At Black Swamp Bird Observatory, we are committed to connecting young people to the joyfulness of birds and the value of habitat conservation. Our strong focus on youth education is highlighted by our Wetland Investigation Network (WIN) program, which offers students grades K-12 a day-long exploration of the entire marsh ecosystem. Our highly acclaimed Ohio Young Birders Club for ages 12-18 encourages, educates, and empowers our youth conservation leaders. The OYBC also serves as a model program for many other state-wide youth birding clubs.

We need your support to educate, encourage, and empower young people!

BSBO’s Annual Spring Youth Education Fundraiser IS BACK!

Student presenters at BSBO’s 12th annual Ohio Young Birders Conference!

Just look at the faces of students during the dynamic education programs held at the Observatory. Thanks to your support, BSBO provides programming for K-12 and college classes at no cost to schools.
Each year in May, Tom Bartlett conducts a BIG SIT fundraiser to support BSBO’s education programs.

Last year’s Big Sit Fundraiser was canceled due to Covid. But this year, it’s BACK and we need your help!

Here’s how it works.

On Saturday, May 8, World Migratory Bird Day, Tom will spend 12 hours (5 a.m. to 5 p.m.) tallying the birds that he sees and hears at the Magee Marsh Wildlife Area. You make a Big Sit donation or a pledge per bird species that Tom tallies that day. BSBO turns that support into ACTION, educating thousands of students every year!

This year we’ve set an ambitious goal of raising $25,000 and we can’t do it without you!

Your BIG SIT support allows Black Swamp Bird Observatory to continue our dynamic education programs at NO COST to schools. We hope to resume our onsite programs this fall, and your support can help make that happen.

Fill out the form below and return by April 30 in the envelope provided, or visit www.bsbo.org to make your donation online through our secure website.

Together we will build a brighter future for birds AND birders!

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Thank you for supporting BSBO’s education programs!