

The John Stanford Memorial Grove was established and planted to commemorate the Superintendent of Seattle Public Schools who passed away in late 1998. He was a staunch supporter of education and he changed Seattle Public Schools in ways that are still being felt until today.

There were 70 trees planted in his memory at 70 different school sites. Some schools were under construction and, therefore, trees were not planted at all the school sites. The list compiled below is from the original planting list and the plantings were finished in 2001. You can read through each tree-species description below and then find a school by name where a tree was planted in John Stanford's honor.

List of Tree Species

LARGE DECIDUOUS TREES:

- Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*) 60' height x 25' spread Full Sun: Prefers moist sites, though somewhat drought tolerant. Rapid Growth
- Ginkgo (*Ginkgo biloba*) 50' height x narrow to spreading. Specimen. Shade tree. Use known Male trees only, or named varieties. Prefers well drained soils. Drought tolerant once established.
- Zelkova (*Zelkova serrata*) 50-60' height, nearly as wide. Prefers shade.

TALL COLUMNAR TREES:

- Columnar Red Maple (*Acer rubrum* 'Columnare') 60' height x 20' spread. Specimen street tree. Tall narrow tree. Prefers Full Sun and moist soils. Somewhat drought tolerant and rapid growth.
- European Hornbeam (*Carpinus betulus* 'Columnar') 40' height x 20' spread. Specimen tree. Prefers shade. Has upright growth and rounded crown. Tolerant of dry, compacted soils.

MEDIUM SIZED DECIDUOUS TREES:

- Hedge Maple (*Acer campestre*) 30' height x 30' spread. Street tree. Rounded canopy and prefers full sun to light shade. Drought tolerant.
- Vine Maple (*Acer circinatum*) 30' height x 20' spread. Usually multi-trunk and prefers shade in moist soils.
- Japanese Hornbeam (*Carpinus japonica*) 30' height x 15' spread. Specimen, in shrub beds. Prefers full sun to partial shade and drought tolerant.
- Japanese Dogwood (*Cornus kousa*) 30' height x 25' spread. Specimen, in shrub beds. Horizontal branching. Prefers full sun to partial shade and slightly acidic, moist soils.

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- Persian Parrotia (*Parrotia persica*) 30' height x 35' spread. Specimen tree, found in shrub beds. Wide spreading branches and interesting bark. Prefers full sun to partial shade and drought tolerant once established.

CONIFERS:

- Coast Redwood (*Sequoia sempervirens*) 80' height
- Alaskan Yellow Cedar (*Chamaecyparis nootkatensis* 'Pendula') 30' height
- Incense Cedar (*Calocedrus decurrens*) 75' height
- Hinoki Cypress (*Chamaecyparis obtuse*) 20' height
- Modock Cypress (*Cupressus bakerii*) 30' height
- Korean Fir (*Abies koreana*) 30' height
- Pacific Yew (*Taxus brevifolia*) 30' height
- Mountain Hemlock (*Tsuga mertensiana*) 50' height

This tree selection was taken from a list of recommended trees for this project from the Washington Park Arboretum, University of Washington and the Horticulture division of the Seattle Parks Dept.

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School sites with trees planted will be added as the list is completely updated.