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### Introduction to Mindful Wellness



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### Today:

- Learn basic principles of mindfulness
- Recognize how mindfulness practice can be part of a holistic, healthy lifestyle
- Gain a list of resources related to mindfulness for personal and professional use
- Participate in a group practice of short mindfulness exercise
- Determine how mindfulness can be used in your daily life



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# What is Mindfulness?



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## Mindfulness...

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Paying attention in a particular way on purpose in the present moment without judgement

Jon Kabat-Zinn

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- Operating on auto pilot
- Religion
- Wasting time
- Making things "perfect"



# "Mindfulness means paying attention in a particular way: on purpose, in the present moment, and nonjudgmentally."

~Jon Kabat-Zinn



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### **Mindfulness Basic Concepts**



- Breath
- Body sensation
- Thoughts
- Emotions



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### Mind and Body Benefits of Mindfulness

Mindfulness increases and supports:	Mindfulness decreases:
Positive emotions Emotion regulation Relaxation Empathy and understanding for others Self-compassion Self-esteem Positive relationships Positive parenting Ability to focus and attend Immune response Cognitive flexibility	Anxiety Depression Anger and hostility Symptoms of post-traumatic stress Physical and emotional pain Emotional reactivity Addictive behaviors Insomnia Negative effects of stress Use of and need for pain medications
Memory	

This list can be found at http://mayoclinichealthsystem.org/hometown-health/speaking-of-health/mindfulness-and-our-mental-health



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# Mindful Wellness Curriculum

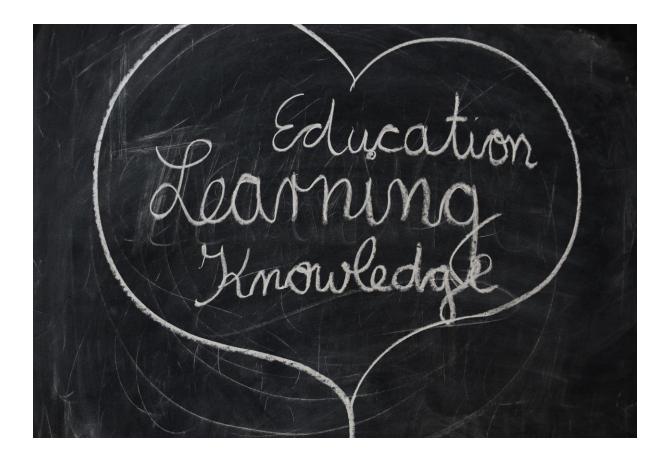
Designed to equip healthy adults with practice and skills to strengthen the mind and body connection and promote holistic health and wellness across the lifespan.



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# Mindful Wellness Format





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# **Flexibility of Lessons**



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### Mindful Wellness

Ever feel stress? Along with topics like healthy eating and exercise, mindfulness is gaining recognition as part of a healthy lifestyle in the United States. Look at the science behind mindfulness as well as the health benefits of stress reduction.

Series of 4 classes at Bittersweet Farms

Dates: Mondays, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> and Thursday November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Time: 3:00 – 4:00pm

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### Mindful Wellness Training Tuesday March 6, 2018 4-H Center, Columbus OH

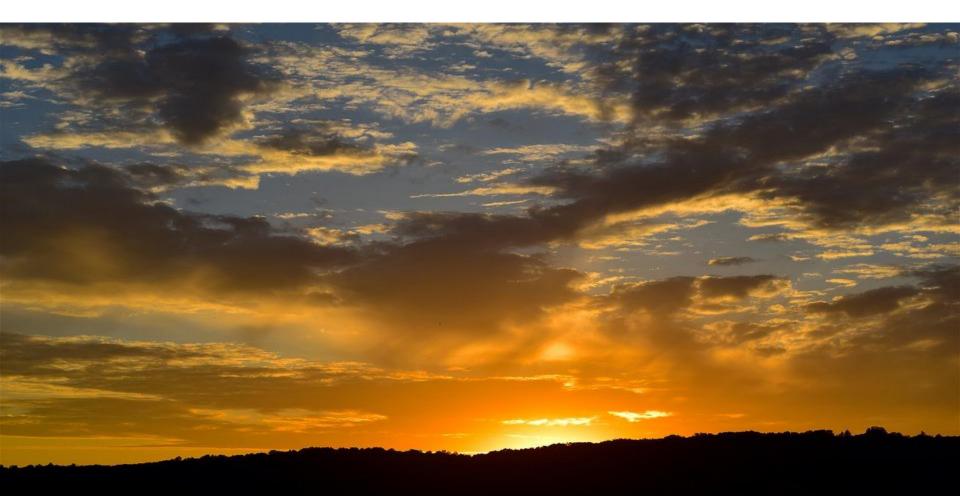
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# **Mindfulness Practice**





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# Focused Attention Practice Repetition

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