WE THE PEOPLE OF OHIO

CASTING CALL

Young Voices. Shared Values. Ohio's Future.

Application deadline: Sunday, November 1, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern

Filming: Saturday, November 7, 2026

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What kind of Ohio do we want to build for the next generation?

We think young people should help us imagine the answer!

We're looking for children and youth ages **5–18** to appear in a series of short videos for ***We the People of Ohio***, a statewide campaign inviting Ohioans to recognize the values we share and imagine what we could accomplish together.

The campaign is coordinated by **We Are Many, We Are One (WAMWAO)**, a coalition of nonprofit and interfaith organizations working together to strengthen our communities.

Our goal is simple: to start conversations across Ohio about the future we want for our families, our neighbors, and our communities—and what we can build when we work together.

Everyone is welcome to audition!

We're seeking a diverse group of young people ages 5–18 who reflect the many communities, experiences, and perspectives that make up Ohio. (Younger children will be considered on a case-by-case basis.)

We welcome children and youth of **all races, ethnicities, genders, abilities, and backgrounds**.

No acting experience is necessary! We're looking for a variety of voices, personalities, and styles. Enthusiasm, authenticity, and a willingness to participate matter more than professional experience.

What will participants do?

Selected participants will deliver brief, scripted, age-appropriate lines expressing shared hopes for Ohio's future.

For example:

- "We the people of Ohio believe every child should receive a good education."
- "We the people of Ohio believe everyone should be able to see a doctor without going into debt."
- "We the people of Ohio believe no one should go to bed hungry."

Filming will involve simple scenes with costumes, props, and professional video production. All necessary costumes and props will be provided. Personal costumes will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Filming details

Date: Saturday, November 7, 2026
Location: Near west side—location will be communicated to selected participants.
Time: Specific arrival times and filming schedules will be communicated to selected participants.

Compensation: This is a volunteer opportunity. Participants will not receive financial compensation. Food and beverages will be provided, and families will receive copies of the finished videos.

A parent or legal guardian will be required to sign a release and **must remain onsite** throughout their child's participation.

How to audition

Application deadline: Sunday, November 1, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern

A parent or guardian should submit an application for each interested child, including a short audition video.

For the audition video:

Have your child say at least **three** of the following lines (using props/costumes in the audition videos is encouraged but not required—*have fun with it!*):

1. "We the people of Ohio believe every child should receive a good education."
2. "We the people of Ohio believe everyone should be able to see a doctor without going into debt."
3. "We the people of Ohio believe no one should go to bed hungry."
4. "We the people of Ohio believe a lot of the same things."
5. "Imagine what we could build if we worked together. Join us."

A few things to know:

- A simple recording on a phone is perfect. No professional equipment or video editing is necessary.
- Please don't worry about perfect delivery! We want to see each child's natural personality and communication style.
- Younger children may receive help from an adult during the audition.

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Please submit a separate application for each child.

For parents and guardians

About the campaign: *We the People of Ohio* is a community-centered civic awareness campaign. The videos will encourage conversations about shared values and hopes for Ohio's future. They are not intended to endorse political candidates or political parties.

Where the videos will appear: The finished videos will be distributed publicly through social media, such as Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, beginning in late 2026 and continuing into 2027. They may also be shared through partner organizations, news coverage, websites, and other advertising channels, potentially including television or streaming services.

Parent/guardian permission: Before filming, parents or legal guardians of selected participants will receive additional details and will be required to review and sign consent and media release forms authorizing the use of their child's image, voice, and recorded performance.

Privacy: Application information and audition videos will be used to evaluate participants and communicate with families about the project. Submissions will be accessible only to the authorized casting and production team and will not be published as part of the campaign without appropriate parental or guardian permission.

Accessibility: We want this opportunity to be accessible to everyone. If your child needs accommodation, please contact us. We will do our best to work with families to identify a way to participate.

Casting decisions: Selected families will be contacted after the application deadline with additional information about filming schedules, location, and preparation. We plan to communicate with selected participants as soon as possible but not later than Wednesday, November 4 at 4:00 p.m. ET.

Questions?

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Join the conversation.