

## Garden Rules

These rules are in place to ensure the safety of all volunteers and of the food harvested from the garden. Remember that this garden is a community effort—it is a reflection of the values of San Diego Mesa College.

### Before You Volunteer

1. All volunteers must complete the appropriate forms prior to volunteering in the garden. All volunteers must sign the “Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement”. Students and community members must also sign the “Volunteer Worker Registration Form”. (Faculty and staff do not need to sign the Volunteer Worker Registration Form). You must be 18 years of age or older to volunteer in the garden. Forms should be submitted to Waverly Ray ([wray@sdccd.edu](mailto:wray@sdccd.edu), 619-388-2408).
2. All volunteers must read these rules and regulations and the Good Agricultural Practices document and complete the garden volunteer online assessment available at: <http://tinyurl.com/terramesavolunteer>.
3. If you are ill (unable to control discharge of fluids from your nose, mouth, or eyes, have diarrhea or other signs of gastrointestinal illness) you may not volunteer. We hope you feel better soon!
4. Closed-toe shoes are required. Long pants are strongly recommended.
5. Bring water, a hat, and sunscreen. Drink water, wear the hat, and put on sunscreen.
6. If you have an open cut or sore on your hand, you must wear a bandage and a single-use glove over the bandage.
7. A garden volunteer may park in the designated parking space in the P-100 lot only when volunteering in the garden. [The parking space has not been designated yet, so please do not park in this lot until the sign is posted].

### In the Garden

8. Safety first. In case of an emergency, dial 911. For non-emergencies, call or text Waverly Ray at (512) 665-0696 immediately. In the event of an accident or injury, a faculty or staff member must complete the Student Accident/Injury Report form.
9. Remember to wash your hands before working in the garden. Use a paper towel to turn off the faucet and do not use your hands to open the bathroom door.

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10. Close and lock all gates appropriately. If there are signs on the driveway gate that the Animal Health Technology students are walking animals you may enter the area but you must securely close the gate behind you.
11. Record all activities in the garden log (available at [tinyurl.com/sdtmlog](http://tinyurl.com/sdtmlog)). Remember to weigh all harvests.
12. Clean all food contact surfaces and harvest containers or bins prior to use.
13. All equipment must be cleaned and returned to the appropriate locations.
14. If you need to access the garage, be careful when opening and closing the garage door. When the garage door is open, secure it with the chain.
15. All produce must be washed prior to consumption. Refer to the good agricultural practices document for how to maintain sanitary conditions.