The Junior Master Gardener (JMG) program is offered through the Cass County office of the NDSU Extension Service. The course is designed for youth ages 8-17. Youth can explore their world through meaningful horticultural and environmental science activities that encourage leadership development, personal pride, responsibility, and community involvement. The program incorporates service learning and volunteerism, which enables youth to make a positive contribution to the community.

Peer and cross generation mentoring occurs when JMG groups interact with Master Gardeners, community leaders and other volunteers. JMG kids can be mentors to younger youth by teaching them about horticulture. JMG provides an opportunity for youth to interact and bond with nature. As they go through the JMG program, they can learn how to conserve our natural resources and make knowledgeable decisions about the environment.

**THE JMG MISSION:**

TO GROW GOOD KIDS BY IGNITING A PASSION FOR LEARNING, SUCCESS AND SERVICE THROUGH A UNIQUE GARDENING EDUCATION.

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