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Applications open for 2019 Master Gardeners classes

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Applications are now being accepted for the 2019 Comal Master Gardener class.

The five-month class trains Comal County residents to be expert gardeners, learning from specialists about soils, fertilizer, plant growth, vegetables, flowers, pests, landscape design, native plants and more.

“Master Gardeners are a vital part of making Comal County a beautiful and environmentally sustainable place to live,” said Troy Luepke, extension agent for agriculture and natural resources. “In addition to caring for a demonstration garden that provides hundreds of pounds of produce to local food banks every year, Master Gardeners upon graduation become resources for their friends, neighbors and communities, providing expert advice and guidance on landscaping and gardening.

The class takes place every Wednesday afternoon from Jan. 16 through graduation on May 8. The maximum size is 30 students. Tuition, which includes the Master Gardener Handbook published by Texas A&M University, is \$220, payable the first day of class.

Comal Master Gardeners is a nonprofit educational association supported with funding and resources by the Comal County office of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. It conducts community and youth education, establishes and maintains demonstration gardens, and provides speakers to community groups upon request.

For more information or to register for the class, visit txmg.org/comal/training

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