

# **NYFOA Woodlands Mini Grants**

a charitable program of the NY Forest Owners Association

Do you know a teacher or group leader in NY state that has interest in trees and forests that could make use of \$100 to help fund an educational youth program? If so, a NYFOA Woodlands Mini Grant might help!

#### Here's how NYFOA Woodlands Mini Grants Work

The teacher or group leader completes an application form, which tells NYFOA about the proposed youth program, including its potential benefits to children and woodlands, and how the funds will be spent. Based on NYFOA's review of the applications, which can be sent in at any time during the year, some \$100 grants will be awarded until any available funds are expended.

### Here are some requirements if you receive a NYFOA Mini Grant

1. Spend the grant money only as you described in your application.

2. Communicate with your assigned Master Forest Owner (MFO). MFOs are trained at Cornell and will help you with any questions that arise.

3. Complete a one-page summary report form telling NYFOA about the results of your program. NYFOA will publish your summaries on it website including photos you may send in.

#### That's it!

Our children are important to the future of our forests. NYFOA Woodlands Mini Grants offer a simple process to help fund forestry-related youth programs in and around the classroom.

#### Are you a NY-state teacher that has interest in woodlands, but need an idea for a mini grant?

The Northeast Timber Growing Contest is a great opportunity to teach children about trees and forests while engaging in a friendly competition. The contest's details are located here: <u>www.timbercontest.com</u>. Entering the timber contest is a perfect use of a portion of the mini grant funds as some supplies are needed. If you're interested in the contest, send Dean (dfaklis@frontiernet.net) or Dave (kdwillmill@gmail.com) a note and they will help!

# Get your NYFOA Woodlands Mini Grant application in today!