Students Get Hands Dirty with Planting Project

Coastal Roots, a combined effort by the LSU College of Education, Ag Center, and Louisiana Sea Grant College Program, invited nearly 100 middle school students to plant about 1,000 swamp red maple and bald cypress seeds in the program’s new nursery, called the “can yard.” The young plants are nurtured until they are large enough for placing in the wild, helping restore Louisiana wetlands. Seventeen schools in 10 parishes currently participate in the Coastal Roots program.