We Plant. We Celebrate.

"Student engagement is improving and student discipline issues are decreasing as a result of the children interacting with nature, which satisfies their curiosity and allows them to solve problems in a real-world setting."

Lisa Lovato, Principal, Dan D. Rogers Elementary School

Cool Schools Program

Bringing Outdoor Classrooms to North Texas Schools
Cool Schools connect students and teachers to nature by planting trees and creating fun and engaging outdoor experiential learning areas. These spaces cultivate children's knowledge and awareness of the natural environment.

Research shows outdoor time can result in academic and health benefits for children. According to the University of Champaign Urbana of Illinois, kids who spend more time outside end up paying more attention inside. Trees and nature lower aggression and symptoms of ADHD, and children are better able to concentrate, complete tasks, and follow directions.

Cool Schools promote hands-on outdoor environmental activities with a STEM-based/TEKS-aligned curriculum, so no child is left inside!

ABOUT TEXAS TREES FOUNDATION

The Texas Trees Foundation (Texas Trees) serves as a catalyst in creating a new green legacy for North Texas through transformational, research-based plans that educate and mobilize the public to activate the social, economic, environmental, and health benefits that trees and urban forestry provide.

GET INVOLVED WITH COOL SCHOOLS

- **Sponsorship/Partnership** opportunities are available through the sponsorship of Cool Schools campuses. Cool Schools are an investment in our children’s health, education, and overall quality of life based on research. This program also positively impacts the surrounding community and environment.

- **Volunteer** and team building opportunities for individuals, groups, and businesses are available at Cool School planting days and celebration days. Volunteers learn proper tree planting techniques for future volunteer opportunities or in their own personal lives.

Contact Texas Trees Foundation at (214) 953-1184 or info@texastrees.org to learn more about how to get involved!