It's Not Too Late to Sign Up!

October Farmer Education Workshop:

**Tomato Grafting**  
**Monday, October 27, 3:00-5:00 PM**  
**Reems Creek Valley Nursery**

with Tom Elmore, Thatchmore Farms, and Jeanine Davis & Susan Colucci, NC Cooperative Extension

Grafting tomatoes and other vegetables with resistant rootstock provides disease management and may increase yields. Learn from a local farmer and regional extension specialists, the techniques that they use, get some hands-on practice, and discuss production strategies. Growers currently using grafting in the production of vegetables report more vigorous plants, larger fruits, and higher yields. Benefits appear to be greatest for growers with soil systems as opposed to synthetic media, organic practices, and soils used repeatedly to grow one crop in greenhouses or high tunnels.

$20 per person, educational materials provided.

To register, contact Meredith Leigh McKissick at 828 450 2026 or meredith@organicgrowersschool.org

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