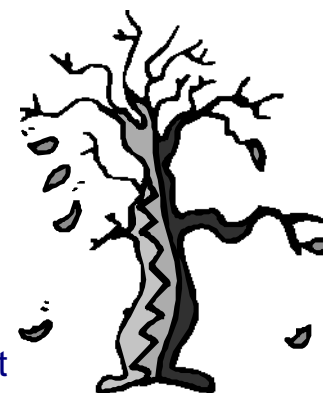


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Join the “Elm Guard” Today!

You can help protect our elms by forming an “Elm Guard” in your school, club or community. Here are some ideas of what to do:

- Make some DED awareness posters and post them in public places to let others know what DED looks like and what to do if they see the symptoms.
- Form a “Wilt Watcher” patrol to watch for elm leaves that are wilting, turning yellow, curling and turning brown. If you see this report it to your local park officials or by calling 1-800-SASKELM (1-800-727-5356).
- Do a door-to-door walk in your neighborhood to alert homeowners about the dangers of storing, using, or transporting elm firewood. In fact you can tell them it is illegal! Elm logs will have gray-brown bark with deep ridges. The bark looks like oreo cookies (it has dark and light layers) when cut through.
- Make “No Elm Pruning” signs and put them up in your community during the annual pruning ban which runs from April 13th to July 31st.
- Get everyone involved banding their trees against canker worms if they are a problem in your community. This won’t prevent DED, but it will help keep your trees healthier.



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