2025 JMG_® National Leader Training

The 2025 Junior Master Gardener National Leader Training (2025 JMG NLT) will be a dynamic, virtual & interactive training conference helping you to establish and grow sustainable school & youth garden-based programs. This popular conference event for teachers/admin, Extension faculty/staff/volunteers and garden/nutrition/health support organizations will be exclusively accessible as a fun, engaging & proven online format.

Tues, Feb 18 12:00pm-5:30pm (CT)

1 pm Eastern/11 am Mountain/10 am Pacific

12:00pm General Session
Welcome/JMG & NLT Overview

12:45pm Opening Keynote Speaker, Dr. Jay Maddock The Healing Power of Nature

1:55pm Field Trips: School Garden Visits

Quick visits with JMG teachers & kids from across the country & beyond

Champlin, MN Zapata, TX
Jackson, MS Osh, Kyrgyzstan

3:15pm International Feature, Dastan Mamytov JMG in the Kyrgyz Republic

4:15pm Closing Keynote Speaker, Betti Wiggins Cultivating the Future: Growing Healthy Communities Beyond the Plate

5:15pm Closing General Session

Weds, Feb 19 8:30am-5:00pm (CT)

9:30 am Eastern/7:30 am Mountain/6:30 am Pacific

Concurrent GROW SESSION TRACKS:

- TRACK 1 JMG Garden-Based Curricula
- TRACK 2 Growing Heathy Gardens & Healthy Kids
- TRACK 3 Nurturing Nature: Creating Earth-Friendly School Gardens/Outdoor Classrooms
- TRACK 4 Implementing & Growing Sustainable Youth Garden Programs

General Session, 8:30am
DAY 2 JMG NLT Overview

GROW Session A (9:00-10:00)
TRACK 1 TRACK 2 TRACK 3 TRACK 4

GROW Session B (10:30-11:30)
TRACK 1 TRACK 2 TRACK 3 TRACK 4

JMG NLT Lunch Break

GROW Session C (12:30-1:30)
TRACK 1 TRACK 2 TRACK 3 TRACK 4

GROW Session D (2:00-3:00)
TRACK 1 TRACK 2 TRACK 3 TRACK 4

GROW Session E (3:30-4:45)
TRACK 1 TRACK 2 TRACK 3 TRACK 4

5:00pm (CT) Training Conference Concludes

