

2018 CSA Info

The CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) is a 10 week program, starting as soon as we have a harvest, which will vary slightly every year based on the weather. With your membership you will be helping to support our farm, by giving us money upfront that will help with the inputs for the farm when we need them in the beginning of the season, and in return you will receive a basket of fresh, high quality vegetables every week for the 10 week period. If the season runs longer than 10 weeks, you will have the option to continue buying the baskets at the end of the season on a weekly basis. Another advantage to your membership is if there is a shortage of a certain crop, you will get it before we put it at the stand for sale. One other important factor to consider is that you will be sharing in the risk, as we will be. So if there is a crop loss of a particular crop, you will receive a different item that will make up for what was lost. The other shared risk is that if there are devastating weather events, we won't be able to offer a refund. The consensus among CSA participants is that the quality and convenience far outweighs the risk. We offer a small (peck) basket, which is roughly 10lbs for \$15/week, and a large (1/2 bushel) basket which is roughly 20lbs for \$30/week. We feel the small basket would be enough to supply 1-2 people for the week, and a large basket would supply a family of 4 for the week. We realize that some items, such as sweet corn and melons, due to their weight, would take up most of the box, but we will make sure that you are getting your money's worth every week. The availability of certain items can't be guaranteed from week to week, but if there is a shortage of one item, it will be made up for with something else. With our CSA we offer you the option to opt out of certain vegetables. When doing research on CSA's a lot of people liked getting new vegetables that they had never tried before, but at the same time, if it was something they didn't like, they didn't have the option to not receive it in their baskets. If there is a vegetable that you do not like, or have an allergy to, please let us know, and we will substitute it with something else. Along with being able to request specific items, if you want a larger quantity of one thing, say you want to can/freeze beans, we can fill your basket with only beans that week, you just have to give us a little notice to make sure we have the specific item on hand. Please refer to the list of what we will be growing in the 2018 season. If you would like to sign up for this year's CSA, please fill out the form below. The first half of your payment will need to be made by March 1, 2018, and the second half by May 1 2018. If you would like to sign up, but for some reason you can't make the payments by the due dates, please contact us and we will work out a different payment plan. Checks can be made payable to:

Birney's Miracle Farm Market
4257 Watkins Rd SW
Pataskala, Oh 43062

Please print the application and the item selection list and fill them both out and mail them along with your check to the above address. We will send out an email to all the members updating you on the progress as the season approaches, and letting you know approximately when you should receive your first basket. At this time we are planning on having pick up available on Wednesday, Fridays and Saturdays at the farm, and Friday evening pick up at the Newark Canal District Farmers market. If for some reason you can't pick up your baskets on one of those days, please let us know and we will make other arrangements. If you will be out of town one week, let us know and we will add a week onto the end of the season for you. Thank you again for your interest in our CSA. We hope that you will sign up and partner with us in making 2018 our best season ever! If you have any questions please feel free to message us, or call 740-927-7750 and ask for Eric or Caren Conkey.

Eric and Caren Conkey Birney's Miracle Farm Market

Birney's Miracle Farm 2018 CSA

Name _____

Phone number _____

Email _____

Box Size (please indicate how many boxes you want per week)

_____ Small (1-2 people) \$150 for 10 weeks

_____ Large (3-4 people) \$300 for 10 weeks

Vegetable allergies _____

Please make checks payable to:
Birney's Miracle Farm

Please mail this form, your first half payment, along with your completed vegetable list by March 1, to:

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Thank you!
Caren and Eric Conkey

This is a list of what we will be growing this year. Because the list is so long, please only mark the items that you DO NOT wish to receive.

Hot/Mild Peppers

- Orange Habanero
- Thai Chili
- Cayenne
- Hot Wax Banana
- Jalapeno
- No Heat Jalapeno

Sweet Peppers

- Red Bell (Only available late in season.)
- Yellow Bell (Only available late in season.)
- Green Bell
- Sweet Banana

Tomatoes

- Red tomatoes
- Yellow tomatoes
- Sauce and paste varieties
- Red & Yellow Cherry Tomatoes
- Green Tomatoes

Eggplant

- Large oval shaped
- White
- Long Japanese

Cabbage and Other Cole Crops

- Round Cabbage
- Flat Head Cabbage
- Red Cabbage
- Broccoli

Melons

- Red Watermelon
- Yellow Watermelon
- Muskmelon

Squash

- Zucchini Squash (Traditional and Middle Eastern Types)
- Yellow Squash
- Acorn Squash
- Butternut Squash
- Buttercup Squash
- Spaghetti Squash
- Pie Pumpkins

Cucumbers

- Slicing Cucumbers
- Burpless Cucumbers
- Pickling Cucumbers

Sweet corn (Non GMO and Pesticide Free)

- Yellow Varieties
- Bi-Color Varieties
 - *we grow Silver King, a white variety, but because it is planted by the yellow, it always turns into a bi-color.

Beans

- Blue Lake Bush Bean
- Roma Flat Italian Bean
- Half Runner String Bean