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## 2020 Louisiana Master Gardener Program

Thank you for your interest in the Louisiana Master Gardener Program.

The Webster Parish Extension Office of the LSU AgCenter is pleased to announce that we are now taking applications for a new Master Gardener class to be held in the summer of 2020. Applicants are not limited to Webster Parish, but those from all over northwest Louisiana will be welcomed.

Classes are scheduled for 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., one day per week for 11 weeks. Lectures will start promptly at 5:30 p.m. and if you do not have time to eat before you come, you are welcome to bring a sack supper to eat during the lecture. Classes are tentatively scheduled to be held on consecutive *Thursdays beginning June 4, 2020 and ending with graduation on August 20, 2020*. Classes will be held at the Webster Parish Extension Office at 1202 Homer Road in Minden.

If you are only interested in the educational courses, this program is **not** for you. *Upon course completion, you will be expected to donate 40 hours the first year and 20 hours yearly thereafter of volunteer time working on local Master Gardener projects and assisting homeowners and youth with information that will improve gardening practices, protect the environment, strengthen character and beautify our communities. Training volunteers is the primary objective for this Extension educational program.*

Class size is limited and the deadline for applying is May 1. Applications will be reviewed in April and applicants will be contacted by phone for follow-up questions. You will be notified of your acceptance by mail and given registration information and instructions for submitting payment. There is a **\$150.00 registration fee** to cover the cost of the manual and teaching supplies. Payment will be received after your acceptance into the class.

If you have any further questions about the Master Gardener classes or have a disability which requires special assistance for your participation, please contact John Monzingo (318) 371-1371 or Marjorie Thomas (318) 624-2523 for assistance.

Sincerely,

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## MASTER GARDENER 2020 CLASS APPLICATION

Please mail, deliver or fax this Louisiana Master Gardener application  
(no money) by May 1st to:  
Louisiana Master Gardener Program,  
1202 Homer Road, Minden, LA 71055

Name:

Address:

Zip Code:

Phone: Home:

Work:

E-Mail:

Cell:

1. Why do you want to become a Master Gardener?
2. List any previous horticulture or gardening experience:
3. Have you ever applied for or participated in Master Gardening training before?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_ where? \_\_\_\_\_  
Did you complete the course? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What organizations or clubs are you active in?
5. List previous volunteer experience:
6. Are you employed? Full Time \_\_\_\_\_ Part Time \_\_\_\_\_ Not Employed \_\_\_\_\_
7. Classes are held on Thursdays from 5:30 pm until 8:30 pm from June 4 through August 20. Will you be able to attend each class?
8. Besides your interest in gardening, in what skills are you (somewhat) proficient?  
Computer applications:  
Word \_\_\_\_\_ Power Point \_\_\_\_\_ Excel \_\_\_\_\_  
Website Building \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Carpentry/construction \_\_\_\_\_ Plumbing \_\_\_\_\_  
Electrical \_\_\_\_\_ Art \_\_\_\_\_ Design \_\_\_\_\_  
Grant Writing \_\_\_\_\_ Organization/Administration \_\_\_\_\_

9. Do you have any medical condition which may limit your participation in the Master Gardener Program for physical or outdoor activities? Describe briefly.

10. The regular monthly meetings of the local Master Gardeners are held on the third Thursday of each month. Would you be able and willing to attend regularly?

11. When would you be available to volunteer time to the Master Gardener Program?

Almost Anytime \_\_\_\_\_

Weekdays (specify which ones) \_\_\_\_\_

Evenings (specify which ones) \_\_\_\_\_

Saturdays \_\_\_\_\_

Becoming a Master Gardener means becoming an educated volunteer who will commit 40 hours of volunteer service to the local Master Gardener Program during the year following the training class.

Are you willing to commit to that volunteer service? \_\_\_\_\_

Or do you only want this Master Gardener training to further your knowledge of gardening and horticulture for personal reasons?

I would like to be considered for the upcoming Master Gardener Class starting in June 2020 and understand the ensuing commitment if accepted.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**You are expected to attend all classes.  
A signed Letter of Commitment will be requested with payment upon acceptance.**