Fishing Made Possible by the Kincaid State Fish Hatchery:

- Muskie “advanced” fingerlings - up to 12" - are produced to stock select reservoirs statewide each fall for future fishing opportunities.
- Rainbow Trout “catchables” are produced to stock public water areas in central and southern Ohio for spring fishing opportunities.
- Hybrid Striped Bass are grown from fry to fingerling size and stocked in public water areas of southwestern Ohio and the Ohio River.

Hatchery Origin: Built in 1935 by the Ohio Division of Conservation, predecessor of the ODNR- Division of Wildlife

Renovation: Most recently renovated in 2011 for a new production building, new catch basin, and pond renovations.

Water Source: Kincaid Spring, and the associated spring house, provide water for the hatchery production buildings and ponds.

Fish Production Space: 16 indoor raceways, 2 production buildings and 15 ponds.

Staff: 3 Full-time and 1 Seasonal personnel

Fish Production and Stocking in Calendar Year 2020:
- Rainbow Trout: 14,680 catchables
- Hybrid Striped Bass: 78,626 fingerlings
- Muskellunge: 6,035 advanced fingerlings

Other Activities:
- Tours: Self-guided tours are permitted Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM, except Holidays. Guided tours are available by appointment; however, these have been eliminated or severely limited by COVID-19 restrictions.
- Kincaid SFH also raises forage fish (fathead minnows) to feed muskie raised in our hatcheries and has recently assisted with bluegill production.
- Pike State Forest is adjacent to the Kincaid hatchery.

Ohio Division of Wildlife Fish Hatcheries:
The Division operates six fish hatcheries that produce more than 40 million fish each year. Many Ohio fishing opportunities would not be available without fish production, stocking, management, and research. Funding is provided by the sales of Ohio fishing licenses and the Sport Fish Restoration Act, a federal aid program supported through excise taxes on select fishing tackle and marine fuel.