Community Garden Contact Information

Questions about garden assignments may be directed to Tiffany Budd, Sustainability Operations Coordinator, at buddt1@nku.edu. Contact information for each garden lead is listed below.

City of Highland Height’s garden lead: Gary Chinn Garychinn2@gmail.com
Asbury Methodist Church garden lead: Sara Howrey sara.howrey@gmail.com
NKU garden lead: Jim Nedderman neddermanj1@nku.edu

** Failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the loss of your garden plot.**

Expectations and Guidelines

- Gardeners are responsible for all planning, planting, harvesting, and weeding.
- All plots will be inspected in June by garden lead and/or NKU sustainability staff and all plots should be under cultivation. If plots are not under cultivation, they will be reassigned.
- Garden plots should be kept weed and pest free at all times. In cases where the plot is weedy, or does not meet the guidelines, the gardener will be notified. Failure to respond within seven (7) days will result in forfeiture of the plot. Garden plots will be reassigned after two “weed warnings”.
- Please conserve the use of water. Mulch with leaves, untreated grass clippings, or straw to reduce weeds and water evaporation. Notify your garden lead of any leaks in the water line. Make sure all faucets are off when you leave the garden.
- Each gardener is responsible for maintaining walkways adjacent to their garden plots and for helping to maintain the entire garden area.
- Gardeners are responsible for their own trash removal including weeds.
- Harvesting other gardeners’ produce without permission is strictly prohibited.
- Make sure your garden is regularly harvested.
- Limited communal tools will be available and should be cleaned before returning to the tool shed. Personal tools may not be stored at the garden site. Please lock the gate when leaving the garden.
- The community gardens are organic. Only organic amendments and pesticides should be used.
- Be considerate of your fellow gardeners. Do not plant sprawling or tall crops that will interfere with the garden experience of others. Individual fencing of plots is allowed, but must be removed when your harvest is complete.
- Structures (i.e. trellises, stakes, fencing) must be approved by your garden lead.
- If an emergency occurs in the garden, dial 911 immediately. When it is safe to do so, notify your garden lead as soon as possible.
• No pets are allowed in the garden area.

• If you bring small children into the garden, please watch them closely to be sure that no garden plot is trampled and no one’s produce is picked.

• Notify your garden lead if you are no longer able to tend your garden plot, will be absent for an extended period of time, or have asked a friend to tend your garden.

• Waste receptacles are not provided at any of the garden sites. If you generate trash or recycling while at the community garden, you are responsible for removal of that waste from the garden area.

• All dead plants, weeds, fencing, and stakes must be removed from the plot for the winter months. If you renew your plot for the next growing season, you may keep fencing and stakes in your plot for the winter. Neither NKU nor your garden lead are responsible for damage to items left in a plot over winter.

• Crops must be harvested once they are mature. We encourage you to donate extra produce. Contact Tiffany Budd (Buddt1@nku.edu) if you would like to donate your produce to the NKU food pantry for students in need.

• Your compliance with these regulations will help everyone have an enjoyable & prosperous garden.