

Cooperative Extension Service

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Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in the 2025 Woodford/Franklin County Extension Master Gardener Program, which is a horticultural volunteer training program.

The first training session will begin on Thursday, August 21 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Woodford County Extension office (859-873-4601). Training sessions will continue for 15 consecutive Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with the final training being held on December 4. The first half of the training sessions will be at the Woodford County Extension Office and the second half of sessions will be held at the Franklin County Extension Office.

The Master Gardener Program provides nearly sixty hours of training sessions held in a classroom setting with instruction led by regional extension horticulture agents, local industry professionals, and extension specialists from the University of Kentucky and Kentucky State University.

Topics covered in the program include:

- Basic botany, entomology and plant pathology
- Growing better lawns with less effort, while preserving the environment
- Understanding how soils affect plant performance
- Proper care and maintenance of plants
- Fruit, flower and vegetable gardening
- Composting and organic gardening
- Identifying, selecting, planting, and maintaining landscape trees and shrubs
- Diagnosing plant problems

Upon completion of the training sessions, participants become certified master gardeners <u>only</u> <u>after they fulfill forty (40) hours of volunteer service</u> from a variety of horticultural activities that fit the time and interest of the participant. As program providers, we pride ourselves on presenting factual, university research-based recommendations. We encourage participants to improve the beauty and quality of their community environment by using this information as volunteers.

The specifics of the Master Gardener Class that you are applying for are:

Location:	Woodford County Extension Office
	184 Beasley Road, Versailles KY40383
	Telephone (859) 873-4601
Dates & Times:	Thursdays, 9:00 - Noon, August 21, 28; September 4, 11, 18, 25; October 2, 9

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Location: Franklin County Extension Office 101 Lakeview Court, Frankfort, KY 40601 Telephone (502) 695-9035

Dates & Times: Thursdays, 9:00 - Noon, October 16, 23, 30; November 6, 13, 20; December 4

Class Fee: \$150 (due upon acceptance to the program), Payable by check, cash, or credit card to: Franklin County Extension Service

Registration Deadline: Friday, July 35, 2025

If you wish to apply for the upcoming Master Gardener Class, please fill out and return the entire Volunteer Registration Packet by July 25 in order to ensure your place in the class! We can only accept a limited number of applicants, and we do normally have to turn people away who wait too long to register.

A completed Master Gardener application MUST contain all COMPLETED forms in the packet.

Send all registration materials to: Franklin County Extension Office 101 Lakeview Ct, Frankfort, KY 40601 Phone: (502) 695-9035

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Email: Franklin.ext@uky.edu

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Thank you for your interest in the Franklin/Woodford County Master Gardener Volunteer Training Program. We hope to see you in the class on the 24th of August!

Sincerely,

Adam Leonberger Franklin County Extension Agents for Horticulture

Enclosures: 2025 Franklin/Woodford Extension Master Gardener Class Schedule 2025 Franklin/Woodford Extension Master Gardener Application