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## Miami East-MVCTC FFA Donates Trees to Fourth Graders

The Miami East-MVCTC FFA Chapter recently donated trees to every fourth grader in the Miami East Local School District. This was a special project of the Public Relations and Citizenship Committees of the FFA.

In an effort to help repopulate Ohio with trees, each student was given one pine tree in the hopes that they would plant it. FFA members realize that farmers and ranchers provide food and habitat for 75 percent of the nation's wildlife. Not only will the trees provide cover for wildlife in the area, they will also produce quality oxygen.

All students were challenged to plant their tree in celebration of Earthy Day. Earth Day is an annual event, celebrated on April 22, on which events are held worldwide to demonstrate support for environmental protection. It was first celebrated in 1970, and is now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network and celebrated in more than 192 countries each year.

Participating in this project were Grant Hodge, Cody Reid, Olivia Edgell, Rebekah Eidemiller, Colin Hawes, Blane Wagner, Kolin Bendickson, and Colin Gump. The trees were a project with the Miami County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Photo caption (10) Senior Colin Hawes distributed trees to fourth grader at Miami East Elementary.

Photo caption (12) Senior Kolin Bendickson distributes trees to fourth graders.