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## Small Farm Management College

This 10-hour small farm management college is designed to help landowners examine potential ways to increase profits from their small acreage properties. The program is open to all new or aspiring farmers, new rural landowners, small farmers, and farm families looking for new ideas.

During this college, participants will be challenged to develop realistic expectations for their new farm business. They will receive information about getting started, identifying the strengths and weaknesses of their property, and developing a farm business plan.

## Registration Links

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# Southwestern Ohio Small Farm Management College

## Location

Wilmington College  
Wilmington OH



Dates: February 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2025

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Cost: \$80 for the first family member. Each additional family member is \$40 per person. Each family receives only one binder of resources. Participants are expected to attend every session.

Registration: Pre-registration is required. Registration deadline is January 31, 2025.

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## Small Farm Management College Syllabus



### **Session I: February 5, 2025** **Getting Started on Your New Farm Business**

- Developing real-life expectations for your farm.
- Assessing your property and resources.
- Developing your family and farm mission, goals, and objectives.
- Managing farm and family income and expenses.
- What is a farm business plan and why do you need one?

### **Session II: February 12, 2025** **You Can't Measure What You Don't Track. (Farm Recordkeeping, Budgets and Taxes.)**

- Recordkeeping for farm businesses.
- Using enterprise budgets to project farm income and cost of production.
- Introduction to farm taxes.

### **Session III: February 19, 2025** **The Legal Side of Small Farm Management**

- Legal structures for farms.
- Farm leases and contracts.
- Licenses and permits for selling farm food products.
- Liability concerns for farms.

### **Session IV: February 26, 2025** **Money, money, money! The Financial Side of Small Farm Management**

- Developing farm and family balance sheets.
- Developing financial statements for your farm.
- Farm financing options.
- Developing your farm business plan.



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