



Growing Kids & Trees

For Virginia's Forests

Free Trees for Youth

Free Trees for the Greater Prince William Community

The Virginia Department of Forestry and Virginia Cooperative Extension are providing free hardwood seedlings to schools and youth groups. The purpose of this project is to improve water quality by restoring forest cover to residential and riparian lands. Prince William 4-H is offering tree seedlings (Indigobush, Common Apple, and Northern Red Oak) to youth educators for planting projects in the community. These trees are not meant for youth to take home and plant.

Tree seedlings will be available in our office, 8033 Ashton Ave. Suite 105, Manassas, for pick-up during the week of April 13th (exact date TBD) for planting before Earth Day 2026, which is Wednesday, April 22 and Arbor Day 2026, which is Friday, April 24.

Quantities may be limited due to demand.

Reserve your trees now by completing the attached forms:

4-H Tree Seedling Reservation, Project Description and 4-H Enrollment Form

Here are links describing the varieties offered for Spring 2026:

Indigobush (Quantity may be limited): Upright, multiple branching shrub, may reach 10 feet in height with a deep purple flower and cucumber shaped fruit.

Description <https://dendro.cnre.vt.edu/dendrology/syllabus/factsheet.cfm?ID=772>

Common Apple (Quantity may be limited): A irregularly shaped tree valued for its fruit and flowers. It flowers in the early spring with beautiful white to red blooms. Needs another apple tree or crabapple tree to cross pollinate and produce fruit.

Description [Apple, Crab 1-0 \(Malus sylvestris\) – Virginia Department of Forestry \(buyvatrees.com\)](https://buyvatrees.com)

Northern Red Oak (Quantity may be limited): A very large tree that reaches up to 100 feet tall. White Oak trees host more than 500 species of insects, birds and mammals.

Description <https://dendro.cnre.vt.edu/dendrology/syllabus/factsheet.cfm?ID=38>

Go to this website for more planting information: **4-H Forestry Project – Leader's Guide to Tree Planting**

<https://vtechworks.lib.vt.edu/bitstream/handle/10919/54968/420-026.pdf?sequence=1&isAllowed=y>

For further information, contact Pam Hardin, 4-H Youth Educator, Prince William, at 703-792-4761, or email phardin@pwcgov.org.



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Prince William 4-H Tree Seedling Reservation Form

Deadline: January 31, 2026

If you have any questions about this program, please contact:
Pam Hardin, Youth Educator, 4-H phardin@pwcgov.org 703-792-4761

Name of Teacher/Group Leader: _____

Name of School/Group: _____ Grade: _____

Address of School/Group: _____

Daytime phone: _____ Evening phone: _____

E-mail: _____

This order form and enrollment information must be emailed no later than January 31.

Email: phardin@pwcgov.org

Seedlings will arrive the week of April 13, 2026 for your pick-up. As soon as the exact date is known, you will be contacted. **If it is necessary to limit quantity or to make a substitution, you will receive notice to that effect, so please include a phone number and e-mail address on this order form.**

Species Available (Select link for species details)	Quantity
Indigobush (Quantity may be limited) https://dendro.cnre.vt.edu/dendrology/syllabus/factsheet.cfm?ID=772	
Common Apple (Quantity may be limited) Virginia Tech Dendrology Fact Sheet	
Red Oak (Quantity may be limited) https://dendro.cnre.vt.edu/dendrology/syllabus/factsheet.cfm?ID=38	

Please choose the species you would prefer from the following list. Include the quantity of seedlings for each species.

4-H Tree Seedling Project Description

This form must accompany your request for seedlings. Return to **Pam Hardin, 4-H Youth Educator, phardin@pwcgov.org**.

Please describe your tree seedling planting project: Project must include both youth and adults. Include location, and any special environmental considerations as part of your plan.

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Thank you for your participation in this program!



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