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GCPH Announces 2024 Food Protection Training Class Schedule

XENIA, OH—The Food Protection program through Environmental Health Services at Greene County Public Health is offering Food Protection Training classes throughout the year. These classes are designed to promote proper food handling procedures to prevent foodborne illness.

The Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code requires that all food facilities have a person-in-charge (PIC) working at all times. To be a PIC, an employee should understand food safety procedures that relate to the operation. The **PIC Course** will teach food safety principles necessary to be a PIC. The following link is available for an ODH-approved online PIC course: <https://www.statefoodsafety.com/food-handler/ohio-level-one-certification>. You may also schedule GCPH to teach the PIC class in-person at your facility for \$250.00.

The **ServSafe® Manager Certification Course** is a 2-day course detailing the study of food safety procedures and prevention of foodborne illnesses. Upon successful completion, participants in this course will receive national, state, and local recognition as certified in food safety. This course requirement applies to all managers of Risk Level III and IV Food Service Operations (FSOs) and Retail Food Establishments (RFEs). At least one employee that “has supervisory and management responsibility and the authority to direct and control food preparation and service,” must obtain the ServSafe® Manager Certification in Food Protection course.

The **ServSafe® Manager Certification Course** will be held at the offices of Greene County Public Health, 360 Wilson Drive in Xenia. The cost is \$150.00 per person. ***You must register in advance of the class to guarantee your seat.*** The cost for a retest or proctored exam is \$75.00 per person.

Class dates for 2024 have been set. Remember, these are two-day classes so plan accordingly. The exam is given on the second day and retests are also offered on Day 2. The 2024 schedule is as follows:

- April 15 & 22
- June 5 & 12
- August 14 & 21
- October 14 & 21

Registration is open now. For more information, please call Jake Moon at 937-374-5607.

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