

Junior Master Gardener

Fact Sheet

The Junior Master Gardener program is an international science and horticulture based youth gardening program developed by Texas Cooperative Extension Office out of Texas A&M University designed to engage kids in individual hands on and group learning experiences which promote a love of gardening, and an appreciation for the environment.

✚ What defines a JMG group?

1. An adult Leader—no special requirements could be a teacher, scout leader or other volunteer
2. Establishment of a Site
3. Recruitment of a minimum of five youth
4. Usage of JMG materials particularly teacher/leaders guides
5. Complete Registration Packet

✚ Curriculum

A. There are four different curriculum guides that can be chosen based upon age and skill level. These guides cover:

1. Instruction on developing your own JMG group (ex: choosing an adult leader, recruiting students and locating land)
2. Science and Math based activities
3. Basic gardening skills, growing techniques
4. Community Interaction
5. Conservation of natural Resources
6. Conservation of Wildlife
7. Life Skills
8. The appendices of each guide offers ideas on project funding, recruiting volunteers and collaboration

✚ Cost of Program

A. Guides

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| 1. Teacher/Leader Guide | 38.00 each |
| 2. Student Handbook | 16.00 each—not required |
| 3. Classroom Set | 300.00 includes 1 LG & 20SH |

B. Activity Supplies—minimal most activities use household supplies

C. Any needed garden supplies