

# CENTRAL MISSOURI MASTER GARDENERS ADVANCE MG TRAINING GUIDELINES

## Guidelines

- To be eligible for advanced training credit, you should be an active Master Gardener who has fulfilled at least the 1st year of volunteer service
- The content of the advanced training should be beyond (i.e. more in-depth) than what you get in the basic MG class
- Content should be research-based; e.g. based on information from peer reviewed journals, university research, and is statistically valid.
- Training should be at least 60 minutes for one topic
- 30 hours advanced training for Level 2; up to 10 hours on one topic will count toward the 30
- Training should reflect a variety of topics
- Advanced training participants are encouraged to share information learned with the local chapter through a poster, brief article for our newsletter, presentation at a monthly meeting, report or demonstrate how training has been applied to a volunteer project, or other method of sharing determined by the MG.
- Documentation of advanced training participation prior to February 2007 Can be submitted for review/credit.

## Recommendation:

- Survey members to determine priority training topics
- Organize 1 local advanced training course per year; hands-on training is encouraged when appropriate for the topic, and individual Level 2 workshops throughout the year
- Determine means of designing Level 2 status-name tag, certificate
- Follow-up with participants on how information has been applied to activities