## **COLD SPRINGS RESERVE**

In 1983, 3 acres of land north of Rona Hills was deeded to the City of Fairborn. Then in 2002-2003 the City of Fairborn acquired an additional 38.68 acres of trees and prairie that became what is now known as Cold Springs Reserve.

Before Black Lane Elementary became the Fairborn Digital Academy, Cold Springs Reserve was used as a Land Lab for the Elementary to educate students in environmental sciences. All the trees and vegetation were planted in Cold Springs Reserve for the Land Lab.

The Cold Springs Reserve portion of the Buckeye Trail - a statewide walking trail totaling 1444 miles - is part of the Caesar Creek trail connecting Hebble Creek Reserve to Rona Parkway. The entire Caesar Creek Trail is a total of 55.1 miles from the Little Miami Scenic State Park trail to the Wright Brothers' Memorial Bikeway to Troy. The Buckeye Trail is maintained and operated by volunteers who refer to themselves as the Blue Blazes.

Cold Springs Reserve is not a natural reserve. Many different species of trees and vegetation

were planted to create the reserve. Some of the planted species are "Butterfly Weed," "Columbine," and "June Grass."

## COLD SPRINGS RESERVE MAP

Cold Springs Reserve is located in Fairborn at 760 Black Lane. There are 38.68 acres full of trails to explore!

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