## Cornell Cooperative Extension Cornell Garden-Based Learning



## **Diagnosing Plant Problems Scenarios**

The **CCE MGV Learning Library** has the Activity Directions document as well as scenarios. You may wish to use your own scenarios these are provided as a place to start.

**Scenario 1:** A well-informed community member with a lot of information about the issue. The issue is Hollyhock Rust, more information can be found at: <a href="http://plantclinic.cornell.edu/factsheets/hollyhockrust.pdf">http://plantclinic.cornell.edu/factsheets/hollyhockrust.pdf</a>

**Scenario 2:** Not enough information is provided by the community member.

**Scenario 3:** A commercial agriculture focus.

Pass along to appropriate commercial horticulture expert at your local CCE. The grower is dealing with Corn Smut, <a href="http://plantclinic.cornell.edu/factsheets/cornsmut.pdf">http://plantclinic.cornell.edu/factsheets/cornsmut.pdf</a>.

**Scenario 4:** A suspected regulatory issue.

Oak Wilt; report promptly to DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation).

**Scenario 5:** Someone who insists it is something that it isn't. The person insists it is early blight but it is likely frost injury.



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