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Redmond High School Garden Club Receives Grant for Plant Grafting

Redmond, Ore – Redmond High School has received a \$750 grant from the [Redmond Garden Club](#) to purchase instructional tools for plant grafting.

Each year, the Redmond Garden Club offers grants to local schools for instructional equipment for education about plants and gardening in the classroom. This is the second grant that Redmond High School has received for its horticulture program.

The grant will be used to expand the horticulture curriculum to include grafting of woody plants and the development of instruction about the nursery stock industry. All fruit & nut trees, as well as most ornamental trees are grown from grafted root stock. The RHS Agriculture Program will be venturing into the industry of apple and hazelnut nursery stock. The \$750 grant will be used to purchase grafting equipment to meet industry standards to use for instruction and production.

Redmond High School hopes to develop a partnership with regional tree and nursery stock growers to further develop the program. Ag students will begin grafting trees in later winter/early spring with the ultimate goal to produce nursery stock for growers in Oregon and beyond.

For questions or more information on how to partner with RHS's agriculture program, please contact Lance Hill, RHS Agriculture Science Teacher, at 541-480-2530.

About Redmond School District

Located in Redmond, Ore, the Redmond School District serves more than 7,000 students from Redmond, Alfalfa, Crooked River Ranch, Eagle Crest, Terrebonne and Tumalo. The district operates five K-5 elementary schools; two K-8 community schools, two middle schools, one charter school, one educational center and two comprehensive high schools. Its mission is to ensure rigorous and relevant instruction which leads to mastery and the development of productive citizens. Learn more about RSD online at www.redmond.k12.or.us.

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