

COMMUNITY QUEST

• NEWARK •

Be sure to follow all social distancing policies while completing this activity

Market Basket

Dave Longaberger had this seven-story Medium Market Basket building built to house the corporate offices. Find the Big Basket and strike a fun pose with the basket as your backdrop. (Please be sure to take your pictures from the south side instead of on State Route 16).

Oversized Adirondack

This business was started in 1958 as a family-run farm market. Today, the garden center provides central Ohio with a large variety of plants and flowers. Find the big chair and take a picture of your group.

Ride the Rails!

All wheels are welcome at the new skate park. Bring your skateboard, skates, BMX, scooters or wheelchair and try out the ramps, rails and pipes. Take a photo while enjoying something at this park and share a favorite outdoor activity.

Lady Justice

Eleven identical Lady Justices guard the doors of this historic building. A clock tower overlooks the town from above. Take a picture of your group with one of the Lady Justices.

Crossing Paths

Find the two ladies who have crossed paths and are now deep in conversation. What do you think they are talking about today? Take a picture of some of your group joining in on the conversation.

Is it Showtime?

Famous author Mark Twain sits in front of this theater waiting for the next big show to begin. Take a photo with him or with the historic theater.

Generation Gap

The old and the young come together in front of the Licking County Administrative Building. Take a picture with your youngest and oldest members joining in the moment.

Random Act of Kindness

Take a moment during your day to do some sort of random act of kindness for a stranger. Offer them a cup of coffee, listen to their story, help them carry a bag, hold a door for them, make them smile by being silly or just tell them to "Have a nice day!" If it is okay, take your picture with them — be sure to ask first.

Lock #9

Find the lockmaster's house adjacent to the restored Lock #9. Pretend to be waiting on the canal boat pictured in the mural of the canal. Be sure to take a picture of you waiting for the boat to go through the lock.

Not Amelia Earhart

Newark's own Jerrie was the first woman to successfully fly solo around the world. She did what Amelia Earhart died trying to accomplish. Discover her statue at the local science center. Take a picture posing with this tribute to an amazing woman. If the courtyard is closed, take a picture with the Howard LeFevre statue.

Farmers Market

On Tuesdays and Fridays from May through September, you can find farmers and other local vendors selling vegetables, flowers, crafts, and more at this historical area in downtown. Take a picture pretending to be selling something to another group member.

Ghost Tours

Do you believe in the paranormal? This historic landmark offers ghost tours to explore the paranormal activity that is believed to go on within the cells. You can even visit the haunted facility during Halloween — if you have the nerve!

Skating on the Canal

Another mural shows children skating on the canal that used to run through the city. Take a picture of the children in your group pretending to skate there too.

Kicks Mix

Locate a bookstore in downtown Newark. If the store is open, strike a pose with one of your favorite books. If it isn't open, take a picture peeking through the window at the books or with the name of the store.

Alley Murals

The walls of several old downtown buildings have become beautiful murals of the city's past and present. Find the mural that depicts the storefronts of several businesses and take your picture peering in the window or trying one of the doors.

Best Time for Ice Cream – Always!

As you explore Newark, take your pick of the many ice cream options around the city. Stop for a treat or just a picture.

Welcome to Newark

This mural provides an excellent backdrop for you to take a group picture commemorating your day in Newark.

Arch of Books

This large arch of books leads the way to a building full of books available to all ages. Be sure to look up to see the child reading on top of the arch. Strike a pose under the arch and pretend that you are reading your favorite book.

Diamond H

An "H" within a diamond is the signature of the Heisey Glass Company. This once popular glass company can now be remembered by visiting the museum. Take a group picture with one of the trademark diamond H logos.

America's Youngest Civil War Soldier

History says that John Clem was only nine years old when he ran away to join the Union Army during the Civil War. Known as the "Drummer Boy of Shiloh," he remained in the military and rose to the rank of Brigadier General before he retired in 1915. His statue stands at the entrance to Veteran's Park and depicts him with his drum. Take a picture of one of your youngest group members playing their own imaginary drum alongside Johnny.

The Great Circle

The Hopewell Indians built the great circle as a ceremonial site. Although 1200 feet in circumference, it is mere inches from being a perfect circle. From 1854 to 1932, the site was used for the county fairgrounds and it even hosted the Ohio State Fair once. Explore the circle and take your picture at a favorite spot.

Get Rolling!

For more than 60 years, this is the place to go to lace up the skates and take to the hardwood. If you have time, feel free to go lace up some skates and take a picture as you glide around the rink. If not, pose like you are skating and have the sign with the big skate in the background.

Suspend It!

This park offers a bike park with ramps, trails and a pump track as well as a disc golf course. A suspension bridge over Raccoon Creek provides an excellent photo opportunity. Find the bridge and take a photo while standing in the middle of it.

Eight Sides and a Round of Golf

The Octagon Earthworks can be viewed from the special observation deck on the Mound Builders Country Club. The Newark Earthworks are part of the Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks being nominated as a World Heritage site. Take a picture from the observation deck with the Octagon in the background.

Titans Not Buckeyes

This branch campus was home to about 2,900 students in 2019. Talk a walk around the campus, check out the fitness trail in the back, then find a spot to take a group photo.

Circle of Friends

Take a picture as you join this circle of friends – a penguin, bear, kangaroo, elephant, giraffe, turtle and beaver. They celebrate near the Reese Center at OSU Newark.

