



Youth Stewards Volunteer Program – 6th-10th Grade

Arastradero Preserve

January–April 2024

[Grassroots Ecology](#) invites local 6th through 10th grade students to apply to our Youth Stewards volunteer cohort at [Arastradero Preserve \(Palo Alto\)](#). Approximate meeting location is linked. Youth Stewards will have the opportunity to meet new friends, learn about nature from expert staff, enhance their observation skills, and help restore local California creekside and grassland ecosystems through planting, weeding, mulching, and more. This is a 12-week volunteer and educational experience for local 6th-10th grade students. While there is no mandatory number of sessions required for participation, regular attendance is encouraged.

Learn more about our other high school and college [Youth Stewards volunteer cohorts](#).

The Youth Stewards 6th-10th grade volunteer cohort at Arastradero Preserve will meet on **Wednesday** afternoons, from **3:30 PM-5:30 PM (2 hours)** on the following dates:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">● January 31, 2024● February 7, 2024● February 14, 2024● February 21, 2024● February 28, 2024● March 6, 2024 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● March 13, 2024● March 20, 2024● March 27, 2024● April 3, 2024● April 10, 2024● April 17, 2024 |
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Visit Grassroots Ecology's ["Arastradero Preserve" page](#) to learn more about the ecosystems and accessibility considerations.

Requirements

- 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, or 10th grade student
- Reliable transportation to and from volunteer site each week to arrive on time
- Motivated, curious, and positive attitude about working outdoors
- Excited to work in a group setting, follow safety expectations, and show respect toward wildlife and other participants
- Enjoy spending time outdoors, including in hot and exposed or wet and cold conditions, with energy to engage in manual labor tasks for 1-2 hours at a time
- Must complete an interest form and online liability waiver before volunteering

How to Participate

- Fill out the [volunteer interest form](#). Students will be notified of the next steps to participate via email.
- We anticipate the number of interested students to exceed our capacity. Complete the interest form as early as possible!
- Questions? Contact Community Engagement Manager, Valerie Lee, at volunteer@grassrootsecology.org.

