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Become a Master Gardener

Calling all gardeners! This year the Meadowlark District will resume our Extension Master Gardener program. If you love to garden, or if you have never gardened but always wanted to, this is the program for you.

The Extension Master Gardener program, or EMG, is a staple of K-State Research and Extension. The program offers extensive horticulture training on topics ranging from lawn care, to soil fertility, to common plant diseases. These topics are supplemented with hands on gardening practice and volunteer work. Beyond the learning experiences, EMG programs actively work to embed themselves in their communities and create collaborative and welcoming environments.

The EMG training runs from September through November with a total of 40 hours of training. Each session is taught by different specialists from K-State who share their expertise with our groups. All trainings are recorded and posted online for those who cannot participate in real time. After training, all Master Gardeners complete 40 hours of volunteer work, focusing on educating and inspiring others in their community.

To learn more about our EMG program, you can attend one of our EMG informational sessions. The first session will take place at the Delaware Township Library in Valley Falls, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm on April 3rd. If you cannot make the session, email lauraphillips@ksu.edu to get updates on future informational sessions in Jackson, Jefferson, and Nemaha Counties or request more information.