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Japanese restaurant opens on Ohio 4

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FAIRFIELD — A new restaurant features a wide array of culinary offerings from the land of the rising sun.

Kobe Japanese Cuisine recently opened at 6679 Dixie Highway between Boymel Drive and Seward Road.

What sets the 3,600-square-foot eatery apart from other similar restaurants is the availability of choices, according to employee Emily Lin. Guests can order dishes made from from beef, chicken or fish to shrimp, crab or eel.

“When you go to other places, they only do hibachi. They don’t have any sushi,” Lin said.

The restaurant’s location along busy Ohio 4 provides a highly visible location with favorable demographics, including a sizeable Asian community, she said.

The menu includes appetizers, soups, salads and stir-fried noodles. Entrees range from hibachi dinners, which are grilled, to combination platters allow guests to enjoy two of their favorite types of main course dishes.

Both are served with fried rice, zucchini, onion, mushroom, salad and miso soup.

Bento dinners, which consist of chicken, shrimp or steak served in a boxed-shaped container, come with soup, salad, spring roll, four pieces of California roll and fried rice.

Sushi and special rolls generally come with anywhere from six pieces to 12 pieces. Kid’s menu items cost between \$4.59 and \$5.99 and come with fried rice or french fries.

Lunch specials run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Brittany Zorn of Fairfield, who stopped by the restaurant for dinner on a recent weekday, said the restaurant offers numerous delicious options.

“I like that you can go up and get your salads and the Bento box is pretty good,” she said. “The sushi was really tasty and well done.”

Antoine Piphus of Blue Ash, who works in Butler County, said he likes Kobe Japanese Cuisine so much that he’s dined there five times in its first 13 days of business.

“I like the way they do flavors,” Piphus said. “They’ve got great food for a lower price” than Japanese restaurant chains.

His favorite menu item is the Dragon Roll, an \$8.99 dish that combines shrimp tempura, cucumber and eel topped with avocado.

"I love it," Piphus said. "Every time I get one I take it over next door (to Memories Sports Bar) and let everybody sample it and they love it, too."

The restaurant seats 100 people, including a party room that seats 24.

If You Go

What: Kobe Japanese Cuisine

Where: 6679 Dixie Highway, Fairfield

Hours: 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 9:30 p.m. Sunday.

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