

NGC School Garden Project

The objective of this project will target elementary grade school. Student, with the guidance of teachers and sponsoring garden clubs, will be encouraged to create diverse native gardens. Students and teachers will be engaged in the education of native plants, the use of organic methods of both floral & vegetable gardening and the global impact of native plants in our environment.

A \$200 National Award will be offered for a Distinguished School Garden Project, and each region will offer a \$100 award for a Distinguished School Project.

Requirements

1. Project must be sponsored by a Federated Garden Club.
2. The garden based in an elementary classroom or on school grounds will:
 - a. Focus & study native plants in appropriate zone
 - b. Create a garden – may be large or small, portable or stationary
 - c. Must incorporate study of native plants
3. May be a new project or new phase of an existing school or classroom project
4. Any Garden “Club in participation with a school, that promotes the School Garden Project with a “Special Exhibit” at any meeting or as an Exhibit in a Standard Flower Show must list the School., City, and title of the project; list the benefits derived from both school and students and the sponsoring club. A photo of the School Gardens Education Exhibit entered in a Standard Flower Show will be required.

Application: Application forms are available on the NGC website (gardenclub.org) listed under Special Projects/School Gardens, or by contacting the Regional Chairman: Carol M. Bullard, P.O. Box 9, Pope MS 38658 or carol.m.bullard@gmail.com Phone: (662) 561-2348.

1. The sponsoring garden club must submit an original copy of the 1 page Application Form by December 31, 2008 with COMPLETE contact information which includes: Garden Club and Project Chair or Contact information, the contact person must be a federated garden club member. School Name, Grade, City, State and a Brief Description of Project and a Photo of the Project ATTACHED.