

NEWS RELEASE – PHOTO OP

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Students Get Their Feet Wet Investigating Water Quality

What: **Photo opportunity:** Students from Lakota Junior High in Fostoria will be taking samples from Sugar Creek. Bridge on the property provides nice vantage point for photos.

When: Friday, April 18, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Where: Property of Justine Magsig, 4950 CR 93, Sandusky County (Magsig phone: 419.862.3386)

On Friday, April 18 at 11:30 a.m., students from Lakota Junior High will be doing field work on a tributary of the Portage just south of Elmore. The students and their teacher are part of the Portage River Student Congress, a project of the Portage River Basin Council at the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG). On hand to mentor and advise will be Elaine Moebius, Portage River Watershed Coordinator, and Justin Magsig, member of the Portage River Basin Council.

Students will wade into Sugar Creek to take water samples, measure for dissolved oxygen, pH, turbidity, and search for macroinvertebrates. Back in the classroom, students will chart their findings and create a presentation for the **May 8 Student Summit** which will be held at Bowling Green State University.

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Directions:

From the north, take 51 (Woodville Rd.) south to Elmore. Turn right on Rice St. (CR 18). Outside of town the road becomes Portage River South. Take left at Schutt Rd. At the Y intersection, take the right on Sugar Creek Rd. (CR 9). Look for mailbox 4950 CR 93. For more information, contact Elaine Moebius at 419.241.9155 ext. 139.