

RECOGNITION AWARDS: Arbor Day Recognition and Celebration

Please note changes for the 2009 Arbor Day Project: This year Metro Beautification & The Metro Tree Advisory Committee wish to recognize schools for actively appreciating and maintaining their campus trees.

Deadline for entry: February 6

Purpose/Goal

1. To develop a sense of responsibility for the trees on the school campus;
2. To foster awareness among the school students, faculty, staff and parents of the trees on the school campus; and
3. To provide information about the school's trees that can be shared with the students, faculty, staff and parents during the school's Arbor Day Celebration.

Recognition:

Schools that complete the application will receive:

1. An invitation for the school's Tree Committee to attend the Nashville Arbor Day Celebration in Centennial Park; and
2. Recognition at the Celebration and on the Nashville Tree Advisory Committee's website.
3. A plaque recognizing the school's commitment to the trees on their campus.

About Arbor Day – Arbor Day is a day set apart for planting trees. It is observed especially by schoolchildren. Every state in the United States celebrates Arbor Day although the date varies according to local climate. Julius Sterling Morton, an American political leader and nature lover, established the first United States observance of Arbor Day. Through his efforts, April 10, 1872, was set aside as Nebraska's first Arbor Day. It proved an enormous success; more than a million trees were planted on that first Arbor Day. **Tennessee Arbor Day falls on the first Friday in March.**

How to apply for Arbor Day Recognition:

Please provide the information using the form on the next pages. This form may be downloaded as a Word Document from our website at

[/www.nashville.gov/beautification/education_programs.htm](http://www.nashville.gov/beautification/education_programs.htm).

Please feel free to use additional pages as necessary. Pictures are strongly encouraged.

Fax to: 862-8799

OR email the information to:

jeffrey.ezell@nashville.gov

or Mail to:

Arbor Day Recognition, Metro Beautification & Environment Commission
750 S 5th St, Nashville, TN 37206

Or send through Metro Mail at the address above.

2008 Arbor Day School Recognition Application Form

<p>crown and mark the end of each pair of branches by placing a stake in the ground.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Find the narrowest part of the crown and mark the ends of its branches.3. Measure the distance between the two pairs of stakes.4. Add the two distances and divide by two to get the average width of the crown.	<p>Largest Tree:</p> <p>Smallest Tree:</p>
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Tree Care Inventory – Find out how your trees are cared for.

Is someone at your school responsible for the regular watering of any new trees on campus? Who?

Is someone responsible for tree maintenance?
Who?

Arbor Day Celebration Plans

- Tennessee Arbor Day is the first Friday of March. To qualify for this recognition **a school must hold an Arbor Day Celebration.** The Celebration may be on any day your school chooses. Arbor Day Celebrations may include the entire school, one grade level, or one club or class.
- Suggested Activities for the School Arbor Day Celebration:
 - Read a short book or poem about trees.
 - Gather around the largest and/or smallest tree on campus.
 - Announce the results of your campus tree inventory.

Date of your school's Arbor Day Celebration

Describe the activities that are planned for your Celebration.

Number of Students who will attend

Number of teachers/staff

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