



Be a
Morrow County Green Crusader

Youth Camp – August 24-28, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for your interest in the first “*Be a Morrow County Green Crusader*” environmental focused youth camp. Camp will be conducted August 24-27, 2020 as a virtual camp with an optional one-day in person experience to be held on August 28, 2020. Follow-up information will be sent out and all work should be completed by Monday, August 31, 2020. Morrow County Environmental Educators (MEEC) are all very excited about co-hosting this camp and hope you and your family are excited as well. Here are a few details you will need to know:

The overall goal of the “*Be a Morrow County Green Crusader*” camp is to introduce young people to the importance of exploring the great outdoors, conservation and sustainability through environmental themed activities. Each day local environmental educators will be leading discussion and experiments for campers to engage in. A hands-on activity will be assigned to the campers to complete each evening recapping the day’s topics/lessons. The target age group for this camp is youth that are currently in Grades 2-6, however slightly younger or older youth may participate.

Camp supplies and workbook will be made available for pick-up prior to Camp Week and can be picked up on August 20 or 21 at the Morrow County Recycling Office, located at 80 North Walnut Street, Suite C (lower level) 8AM – 5PM.

As mentioned above, Camp will be conducted mostly virtual with an optional one-day in person experience. The camp will start at 9AM each day Monday – Friday and will conclude around 11AM each day. For the virtual portion of the camp, we will be utilizing ZOOM. Only registered participants will have the link to join and receive the link to review the recorded sessions. We are asking that you provide consent to have the sessions recorded. This will allow campers who need extra adult assistance to have the opportunity to participate fully.

On Friday, August 28 an optional one-day in person experience will be offered at Headwaters Outdoor Education Center located at 151 Home Road, Mount Gilead, Ohio 43338. For those who choose to participate in this portion of the camp, parents/campers should plan to arrive approximately 5 minutes prior to their reserved appointment time and plan to leave the facility no later than 15 minutes after the last scheduled appointment has completed. Safety for campers and staff will be our number one concern. Extra safety precautions will be incorporated into this one-day experience and we will be following the recommended outlined precautions set by the Governor for COVID-19. Please note masks will be strongly encouraged to participate in this one-day hand on experience.

To register simply complete the enclosed/attached registration form and email it to morrowmeec@gmail.com or drop a completed hard-copy off to Morrow County Recycling/Keep Morrow County Beautiful located at 80 North Walnut Street, Suite C, Mount Gilead, Ohio. A conformation email will be sent to confirm your camper’s registration. Please keep in mind that space is limited for the one-day, hands-on experience to be held on Friday, August 28. Please indicate your participation interest on the registration form.

The camp is expected to be very popular, so parents should be aware that their registration is a commitment to participate and full participation in the camp is expected in order for the participant to receive the “*I am a Morrow County Green Crusader*” T-shirt. If you miss a live session, please do not stress! Simply have your camper review the recorded session they missed and submit a photo of them completing the activity to our email for completion credit. Camp facilitators are here to assist in helping campers learn about the natural environment and how we can all collaboratively work together to Keep Morrow County Beautiful.

Please feel free to email us with additional questions or concerns or contact Lindsey Grimm, at 419-946-6400. The environmental educators that collaboratively represent MEEC are very excited to offer this week long environmental learning experience and we look forward to receiving your registration.

Sincerely,
Morrow County Environmental Education Committee
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