



University of Illinois Extension presents Dig-Into School Gardens

Supporting your school garden is important to us and University of Illinois Extension's horticulture team is looking forward to serving you in 2017.

To make the most of on-site visits, we are implementing a school garden training. **Priority will be given to those schools that attend one of the trainings below.**

We ask that at least three representatives (may include parents, teachers, school garden coordinators, administrators) from your school garden attend ONE of the following free school garden trainings to jump-start planning, recruiting helpers, scheduling garden installations and developing programming.

School Garden Trainings in Cook County (*Attendance is Strongly Recommended*)

Please join us at one of three trainings in order for U of I Extension to support your school garden in the 2017 growing season.

Saturday, **February 25** from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at 2205 Enterprise Drive, Suite 501 Westchester, IL. 60154. - Register [here](#) for February 25, 2017 training.

Thursday, **March 2** from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at 2205 Enterprise Drive, Suite 501 Westchester, IL. 60154. - Register [here](#) for March 2, 2017 training.

Saturday, **March 4** from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at 9415 S. Western Avenue Chicago, IL. 60643. - Register [here](#) for March 4, 2017 training.

Topics to include:

- *Planning and implementing youth gardening activities and reviewing available resources.
- *Fundamentals of successful vegetable and ornamental gardening.
- *Linking NGSS basics to the school garden programs.

We are excited to work with you. If you have questions, please contact Margaret Burns-Westmeyer at mburnswe@illinois.edu.

U of I Extension Horticulture Team

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