

School Partnership Request

TreesGreenville is a countywide 501 c 3. Our mission is to plant, promote, and protect trees. We plant trees at parks, schools, and neighborhoods throughout Greenville County. Any school in Greenville County may request support from TreesGreenville in one of the following ways:

Acorn Level - Technical Support & Education

- TreesGreenville will provide free technical support on one or more of the following topics: site analysis, tree selection, planting, mulching, watering, fertilization, and pruning.
- TreesGreenville will come to your school and teach a group of students an urban forestry lesson. Titles include: Trees are Good, Tree ID, Tree Planting & Care, Plant-Promote-Protect, Urban Forestry, and Sustainability.

Leaf Level - Educational Tree Planting(s)

- Submit the attached request and set up a meeting with TreesGreenville at the proposed site.
- TreesGreenville will provide a tree placement plan necessary for the school to submit a DFK.
- TreesGreenville will provide 1-7 trees, to be planted during the school/business day with an educational component.
- A 2-year watering plan must be in place.
- **The Site Partner is responsible for locating and marking all utilities and underground irrigation.**
- **The Site Partner is responsible for long-term care & maintenance, i.e., mulching, fertilization, and pruning.**

Tree Level – Community Tree Planting

- Submit the attached request and set up a meeting with TreesGreenville at the proposed site.
- TreesGreenville will provide a tree placement plan necessary for the school to submit a DFK.
- TreesGreenville will organize and coordinate a tree planting with volunteers from your organization and the community and provide between 15-25 trees. Tree plantings of 15-25 trees are Saturday mornings from 9-11:30am and begin with a planting workshop to train volunteers. We will bring tools and adult sized gloves.
- A 2-year watering plan must be in place.
- **The Site Partner is responsible for locating and marking all utilities and underground irrigation.**
- **The Site Partner is responsible for long-term care & maintenance, i.e., mulching, fertilization, and pruning.**
- **The Site Partner will help find volunteers from their school to help plant the trees.**
- **The Site Partner will make sure there is an educational component to support the tree planting.**
- **The Site Partner will promote their partnership with TreesGreenville.**

Please complete the following form and return it by email to info@treesgreenville.org or mail to PO Box 9232, Greenville, SC 29604. A site visit is part of our school selection process. Requests are reviewed and scored based on need and long term care & maintenance plans.

Site Name: _____

Contact Person Name: _____ Contact Person Phone #: _____

Contact Person Email Address: _____

Target Month and Year for Technical Support, an Educational Program, or a Tree Planting: _____

Please check all that apply.

Plant

- We are interested in educational tree plantings at our schools with students.
- We are interested in a planting of 1-7 trees at our school.
- We are interested in a planting of 8-15 trees at our school.
- We are interested in a planting of 15-25 trees at our school.
 - Our school community will serve as volunteers and they will help plant the trees with TreesGreenville and TreesGreenville volunteers.

Promote

- We are interested in having someone from TreesGreenville deliver a customized lesson to our students.
- We would like a copy of TreesGreenville's K-12 interdisciplinary curriculum (which was written by a Greenville County Curriculum Instructor and is aligned to SC state standards).
- We will include an educational component to support the tree planting.
- We will promote TreesGreenville and the tree planting throughout our school community.
- TreesGreenville's hard cash cost to plant 15-25 trees is \$3,000 - \$5,000. We will recognize TreesGreenville for their investment in our school community accordingly.
 - We have some funding to contribute towards this project.
- TreesGreenville's hard cash cost to plant 8-15 trees is \$1,600 - \$3,000. We will recognize TreesGreenville for their investment in our school community accordingly.
 - We have some funding to contribute towards this project.
- TreesGreenville's hard cash cost to plant 1-7 trees is \$200 - \$1400. We will recognize TreesGreenville for their investment in our school community accordingly.
 - We have some funding to contribute towards this project.

Protect

- We would like technical support and written guidelines.
 - Our grounds staff will participate in a free 30 minute mulching and pruning workshop with you.
- We will not pile mulch up against the trunk of the tree. Mulch will not touch the trunk of the tree.
 - We will maintain mulch around the tree that is 2-4 inches deep.
 - We will keep the base of the tree and the mulch free of weeds and other plants.
- We will not top the trees.
- Our grounds staff will participate in a free 30 minute mulching and pruning workshop with you if you find problems with tree care and the condition of existing trees at the site visit.
- We will fertilize the newly planted trees each spring.
 - We would like technical support and written guidelines.
- We would like to work with you to engage students in a service project to provide pruning and/or mulching tree care.
- We would like to request a Tree Care Workshop with TreesGreenville volunteers to provide pruning support for young trees on our campus.
 - We will promote the workshop and ask for volunteers from the school community.
- We have a watering plan in place. We will water the trees year-round for 2 years after the trees are planted.
- We only have staff to water the trees during the school year for 2 years after the trees are planted.
- We do not have staff to water trees during the summer while school is out.
- We have funding to place the trees under a watering contract during the first two summers.
(A 10-week watering contract for one summer costs \$1080).
- We have some funding to contribute towards a 10-week summer watering contract.
- We are interested in a tree planting. Unfortunately, we do not have staff to water newly planted trees during the school year or the summer.

PRINCIPAL'S PRINTED NAME: _____

PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____