



# Wisconsin Center for Environmental Education

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## Suggested Web Sites

# PLANTS

### **The Great Plant Escape**

[www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/gpe/index.html](http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/gpe/index.html)

Featuring six “cases” designed for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders, this interdisciplinary site introduces students to plant science and increases understanding of how foods grow. Activities enhance students’ math, science, language arts, social studies, music, and art skills. Fill out a short online form to receive free supplementary posters.

### **Growing a Green Generation**

<http://horticulture.unh.edu/ggg.html>

Growing a Green Generation is a horticulture curriculum for pre-school to kindergarten age children. The curriculum was developed with input from both plant professionals and experts in early childhood education.

### **My First Garden**

[www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/firstgarden/index.html](http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/firstgarden/index.html)

Written for elementary students, the site covers gardening basics such as sun and soil, planning tips, and plenty of pictures and descriptions for selecting flowers and veggies. Also available in Spanish.

### **Plants in Motion**

<http://plantsinmotion.bio.indiana.edu/plantmotion/starthere>

Through time-lapse photography, the Plants in Motion web site highlights the amazing movements of plants. Quicktime movies document growth patterns and other plant movements. The website was designed by a University of Indiana biology professor and also features educational materials for nonprofits.

### **Plants of Wisconsin**

<http://wisplants.uwsp.edu/index.html>

A group of Wisconsin herbaria have developed this easily searchable online database of Wisconsin plants. The information is used in conjunction with other databases to generate distribution maps, accurate morphological and ecological descriptions, and provide electronic records of rare and endangered plants for scientific study. Major sections include natural communities, vascular plants, ethnobotany, bryophytes, and lichens.

### **Planet Plant**

[www.planetplant.org](http://www.planetplant.org)

Botanic Gardens Conservation International has a new plant conservation website for kids ages 9-12. Visit Planet Plant and check out the online and offline art, science, outdoor and botanic garden activities that will get kids excited about the importance of plants. Every month features a new plant with a great conservation story to tell.

### **School Garden Wizard**

[www.schoolgardenwizard.org](http://www.schoolgardenwizard.org)

This is an online guide to help educators start a school learning garden or enrich an existing program. The site features expert advice on getting support for a garden program, lesson plans and guidance for teaching to standards in the garden, practical gardening advice and more.