

# Dairy Labor Management Mini-Series

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Dairy farm labor is one of the major costs of production and farm labor is regularly described as an area of concern by dairy farmers. Therefore, Ohio State University is providing this program to assist dairy farm owners and managers with labor management on farms.

**Why should you attend?** This program will provide opportunities for you to examine your labor costs, define your labor needs, examine your hiring process, promote relationships among farm workers, increase retention, and identify ways to promote employee well-being.

## Registration Details

- Program is limited to 30 individuals. Registration deadline is Thursday, December 31.
- The program cost is \$75 per person or per farm (limit 2 people per farm).
- Click [HERE](#) to register for the program.



## Structure of Mini-Series

This is a 5-week program held weekly on Tuesdays from 12:30 to 2:00 pm in January and February, 2021. The meetings will be held via ZOOM each week, so you don't even have to travel to participate in some very important topics by experts in the dairy and associated industries. Weekly assignments will be made and interactive discussion will be important for the success of the program. All attendees will be registered with ScarletCanvas, an online platform by The Ohio State University. Materials relative to each topic will be posted there for use by the attendees. Certificates will be provided to participants completing this program.

## Dates of Programs

- **January 12, 2021**
  - Labor Management Benchmarks, *Maurice Eastridge*
  - So You Need to Hire Someone – Developing the job description, *Chris Zoller*
- **January 19, 2021**
  - Recruiting Employees, *Stan Moore, Michigan State University*
  - Immigrant Labor, *Margaret Jodlowski, Dept. Agricultural, Environmental, and Developmental Economics (AEDE), The Ohio State University*
- **January 26, 2021**
  - Conducting an Interview, *Bernie Erven, Professor Emeritus, AEDE, The Ohio State University*
  - You're Hired, now what? Building Success from Day One, *Melissa O'Rourke, Iowa State University*
- **February 2, 2021**
  - Building Long-Term Relationships and Team Meetings, *Richard Stup, Cornell University*
  - Conflict Management, *Kristy Pagel, GPS Dairy Consulting LLC*
- **February 9, 2021**
  - Labor Laws, *Peggy Hall, Ag Law Specialist, Ohio State University Extension*
  - Farm Safety, *Dee Jepsen, Ag Safety Specialist, Dept. Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering, The Ohio State University*



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