

2024 Middle TN Landscape & Grounds Management Shortcourse

January 10-11, 2024

Williamson Co. Ag EXPO Park

Franklin, TN

January 10

- 9-10 am *“Woody Plants-If You Plant Studs Instead of Duds You Won’t Need as Many Pesticide Suds!”*
Justin Stefanski, UT Extension Agent, Rutherford County
- 10-11 am *“Applying Pesticides & Living to Talk About It”*
Mitchell Mote, UT Extension Agent, Rutherford County
- 11-12 pm *“What to Do About All of These Bugs”* Amy Dunlap, UT Extension Agent, Davidson County
- 12 – 1 pm Lunch
- 1-2 pm *“Weeds in Turfgrass – The Fight Goes On”* Dr. Jim Brosnan & Greg Breeden, UT Turfgrass Weed Science
- 2-3 pm *“Essential IPM Practices to Grow Turfgrass in the Transition Zone”* Dr. Becky Bowling, UT Extension Turfgrass Specialist

January 11

- 9-10 am *“Native Plants-Can They Really Reduce the Need for Pesticide Use?”* Emily Richards, UT Extension Agent, Sumner County
- 10-1130 am *“Tree Care-Planting & Pruning-Essential Elements of Urban Forestry IPM”* Karla Gargus, TSU Extension Agent and ISA Certified Arborist, Montgomery County
- 1130-12 pm *“New Faces in UT Extension Entomology & Pathology”* Meet Dr. Midhula Gireesh & Dr. Nar Ranabhat, UT Soil, Plant, and Pest Center
- 12-1 pm Lunch
- 1-2 pm *“Maintenance of Water Control/Bioretenion Features to Reduce Pesticide & Nutrient Runoff”*
Dr. Andrea Ludwig, UT Biosystems Engineering & Soil Science
- 2-3 pm *“Talking Shop-Panel Discussion including Green Team Agents & program presenters about ongoing & emerging challenges faced by Green Industry professionals, i.e., wild violet & little barley control, where did all this Volutella blight on boxwoods come from, Spotted Lantern Fly, etc.*