OCCHD COMMUNITY GARDEN RULES

1. Plots will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis of each year.

2. Each gardener must complete all required forms before any work in the garden can begin.

3. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot and the adjoining pathways. Watering, weeding, harvesting and any other garden related maintenance are all the responsibility of the gardener. Gardeners may arrange for others to water their plots. If a reserved plot does not show clear evidence of active gardening within three (3) weeks, the plot may be reassigned. It is the gardener’s responsibility to notify the Garden Monitor if he or she is not able to care for their plot.

4. Children are welcome in the garden but must be accompanied by an adult and must be supervised at all times.

5. No permanent fixtures may be installed in a plot.

6. Mulching material must be biodegradable.

7. Do not apply anything to or pick anything from another person's plot without their express approval.

8. Gardeners must keep all tools and gardening supplies within their assigned garden plots. Each gardener is responsible for keeping the aisle and area surrounding their plot free of weeds, trash and tools.

9. Gardeners must bring their own tools. If the gardeners desire to store a limited amount of tools on site, a shed is available to place a storage locker. The storage locker must be provided by the gardener and preapproved by the Garden Monitor before placing in the shed.

10. Please do not leave the water on unattended. Please roll up the hose at the faucet area before you leave.

11. Water conservation should be observed at all times. Gardeners may only grow edibles and flowers, forbs and herbs that encourage pollinator and beneficial insects in their garden plot.

12. Plant tall plants and vines in places where they will not interfere with your neighbor’s plot. Planting illegal plants is prohibited.

13. Place dead, garden plants into the compost bin provided. Do not leave them on the pathway. Any diseased plants or weeds are to be bagged and put into the trash.

14. The use of chemicals is strictly prohibited in the gardens unless applied by a certified chemical applicator. If you are interested in becoming a chemical applicator, please visit the OSU Cooperative Extension Service located within the office complex.
15. By November 30, gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all dead plants and non-plant materials (string, wire, wood, metal, plastic, etc). Material that it is not biodegradable must be removed in its entirety by the end of the season. Garden plots must be left as they are found in the spring. If gardener wants to create a fall/winter garden, the Garden Monitor must be notified in writing with garden plans to be approved by OCCHD staff before November 30.

16. This is a tobacco free campus so please refrain from using tobacco products.

17. Pets, drugs, alcohol, loud music, weapons and fires are not allowed.

18. For your safety, garden hours are during daylight hours only. Consider gardening in pairs or keeping a cellular phone nearby.

19. Report theft, vandalism and unusual activities to the Garden Monitor or Security staff.

20. OCCHD is responsible for ensuring that the rules are followed at all times. Failure to abide by the rules and regulations set forth may result in your community gardening privileges being revoked including loss of the assigned plot.

21. OCCHD does not provide any form or kind of insurance for gardeners. Each gardener is liable for any injury or damage arising from gardening activities and hereby waives any liability or damage resulting from gardening activities.

22. The Garden Monitor has the right to expel those who cause disturbances or who willfully violate any specific rules, regulations or determinations as set by OCCHD.

I have read the above rules and agree to abide by these rules and regulations.

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________________

For any questions, please contact the OCCHD Community Garden Monitor:

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