

School Outdoor Habitats Application

Please fax or mail completed forms to:

Ohio River Foundation
P.O. Box 42460
Cincinnati, OH. 45242
Or Fax: 513.469.6755

Date: _____

School _____ Teacher _____ Grade(s) _____ #Students _____

School address and district: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Have you participated in our River Explorer Program? If yes, when?

Please describe appropriate school outdoor habitat space(s) at your school.

A number of factors influence the location of gardens including visibility, existing vegetation, proximity to a water source, and underground utilities. Gardens may be as small as 100 sq. ft, or up to 400 sq. ft. Not only do you need enough space for your garden, but we also need to have a few different options available for its location. Ideal places include: (1) Generally sunny or partly sunny areas (but shade gardens are possible), (2) where your landscape can "fit" them best, and (3) depending upon the type of garden, a place where rain is captured from lawns, downspouts, driveways, parking lots, and roads.

How do you foresee garden maintenance in the future?

Your rain garden will need to be maintained as any other garden would, especially the first couple of years as it is getting established. Some schools have incorporated the existing gardens into their regular maintenance plan while others have needed additional parent support, especially during the summer months.

Fee:

The fee of \$50 to \$1,000, depends on several factors, including the size and type of garden. The school is responsible for cost of equipment, plants, and other supplies and materials used for installation. At least 15 students must receive full program. Additional fees may apply to larger groups and/or gardens larger than 200 sq. ft.

Thank you for your interest in our School Outdoor Habitats Program. We will contact you should your school meet our selection criteria.

Questions: orf@ohioriverfdn.org