

Landscape Design Activity
Approximately 30 minutes

EMGs will work as teams to develop a landscape design that demonstrates design principles in a box (beer flat box, shoe box or other small box). Potting mix or sand should be used in the bottom of the box as a building base for the materials. Materials used to make the landscape can be a combination of plant parts (twigs, sticks, seed heads, leaves...) and various items you would find in your home (construction paper, glue, foil, trash). The landscape should be designed using relative scale, a large shade tree should be taller than a small shrub.

Develop a concept for the space and then build the design around that concept. Discuss the purpose of each plant/groups of plants (environmental, functional, and aesthetic considerations) and any specific characteristics (color, form, texture, height, etc.) each plant/group of plants should have and why it was placed in that location.

At the end of the time, each team will present their design to the group in their location.

