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Extension Offers Seed Starting Workshop

Many seed catalogs are coming in the mail this month. While it may not be time to plant those outdoor warm season vegetables you can cheat nature and start seeds indoors. There are many varieties of tomato and pepper seeds out there. A lot of these varieties are not available as transplants in the stores.

Sometimes the only way to guarantee you have these varieties for your vegetable garden is to order the seeds. Many gardeners have tried this only to end up with leggy plants that aren't ready when the time comes to plant. Greenhouses are not an option for most, but starting seeds indoors can be fun and successful.

The St. Clair County Extension office is hosting a Seed Starting Workshop on Friday, February 17th, 2012 from 9 a.m.—11 a.m. at the Pell City Civic Center. Cost is \$10 per person which covers all materials needed and each participant will take home a flat of tomatoes to grow indoors at home. Pre-registration and payment is required no later than February 10th. Class size is limited to 25. This workshop will cover all aspects of growing healthy seedlings for transplanting at home. This is a hands-on workshop, so prepare to get your hands dirty.

For more information about the workshop, please contact Danielle Carroll, Outreach Programs Administrator, at the St. Clair County Extension Office at (205) 338-9416. Registrations forms are available to download and print at www.aces.edu/stclair or pick one up at the Extension office located on the lower level of the St. Clair County Courthouse in Pell City in Suite 103.