

Smiley Park

Children's Garden

“through the eyes of a child”



Outdoor Educational Programs at the Children's Garden- Summer 2022

Together with Van Wert Parks and Recreation, the Van Wert County Master Gardener Volunteers will present 6 educational programs for children this summer! The programs will run from 10:00am to 11:00am and are intended for children ages 3-8 accompanied by a caring adult.

This year, you must call the OSU Van Wert County Extension Office at 419.238.1214 to register your child for each program. Space will be very limited and only registered children will be able to participate.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

May 26- Planting the Vegetable Garden- Let's plant the Healthy Me Garden! Children will learn about seeds and seedlings, listen to a story about growing food, and take home their very own miniature vegetable garden.

June 2- Create a Bee Hotel- Children will help build a safe place for solitary bees to rest and nest. Children will make and take home perfect and read a story about bees.

June 23- Plants that Attract Butterflies- Butterflies want more than just flowers! Learn about plants and caterpillars like to eat and how we can attract them to our garden. Children can take home a plant to start their own butterfly garden.

July 14- Garden Scavenger Hunt!- Children and their helpful adult will follow clues to discover all the parts of the garden.

July 21- Insects with Curtis- Van Wert County's own entomologist, Dr. Curtis Young will help children discover the wonders of nature- with insects! This program will be held at the Van Wert County Extension Office at the fair grounds.

August 11- Art in the Garden- Children will work together to create a giant floral sidewalk mural with chalk.



Questions?
Please call Rachel
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