

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District

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Annual Tree Seedling Sale Benefits Clear Fork FFA

Mansfield, OH — Did you know trees help improve water quality in streams, rivers, and lakes by reducing flooding and minimizing chemical/sediment runoff? The tree's canopy acts as a large umbrella capturing rainwater as it falls, which reduces the speed and amount that reaches the ground and becomes stormwater runoff. A tree's root system takes up various pollutants and reduces the effects of erosion.

You can help Clear Fork FFA while helping to manage stormwater and prevent soil erosion at the Clear Fork FFA Alumni Tree Seedling Sale held in partnership with Richland Soil and Water Conservation District. Purchase seedlings April 9 & 10, 2021, at multiple locations. The sale proceeds benefit Clear Fork FFA programs.

Richland County Fairgrounds Nature Park: Friday, April 9, from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 10 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon or all seedlings are sold

Clear Fork High School back parking lot, Friday, April 9 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Planktown Market near Shiloh (at inside door), Friday, April 9 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

The tree seedlings cost \$10.00 per bundle of 8. Sales are available on a first come, first serve basis with cash or checks only being accepted. For orders larger than 30 bundles, please call Clear Fork High School at 419-886-2601 or Jim from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. daily at 419-564-3881 by March 14. If you wish to purchase left-over seedlings, call Jim at 419-564-3881.

Tree species include: Norway Spruce, White Pine, Balsam Fir, Dawn Redwood, White Cedar, Sugar Maple, Persimmon, Tulip Tree, Red Oak, Black Walnut, Scarlet Oak, Black Cherry, Red Mulberry; Ohio Buckeye, Common Paw Paw, and Flowering Packs. Bluebird Houses will also be available for \$10.00.

An order form and information regarding the sale may be found at <u>https://richlandswcd.net/tree-seedling-sale</u> or <u>http://clearforkffa.theaet.com</u>.

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