

# "Branching Out!"

"Branching Out!" is the exciting and educational gardening program for young people between the ages of 5 and 13 and 2012 will mark its 40th gardening season.

Beginning in April, gardeners meet weekly on Saturdays to prepare the soil and plant their own gardens. The program requires regular attendance and commitment on the children's part as they plant, maintain and harvest vegetables, herbs and flowers from their plots.

The summer session also offers many imaginative and hands-on garden related activities such as lessons on trees, insects and plants. Be prepared to get dirty! Gardeners participate in a variety of projects utilizing plants they have grown themselves including cooking and eating!

Gardeners may register for the Full Season program (Spring & Summer) or for only the Spring or only the Summer Session. The fee includes use of the garden plot, all the needed tools, seeds, transplants, craft supplies, and instruction for the various projects. Financial assistance based on family need is available. The Morris County Park Commission invites everyone to participate in its programs. For further information, or if your child has special needs, call 973.631.5004.

"Branching Out!" is administered by The Friends of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum with assistance from garden clubs and individuals in cooperation with the Morris County Park Commission. Gardeners meet in the Haggerty Education Center at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum, 353 East Hanover Avenue, Morris Township (across from the County Library).

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The graphic features a central yellow banner with "40th Year!" in green. Below it are three panels: a dark red panel with illustrations of a carrot, a green pepper, and a tomato; a green panel with a white outline of a hand holding a trowel; and a red panel with a green plant in a pot. At the bottom, the text "Branching Out! 2012 Registration & Schedule" is displayed in large, stylized fonts.

FIRST CLASS MAIL

"Branching Out!"  
PO Box 1295  
353 East Hanover Avenue  
Morristown, NJ 07962-1295

## 2012 Registration Form

Name Sex

School Current Grade  
(as of Spring 2012)

Birthdate

Street Address

City, Zip

Phone

Cell/emergency

Parents' Names

E-mail address (for internal use only)

Family members of The Friends of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum may deduct \$15 per child per full season or \$10 per child for spring or summer only.

_____	Session A Full Season	\$300.00
_____	Session A Spring	\$160.00
_____	Session A Summer	\$225.00
_____	Session B Full Season	\$275.00
_____	Session B Spring	\$150.00
_____	Session B Summer	\$200.00
_____	Session C Full Season	\$250.00
_____	Session C Spring	\$140.00
_____	Session C Summer	\$175.00

Send to: **"Branching Out!", PO Box 1295, Morristown, NJ 07962-1295**

## 2012 GARDENING SCHEDULE

**Please note: Refer to the grade your child is currently in for Spring 2012**

**Regular attendance is necessary.**

**The staff cannot maintain your child's garden in his or her absence.**

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	Session A Grades 4-7	Session B Grades 1-3	Session C Grades K
<b>Full Season</b>	\$300	\$275	\$250 (must be age 5 by 4/1/12)
<b>Spring Only</b>	\$160	\$150	\$140
<b>Summer Only</b>	\$225	\$200	\$175
<b>Returning Gardeners: Note new times for Sessions B and C</b>			
<b>Spring Session</b>	Saturdays April 14—June 23 8am—9:30am	Saturdays April 14—June 23 10:45 to 12:15pm	Saturdays April 14—June 23 9:45am — 10:30am
<b>No Gardening</b>	May 26	May 26	May 26
<b>Summer Session</b>	Tuesday & Thursday July 10—August 16 9am—12 noon	Monday & Wednesday July 9—August 15 10:30 am to 12:30pm	Monday & Wednesday July 9—August 15 9am—10am
<b>Harvest Festival</b>	Thursday, August 16 7pm—8:30pm	Thursday, August 16 7pm—8:30pm	Thursday, August 16 7pm—8:30pm

### Fall Harvest Dates

Every Thursday, August 23—September 27 times to be announced

### Year End Clean Out

Saturday, September 29 from 9am—Noon (or until we're done) Gardeners are REQUIRED to clean out their gardens no later than September 29.

To apply to "Branching Out!", complete the application form and enclose a check for the full amount of the selected program and make payable to "Branching Out!" Please note that tuition is not refundable after the program begins, unless someone from the waiting list can fill the position. Applications should be returned as soon as possible. Gardeners are accepted in the program on a first come, first served basis. Your check will be returned to you only if all spaces are filled.



For additional information, call 973.631.5004 or e-mail [gmontgomery@morrisparks.net](mailto:gmontgomery@morrisparks.net)