with:
Autism Power
Franklin Park Conservatory
Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District
Granville Exempted Village Schools
Slow Food Columbus
Worthington City Schools

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4-H Project Green Teacher



Seven hours, Three days Life-changing

Change your life and change the lives of the youth in your care through gardening. This three day series will increase your knowledge base, introduce you to resource personnel, offer networking opportunities, and boost your confidence as a garden educator. Research shows that gardening with youth has significant impacts including better test scores, increased love of learning, greater nutrition awareness and more.

Help us make educational gardening a solid part of the culture in Central Ohio by learning best practices in gardening education as well as ways to educate, engage and mentor others. Together we can grow school garden education in Ohio.



Topics to be covered

First steps

Site selection and soil testing

Overview of specific garden terms and practices

Composting

Integrated Pest Management (IMP)

Soil & water activities

Behavior management in the garden

Garden themes and types

Basic information about growing specific vegetables and other plants including cold weather plants

Connecting the garden to good nutrition; Farm to School connections; gardening in the city

Grant writing for the school garden

Hydroponics and aquaponics

School garden chickens

Plant-based foods and their amazing impacts on history

Season extension

Bees and native pollinators

Note: The program will take place at multiple locations either on or near the OSU campus from 8:30 to 5:00 daily. An optional school garden bus tour will take place on June 14.

*Topics subject to change slightly

How to register:

This three-day program will culminate with a Project Green Teacher certificate and the potential to earn up to 22 contact hours.

Cost: \$150 Register online at:

go.osu.edu/pgtsummer2019

Registration Deadline: May 24, 2019 (Refunds will not be offered after May 31, 2019). Please contact Sue Hogan at: hogan.239@osu.edu for additional information.





Shown are the Summer 2018 4-H Project Green Teacher graduates.