

This document provides an overview of the questions. Please do not use this form, instead fill out the online application.

2018 Application - Texas Master Naturalists, North Texas Chapter

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The application deadline is Friday, December 1, 2017. Class size is limited. Each application will be reviewed by the New Class Committee to evaluate the applicant's dedication to the Texas Master Naturalist mission and commitment to volunteer service. Strong applicants are those who express a commitment to stewardship of our natural resources; a willingness to contribute their time to volunteer service; and a desire to complete the course work, homework, and field trips.

Please note that this form cannot be saved in progress. Please allow 20-30 minutes to complete the application. Applicants will be notified of acceptance status by December 20, 2017. If you have questions about the Master Naturalist program, please email Laura Kimberly at education@ntmn.org.

Email address * Valid email address

You must read and agree to the statements below.

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By checking the boxes below, you are indicating that you have read and agree to the following statements. Please enter today's date.

Month, day, year

Classes every Tuesday night for 13 weeks *

I will be available for the classes every Tuesday evening beginning February 6, 2018. I understand that, other than one class which may be missed without penalty, I am required to attend all other scheduled classes in order to attain initial certification. Make-up classes are sometimes, but not always, available. I understand reading and homework assignments are to be completed between each class meeting.

Read and Agree

Three required Field Trips *

I understand that I am required to attend three field trips, one in each category of Forest, Aquatics and Prairie, in order to attain initial certification. Field trips are usually scheduled on Saturdays but may also be scheduled on Sunday. Make-up field trips are sometimes, but not always, available.

Read and Agree

Volunteer Service and Advanced Training *

I understand that, in addition to classes and field trips, I am required to complete 40 hours of approved volunteer service and 8 approved advanced training hours by December 31, 2018, in order to attain initial certification. Each year, after initial certification, an additional 40 volunteer hours and 8 advanced training hours will be required to maintain certification.

Read and Agree

Liability Waiver, Code of Ethics, Standards of Conduct, and Background check, requiring disclosure of my Social Security Number *

I understand that membership in the Master Naturalist program is contingent upon passing a background check in order to protect the safety of our youth and adults. Online forms for Background Check Authorization, Liability Waiver, and acknowledgement of Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct must be completed before class begins. Volunteer service cannot commence until background check is completed.

Read and Agree

Class fee of \$180.00 *

Upon acceptance in the class, I agree to pay the class fee of \$180.00, by PayPal due by January 5, 2018. A few need-based scholarships are available. Additional information will be provided upon acceptance. Read and Agree

Personal Information Description (optional)

First Name *

Last Name *

Full name as it should appear on your Name Badge * text

E-mail address *

Street/Apt.# *

City *

County *

State *

Zip Code *

Telephone Day [Please enter in format ###-###-####] *

Telephone Evening [Please enter in format ###-###-####] *

Telephone Cell [Please enter in format ###-###-####] *

Preferred Phone Number: * 1. Day 2. Evening 3. Cell

Emergency Contact Information *

Please list name and best contact information for Tuesday evenings and weekends. This should be someone who is not in class with you.

Program Interests

Tell us why you are interested in the Master Naturalist program. * Long answer text

What are your goals for participating in the Master Naturalist program? * Long answer text

What qualities, skills, and abilities make you an exceptional candidate for the North Texas Chapter of the the Texas Master Naturalist program? Long answer text

Looking at the course cleaner, do you anticipate missing any classes due to prior commitments? *

1. Yes 2. No

If yes, please list the dates you plan to miss. If no, enter N/A. *

Can you fulfill the 40 hours of volunteer service and 8 hours of advanced training by December 31, 2017? *

1. Yes 2. No

If no, please explain the circumstances. If yes, enter N/A. *

When do you plan to schedule your volunteer service activities? * Evenings Weekends Weekdays Other...

Volunteer Experience

List organizations/societies of which you are a member/volunteer and provide pertinent details.

List organization names, position(s) held, volunteer hours, years.

Program Participation

In this section, your responses to the following questions will help us understand your commitment and interests.

What naturalist subjects interest you most? *

Mammals
Snakes
Amphibians
Insects
Birds
Snakes
Fish
Flowers
Trees
Streams
Forests
Prairies
Wetlands
Geology
Don't know yet - looking to learn more about nature and ecology
Other...

Do you prefer to work inside or outside? * Short answer text

What types of volunteer work interests you most? *

Public outreach at events and presentations
Habitat restoration and preservation
Wildlife rescue
Plant rescue
Trail maintenance
Leading outdoor walks and talks
Teaching and educational activities
Docent at nature center
Herbarium
Removal of invasive species
Identification of species
Citizen Science or species monitoring
Speakers Bureau
Administration (board and committees for the North Texas Chapter or volunteer partners)
Don't know yet - looking to learn more about all the possible activities
Other...

Chapter Service *

The North Texas Chapter is the largest chapter in the state. How do you anticipate contributing to chapter administration? You may check more than one.

Programs
Outreach
Project Leadership
Technology implementation or support
Special events
Newsletters
Board position
Accounting
Website maintenance
New class planning
Record keeping
Archives
Writing (grants, newsletter content)
Social media
Photography
Public speaking
Curriculum development
Don't know yet - looking to learn more
Other...

Demographics

Are you employed full time, part time, or retired? *

- Full Time
- Part Time
- Retired
- Not currently employed outside the home

What is your profession? *

Place of Employment. If not employed, enter N/A. *

Have you applied previously? *

Yes

No

Are you applying together with friends or family members? *

Yes

No

If Yes, please list their name(s).

Do you know anyone in the Master Naturalist Program? If so, please provide a name or names. *

How/where did you hear about the Master Naturalist program? *