



Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Extension Master Gardener Volunteer 2023 Advanced Training: Herbs Hosted by Collin County – McKinney

Training Location: Myers Park and Event Center, McKinney 7117 County Road 166, McKinney, TX 75071 September 13, 2023 (Wednesday) – September 15, 2023 (Friday) *Please look at agenda for specific details and topics* 

## **Purpose of Advanced Training: Herbs**

To provide advanced training whereby Extension Master Gardeners Volunteers can obtain knowledge in areas that support or expand designed programs of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, specifically in the Earth-Kind® Environmental Stewardship Program.

# Goal of the Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Advanced Training: Herbs

In an effort to provide training, the Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Advanced Training: Herbs was created as an intensive multi-day training that will empower Extension Master Gardener Volunteers with knowledge and skills required to effectively support and multiply Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service educational outreach program efforts.

Master Gardeners who fulfill specified training and volunteer requirements will be recognized by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. This certification does not empower the individual with supervisory or administrative authority within his/her local county programs.

## **Advanced Training: Herbs Training Requirements**

To be eligible for this training an individual must possess an up-to-date Master Gardener certification or be an employee of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. The application must be approved by their local County Extension Agent/Program Coordinator. This Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Advanced Training is designed to train and certify Master Gardeners to become part of a state corps of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Herb Gardening educators. To become a Master Gardener with Advanced Training in Herbs, you are required to attend the training, fulfill the training requirements, and subsequently meet service requirements described below. Training activities during the course will empower Master Gardeners to complete these service requirements.

## **Time Commitment**

In order to be recognized by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Advanced Herbs, the Extension Master Gardener Volunteer is required to complete a minimum of 20 designated service hours within one year of completing this training. Thereafter, they should be a "go-to" person in their county's program in support for this subject matter.

#### **Resources Available in the Master Gardener Advanced Training: Herbs**

- Herb Training and Networking with Presenters
- Educational Materials on Herbs
- Direct Access to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, and more.

#### **Submission of Application**

Completed applications must be in our office by August 13, 2023. But don't wait long as space is limited, and the class will fill quickly. Cancellations must be requested by July 31, 2023, to Brad Voss, County Extension Agent-Horticulturist at <u>Charles.voss@ag.tamu.edu</u>. A \$100.00 partial-refund surcharge will be assessed. No partial refunds will be approved after August 13, 2023.