

National Garden Clubs, Inc.
ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOOL

Series 10-Course 3
September 27-29th, 2024

Fort Parker State Park
Park Road
Mexia, Tx. 76667
254-562-5751

Open To Everyone !!!

Environmental School Courses are open to everyone, regardless of National Garden Club, Inc. membership. Each of the four courses has an optional exam. **NGC members wishing to apply to be NGC Environmental Consultants must take all four courses and pass each exam.** Non-members fulfilling the above requirements may apply to be Consultants upon joining an NGC affiliated club within one calendar year of the completion date of the 4th course.

Next Course: January 17-19th, 2025

The NGC Environmental School Courses are designed to provide educational instruction to those who care about our natural world. The school consists of a series of four courses. The goal of the Environmental Schools is to teach environmental literacy to cherish, protect, and conserve the living earth. The courses teach participants appreciation of the natural world, encourages action for sustainable development and appreciation for the interrelation of all natural things. Land conservation, water conservation, and air quality are particularly emphasized.

The courses are intended primarily for garden club members, but they are also open to the general public, requiring only the payment of a nominal fee. NGC affiliated Garden Club members completing the series of four courses are awarded the designation of NGC Environmental Consultant. A non-member student who has successfully completed the four courses may apply for Consultant Certification upon joining a garden club affiliated with NGC within one year after completing the series. Additional topics and areas of interest that may be covered are subjects such as Reconciliation Ecology (the science of inventing, establishing and maintaining new habitats in places where people live, work and play), and creating backyard habitats to help endangered species such as pollinators and amphibians.

Sponsored by:
Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.
District V
State President
Lee Taylor



REGISTRATION FEES:

Three day school includes lodging, and all meals.
Credit/Refresher/Guest

(Please circle one)

\$150.00 + \$5.00-if taking class for credit

Make checks payable to :

Sarah McReynolds, ES Chairman

Memo line: NGC ES 10-3
1722 Hwy 14 N
Groesbeck, Tx. 76642
254-747-1144

Requirements: NGC form 6 for Students and Form 7 Consultants

SCHEDULE COURSE 3

Friday Sept. 27th

6-7pm Registration & Dinner
7-7:45pm "Air & Plants That Clean the Air"
7:45-8pm Testing
8-9pm Workshop

Saturday Sept. 28th

7:30am Breakfast
8am-8:45am "Environmental Ethics"
8:45-9am Testing
9-9:45am "Pollution Outdoors"
9:45-10am Testing
10-10:15am Break
10:15-11am "Pollution Indoors"
11-11:15am Testing
11:15-12pm "Endangered Plants & Wildlife"
12-12:15pm Testing
12:15-1:15pm Lunch

Sat. (cont'd)

1:15-1:30pm
1:30-3:30pm
3:30-3:45pm
3:45-4:30pm
4:30-4:45pm
4:45-5:00pm
5:00-5:45pm
5:45-6pm
6:00-6:30pm
6:30-7:30pm
7:30-9pm

Sunday

7:30
8:30-9:15am
9:15-9:30am
9:30-10am
10:00-11am

Travel in the Park
Field Trip
Break Back at Camp
"Plants in the Rainforest"
Testing
Break
"Monarchs in the Air"
Testing
Break & Fellowship Time
Dinner
Pollinator Workshop

Breakfast
Initiating School Programs
Testing
Graduation
Clean-Up & Pack Sack
Lunches

ALL WRITTEN EXAMS ARE TO BE “OPEN-BOOK” AND/OR USING NOTES.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ email _____

Taking for Credit _____ Taking to Refresh _____ Taking for Fun _____

“The National Gardener” is one of your reading sources. You can request a free subscription on gardenclub.org the NGC website. If taking for credit or refreshing bring \$5.00 so we can send your records to National. Bring your favorite snacks and beverages.

*******Also bring SHEETS, TOWELS, PILLOWS and BLANKETS*******

Course is \$150.00 payable to : Sarah McReynolds, Chm.. and may be mailed to Sarah McReynold’s address:

1722

HWY 14 N, Groesbeck, TX 76642

Pay \$5 cash for credit to National for recording and you can pay at the school.

The Course is limited to 30 students

Fort Parker State Park
194 Park Road
Mexia, TX 76667

If coming from south of Groesbeck, Go north of Groesbeck on HWY 14 for 5-6 miles...cross the river and turn left on the Park Road or if coming from the north from Mexia on HWY 14, go south for 6 miles and turn right on the Park Road at the entrance to the state park.

The rooms are located in historic CCC Buildings & Barracks. The rooms have been remodeled of course and will have central air and heat. We will all be sleeping in the barracks, there are 80 beds..but 40 are top bunks and 40 lower beds. Bring your sheets, blankets, pillows and towels. There are places for hot showers etc. in the compound. A break room is provided with coffee makers and microwave for hot tea, coffee or cocoa in the mornings in the meeting room. The meeting room will serve the meals and provide the room for the lectures and workshops and is less than 25 feet from the barracks. A field trip is planned for source study. Please bring warm clothes and comfortable shoes for this school. If weather is too foul for a trip, we have two gardens to visit with films. You may call and bring your check with you if you like but please let us know as all meals are

provided and need to be planned. You may help with meals if you let us know...otherwise we will have everything ready to go. We suggest you arrive on the 27th for an evening meal and a class and or workshop which will be fun and educational. The morning of the 28th and 29th a breakfast will be served, and the classes will start at 8:30 AM. Please plan to attend this fun and educational NGC School. Last minute registration will be fine...just call and let us know you are coming. Bring your favorite drinks and snacks. 3 RV hookups are booked for the school. We are going on a field trip in the park with phones!

LOCATION: Fort Parker State Park is located on the west side of State Highway 14 on Park Road 28. State HWY 14 is the Highway between Groesbeck and Mexia.

If you come from the Groesbeck on HWY 14 ... Park Road (28) is 5 miles north of Groesbeck and is a left.

If you are coming from Mexia on HWY 14...Park Road (28) is about 6 miles south of Mexia and is a right turn on

Park Road (28) west off State HWY 14. Turn into the Fort Parker State Park 6 miles south of Mexia.... on the park road (28).....go on in the entrance and bypass the guard shack and office, (unless you have a camper...stop at the office for instructions and passes for your trailer!) everyone else turn left on the next road on the left. Drive on around about a quarter mile, till you come to the houses with cars ...this will be the school. **Fort Parker State Park is open till 10pm.**

254-562-7571 Or call Sarah McReynolds 254-747-1144 Email: esarabeth@aol.com

Registration, lodging and incidentals or if you are lost.

Master Consultant Help- Classes, field trips and tests.

Environmental School III Winter 2024

Air & Related Issues

September 27th evening class at 7:00 dinner will be served from 6-8

**Sept. 28th - Sept. 29, Classes and tests * a field trip & workshops* Graduation* Chairman: Sarah McReynolds
Registration, Education Co Chairman**

REQUIRED READING:

The National Gardener— 4 issues per year

Student/Consultant Guide by NGC

RECOMMENDED READING:

Nature's Best Hope by Douglas W Tallamy

LIVING IN THE ENVIRONMENT by G Tyler Miller Jr.

Living in the Environment is continuously revised. In the Environmental Schools, the basics of Environmental Science, Ecology and an understanding of how earth processes works, aught. Recommended readings, as future editions are published, will be available from NGC, Inc., ES Chairman and/or Accrediting Chairman.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN SCHOOL SERIES 27, COURSE 3

September 16-17, 2024

George H. W. Bush Presidential Library

Theater in the Rotunda

(Free Parking)

College Station, TX



THE SCHOOL IS OPEN TO ANYONE WISHING TO ADD TO THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF LANDSCAPE DESIGN. Texas Garden Club, Inc. members and National Garden Club affiliate members may attend the schools to work toward a Landscape Consultant's rating.

Members that have successfully completed all 4 courses may refresh once a year for four years and work toward a Master Consultant rating. To maintain this rating one must refresh at least once in 5 years.

MASTER GARDENERS who complete a course may apply for 12 hours of credit to their requirements for continuing education in their county. After completing 4 courses, they will receive the Landscape Design Steward certification.

Registration Form

****Please print legibly****

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Tel# _____ Email _____

Garden Club Members ONLY: Credit ____ Refresher ____ or Audit ____

Garden Club Member of _____ Garden Club

Master Gardeners ONLY: Member of _____ Chapter
County _____

If Master Gardeners wish to use this course for continuing MG education credit, they must pass the examination.

*****Early Bird Registration Extended! \$135 if received by September 1, 2024**
Tuition/lunch fee \$145.00 includes box lunch and snacks/beverages both day.

Special Dietary
Needs _____

Make check or money order payable to: Landscape Design School

You will be sent an email to confirm receipt of registration.

Mail to Michele Wehrheim, Registrar

1218 Haines Drive

College Station, TX 77840

(313) 649-1067

*****We will be communicating hotel information, event information and other last-minute items by email. (If you do not have an email, we will mail it to you.)**

Questions: text, phone or email Michele Wehrheim (313) 649-1067

texaslandscapedesignschool@gmail.com or read on-line info about the School curriculum at National Garden Clubs website, www.gardenclub.org or at the A&M Garden Club website amgardenclub.com or contact your county AgriLife Extension Agent.

