



Youth Volunteer Program 2021 Application Form

Instructions:

For each question below, please read the prompt carefully and provide complete answers in the space provided. You may use a separate sheet of paper for your answers if you prefer.

Eligible applicants must be at least 13 years of age on 06/01/2021. Applicants under age 18 must have a parent or legal guardian sign the Parent/Guardian Consent Form below.

In addition to the completed application form, please submit:

- An essay demonstrating why you want to volunteer at the Garden (500 words maximum)
- A reference letter from an adult other than a parent or guardian

Completed applications can be submitted via email or mail:

Email: education@hsvbg.org

Mail: Huntsville Botanical Garden
Attention: Youth Education
4747 Bob Wallace Avenue
Huntsville, AL 35805

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| NAME | | DATE | |
| ADDRESS | | | |
| CITY | STATE | ZIP | |
| HOME PHONE | | CELL PHONE | |
| EMAIL | | DATE OF BIRTH | |

How did you hear about the Youth Volunteer Program? _____



Education

School Currently Attending: _____

Grade Level in 2020-2021 School Year: _____

Volunteer/Employment History

Please list any previous work or volunteer experience

| Employer/Organization | Position Held | Date(s) |
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Why do you want to volunteer with the Youth Volunteer Program at the Garden?

What qualities or characteristics do you have that would make you a great youth volunteer?



Tell us about a time that you followed through with something and stayed committed even though you did not want to finish it.

Tell us something you are passionate about.

What excites you most about working outdoors?



Do you have any other commitments this summer that limit your availability?

Which youth volunteer areas interest you? (You may select more than one)

- Horticulture/Greenhouse
- Youth Education
- Plant Conservation and Research

Do you understand that the Youth Volunteer Program takes place at the Garden and that transportation will not be provided?

- Yes
- No

Do you understand that this opportunity requires completing a minimum of 30 volunteer hours from May 2021 to end of July 2021?

- Yes
- No

I understand that acceptance as a youth volunteer 18 years of age or older with the Huntsville Botanical Garden is contingent upon successful completion of a criminal background check. I agree to provide a personal email address, which will be submitted to the Huntsville Botanical Garden HR department for completion of a criminal background check.

- I agree
- I disagree



Email Address for Background Check: _____

It is the policy of the Huntsville Botanical Garden to provide equal employment and volunteer opportunities (EEO) to all persons regardless of age, race, color, ancestry, national origin, mental or physical disability or medical condition, race, religion, creed, gender, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression or any other characteristic protected by federal, state or local law.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Print Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Consent Form (Applicants under 18 years of age only)

We value your child's intention to become a volunteer at the Huntsville Botanical Garden and appreciate your support of your child's commitment.

I understand that voluntary services rendered to the Huntsville Botanical Garden are not compensated. I release the Huntsville Botanical Garden from any liability or responsibility for any personal injury my child might sustain in the performance of voluntary services.

All applications will be reviewed without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, citizenship, age, disability, marital status, or any other basis prohibited by law. I am aware my child must agree to follow all of the gardens guidelines and policies and be aware that the garden has the right to release my child from the Garden's service at any time, just as he or she have the right to withdraw from volunteering.

I, being the parent or legal guardian of _____ (the child) give my consent and permission for the child to volunteer at the Huntsville Botanical Garden.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name: _____