

**DARKE SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

March 19, 2019

WTGR Community Ties

Topics (3):

Annual Tree Seedling Sale – Orders due this week! (by March 22nd)

- This is the last week to order trees!
- Limited supply of Arborvitae remain - will be larger this year than in years past (ordered older seedlings)
- Every order will receive a free Highbush Cranberry seedling courtesy of Darke Co Pheasants Forever
- Larger Norway & Colorado Blue available again this year
- Order online or by mail – check or cash payments online, no credit card or online payment available

Conservation Day Camp – June 12 & 13 @ Chenoweth Trails

- 2 day camp for kids entering grades 2 through 5
- Registration is \$20 per camper, space limited to first 150 kids
- Many great partners coming together to pull off this like The Darke County Foundation and The Light Foundation
- Each participant in camp will receive a fishing rod courtesy of ODNR, DOW and Wildlife & Sport Fish Restoration Program
 - o Other topics covered will be archery, tree ID, crafts and much more
- We are also looking for camp counselors to help lead groups of kids and assist at stations, seeking High School and College age students. Great opportunity to put on your resume!
- Registrations are available online and in the office

Spring Soil Sampling – samples due by April 15th

- Annual spring soil sample collection, a partnership with the City of Greenville
- Test your lawn or garden for the 2019 season
- Only use what nutrients are needed, help keep our Stormwater clean
- Pull 15-20 cores about 8” deep
 - o Zig zag pattern across the area, good representation
- Allow soil cores to dry before putting in the bag (lots of moisture in our soil now)
- Cost is \$15, takes about 1 week for results

Quick Announcement/Teaser for upcoming event:

Canoe Float – June 7th

- Firming up details now, just mark your calendars!