



# Tree Campus *Higher Education*



An Arbor Day Foundation Program

## RECOGNIZING BEST PRACTICES IN CAMPUS COMMUNITY FORESTRY

The Tree Campus Higher Education program helps colleges and universities establish and sustain healthy community forests.



Colleges and universities are required to meet **five core standards of tree care and community engagement**:

1. Establishment of a Campus Tree Advisory Committee
2. Evidence of a Campus Tree Care Plan
3. Verification of dedicated annual expenditures on the Campus Tree Plan
4. Involvement in an Arbor Day Observance
5. Institution of a Service Learning Project aimed at engaging the student body

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## WHY SHOULD MY SCHOOL PARTICIPATE?

Trees are a solution to some of the greatest issues we face, including climate change. Around the globe, trees lead to a healthier environment, economy, and society.

## BUT YOUR CAMPUS CAN BENEFIT AS WELL:

- A commitment to trees on your campus can significantly reduce the amount of energy a campus, and community, needs to generate.
- Planting, and maintaining, trees on your campus and in the community reduces carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
- Green spaces on campus provide critical mental health benefits to students and staff and encourage physical activity.
- Involving students in service learning projects focusing on the planning, planting, and maintenance of trees on campus encourages their commitment to creating a more sustainable future for all.

Tree Campus Higher Education colleges and universities will receive **recognition materials** that can be showcased throughout the campus, as well as press releases to be distributed on campus and in the community.

By meeting the annual standards and being recognized as a Tree Campus Higher Education college or university, you will create a campus that not only helps to benefit and create a more sustainable environment, but instills pride in the students, faculty, and community.

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