

Arbor Day Celebration

April 29, 2022



Arbor Day

National Arbor Day is April 29, 2022. This year marks the 150th anniversary of the tree planter's holiday.

On January 4, 1872, J. Sterling Morton, a strong advocate of trees, first proposed a tree planting holiday to be called "Arbor Day" at a meeting of the Nebraska State Board of Agriculture.

Today, Arbor Day is celebrated in all 50 states and typically falls on the last Friday of April. This holiday celebrates the importance of trees and makes a promise to the future with the belief that each tree will grow to provide clean air and water, cooling shade, wildlife habitat, a healthier community and natural beauty.



Full grown Bur Oak, above. A young bur oak was planted at the Park District for Arbor Day 2020

Community Involvement

The planting of a tree is a promise to the future, which is why we love to have our local schools join us in the Arbor Day celebration. We plant a tree as a promise to their future, while they begin their journey learning to be good stewards of our urban forest



Example of a Peking Lilac; Arbor Day 2021 a Peking lilac was planted in front of Field Stevenson



2022 Location

We will plant this year's Arbor Day tree in the parkway along the East side of Garfield School

The Tree

We have chosen a Redpointe Maple for this location based on an arborist's recommendation. We also chose it because it is an excellent shade tree with beautiful fall foliage



Participation

We invite the community to attend the planting of the tree at 9 am on Friday, April 29th. We have invited D91 students and staff to join in the celebration

Education

Explore fun, educational projects that celebrate trees. Here is a link to some suggestions from the [Arbor Day Foundation](#)

