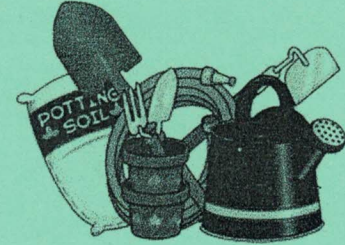


# STV Garden and Environmental Science Club Sign-up (a.k.a Nature Ninjas)

We would like to invite students to join STV's Garden and Environmental Science Club. Currently, the group is made up of about twenty 1st-8<sup>th</sup> grade students who meet Thursday after school to plan and develop the garden plots around the school and investigate the surrounding natural environment (marshes, streams, organisms).

- Goals**
1. Observe the natural world around us
  2. Prepare and plant the vegetable garden bed.
  3. Maintain the STV hummingbird/butterfly garden
  4. Plan and develop new garden projects
  5. Plant and maintain seeds for a seedling fundraiser
  6. Learn about nature, organisms, gardening and the environment
  7. Observe organisms under microscope



**Who can join:** any 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grader

**When:** Certain Thursdays after school from 2:30-3:40

## We will meet-

October 11 (tomorrow)

October 25

November 10 (field trip to Crabtree Nature Center)\*\* see below

December 6<sup>th</sup>

February 14

March 7<sup>th</sup>

April 4

April 18

May 2

May 16

**How to sign up:** fill out the form on the attached sheet

## Volunteers:

- Due to the age and the numbers of students participating, we must have at least one parent volunteer for every seven-ten students.
- Please think about volunteering for at least one of the all member's meetings.
- Sign up is attached with membership form.
- If we do not have enough volunteers, we will be forced to cancel some meetings.

We have a Ninja club t-shirt that participants can wear. If you are interested, please check the appropriate line below. Your check mark doesn't

\*\*\*Crabtree Nature center field trip is not run by STV. Instead, parents must bring and stay with students. Not mandatory but very fun.

## Nature Ninja Student and Volunteer Sign Up

If your 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade student is interested, fill out the following form and return it to the office **by Thursday, April 4**. **Fee is \$50 (\$5 per meeting)** which will include snack and cover some expenses like soil, plants, seeds, etc.. \$15 for each additional student from same family. Please make out checks to St Thomas of Villanova and include with your membership form. Questions, please email Mrs. McGarvey at [jhscience@stvschool.org](mailto:jhscience@stvschool.org)

Student(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_ home# \_\_\_\_\_ cell# \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

My student is allergic to \_\_\_\_\_  
If bees, do they have an Epi-pen in office? \_\_\_\_\_

### Going home:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Student will be picked up by parent
- \_\_\_\_\_ Student may be picked up by other parent named \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Student may walk home (5<sup>th</sup> grade and up)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Student will go to daycare.
- \_\_\_\_\_ other

**VOLUNTEERS:** We cannot run our garden without the help of 2-3 volunteer parents per large group meeting. Unfortunately, we will have to cancel large group meetings if we do not get volunteers. Please think about helping us.

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to volunteer for nature ninjas/garden club  
\_\_\_\_\_ every meeting  
\_\_\_\_\_ every other meeting  
\_\_\_\_\_ on these specific dates \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I would be interested in purchasing a nature ninja t-shirt.  
prices will depend upon number purchased. Probably around \$16 if we have more than 11 shirts purchased.