



Medina County  
Park District

Northeast Ohio  
**NATIVE PLANT SPECIALIST PROGRAM**  
Application

APPLICATION  
DEADLINE  
**May 15, 2022**

Return completed application and payment to Shelley Tender 6364 Deerview Lane, Medina, OH 44256

You will be notified of your acceptance by **May 23, 2022.** If you are not accepted, your payment will be returned.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

E-mail (required): \_\_\_\_\_ County of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Anyone age 18 years or older may take a Native Plant Specialist course. There is no teaching requirement unless you want to obtain the specialist certification.

Please check the option you are interested in applying for:

Option 1: Native Plant Steward

Option 2: Certified Native Plant Specialist

Requirements for certification status are as follows:

- Demonstrate the interest and ability to educate others through employment or volunteer status with an agency
- Complete all three (3) Native Plant Specialist courses (Spring, Summer & Fall) in this, or future, years
- Pass all field exams with a grade "C" or higher
- Teach at least 20 people **per course taken (cumulative total of 60)** about Ohio plants using knowledge gained from program
- Report the number of public educational contacts made to the Northeast Ohio Native Plant Specialist program coordinator Shelley Tender (reporting forms will be provided)
- Specialists maintain certification by educating the public each year

**\*\*\*Fill this section out only if you are seeking to be a Certified Native Plant Specialist (Option 2)**

Agency you work or volunteer for (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you: an employee a volunteer Your title: \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact your supervisor to verify your involvement with this agency? Yes No

If yes, who may we contact? \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Phone

In your current job or volunteer role, how many people did you educate in public programs last year? \_\_\_\_\_

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