



Texas Master Gardener - Grimes County - Application - 2017

Upon completion of all requirements, participants are certified as Texas Master Gardeners. Master Gardeners then re-certify annually through volunteer service and continuing education.

1. I desire to be a Master Gardener volunteer in Grimes County. I understand that Master Gardeners are trained volunteers - community educators, who share their horticultural knowledge and gardening experience with their fellow citizens. If accepted in the 2017 Master Gardener training program, in addition to the \$175.00 * registration fee, I understand that to complete certification:
I will volunteer a minimum of 50 hours in Extension approved projects within 12 months after the last day of class.
I will complete a minimum of 50 hours of classroom training and all assignments/tests in 2017.
I understand to re-certify annually, a minimum of 12 volunteer hours and 6 hours of continuing education in Extension sanctioned programs is required.
I will join the Grimes County Master Gardener Association and pay annual dues, currently \$18.00.
I agree to a background check every 3 years - Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service requirement.

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

2. **Applicant's Name:** (please print) _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

County: _____ **# of years:** _____ **Daytime Phone:** _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name/Number: _____

3. List areas of specialization or hobbies (i.e. flowers, vegetables, ornamentals, house plants, community gardens, fruit trees, etc.)

4. Volunteer and/or community service: List the organization(s) and what you do/did:

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

5. Are you presently employed, and if so, where? _____

6. Check mark when you are usually available for volunteer service:

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Note
Monday	_____	_____	_____	
Tuesday	_____	_____	_____	
Wednesday	_____	_____	_____	
Thursday	_____	_____	_____	
Friday	_____	_____	_____	
Saturday	_____	_____	_____	
Sunday	_____	_____	_____	

7. How did you learn of the Master Gardener Program? _____

8. Why do you want to become a Master Gardener? _____

9. Circle one # for each statement below (0 - Not Important to 5 - Most Important)

Becoming a Master Gardener is important to me because:

1. I will increase my knowledge of gardening: 0 1 2 3 4 5

2. I will gain new skills as a gardener: 0 1 2 3 4 5

3. I will have the opportunity to receive useful training: 0 1 2 3 4 5

4. The opportunity to provide a service to people in my community/neighborhood: 0 1 2 3 4 5

5. The opportunity to share my knowledge with other gardeners: 0 1 2 3 4 5
6. I will gain a great deal of personal satisfaction: 0 1 2 3 4 5
7. Creatively use my free time: 0 1 2 3 4 5
8. I will be certified by Texas AgriLife Extension Service: 0 1 2 3 4 5
9. I will gain gardening experience that can help me get a job: 0 1 2 3 4 5
10. I will be recognized by people in my community: 0 1 2 3 4 5
11. I can get a tax credit for my volunteer work: 0 1 2 3 4 5

If the Master Gardener Training Program meets your needs and expectations, do you expect to participate long-term?
Circle: Yes No

Statement of Agreement:

- I understand that the Master Gardener program is sponsored by the Grimes County office of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.
- Furthermore, that the Grimes County Master Gardener Association is a nonprofit (501C3) educational service organization of volunteers trained in horticulture, landscaping, soil improvement, water conservation and other subjects of importance to Texas gardeners.
- I understand that AgriLife Extension coordinates Master Gardeners who provide leadership to this association while providing a variety of educational programs in conjunction with the Grimes County office of AgriLife Extension.
- I understand that as a Certified Texas Master Gardener, I represent the following and will adhere to their policies and guidelines:
 - Grimes County
 - The Grimes County office of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
 - The Texas A&M System
 - The Grimes County Master Gardener Association

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in any AgriLife Extension activity are encouraged to contact the Grimes County Extension Office to discuss specific needs.



Educational programs of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

Class Information:

Classes will take place for 10 consecutive Tuesdays.

First Class:

Tuesday, February 7, 2017

9:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. (30 minute lunch)

Last Class:

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

9:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.

Go Texan Building - Grimes County Fair Grounds

5220 FM 3455

Navasota, TX 77868

Registration:

* \$175.00 Registration Fee includes:

Educational Speakers (10 week course)

Reading and Test Materials - Texas Master Gardener Handbook

and

Master Gardener T-Shirt

Please circle requested T-Shirt Size: Small - Medium - Large - X-Large - XX-Large (if available)

***Early Bird Special!**

Early Registration: on or before Friday, January 27, 2017 for \$150.00. Mail in applications must be post-marked by this date.

We have limited space, however if space is available we will take applicants up to the date of the first class.

Mail Registration and payment to:

Grimes County Master Gardeners

c/o Grimes County Extension Office

203 Veterans Memorial Drive

Navasota, TX 77868

Checks made out to: Grimes Master Gardeners Association