

THE SUMMIT COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

PROUD SPONSOR OF THE SUMMIT COUNTY FAIR

Immediate Information Release June 10, 2020

The Summit County Agricultural Society of Ohio Board of Directors met Tuesday, June 9, to discuss and then vote on the 2020 Summit County Fair. Due to COVID19, planning has been on hold and has changed several times over the past few months. The board wanted to wait to have the most current information to make the best decision for our community. The Board of Directors voted to have a full but slightly modified 2020 Fair. The Fair in Summit County has been a tradition since 1850 when the first fair was held in downtown Akron. The 2020 fair dates will be Wednesday, July 29 through Sunday, August 2.

The Board of Directors will be submitting a detailed plan to the Summit County Health Department with the guidelines set forth in the Responsible Restart Ohio. Our plan will include food vendors, commercial vendors, two ground act shows with multiple daily shows and amusement rides. Grandstand events will include Motocross, Demolition Derby, Truck Pulls and Tractor Pull. In addition there will be grounds entertainment, all Junior Fair projects, judging and Market Auction, Horse Pulls, Antique Tractor Display and more.

To relieve que lines and to maintain social distancing all admission tickets will be available online and all grandstand tickets will be sold online this year and include fair admission. These guidelines will be released at the end of June, check our face book and website for announcements.

Due to the restrictions and to limit traffic for patrons, we will not be opening our Open Class Departments for 2020. This decision was not easy for our board, but we wanted the Jr. Fair youth to be able to participate in full capacity. We have many dedicated individuals that support and enter our open class department year after year and we cannot thank you enough for your dedication to our program. We will be contracting everyone that entered in 2019 with further details.

We value the safety of our patrons, participants, vendors, volunteers, Jr. fair members and families. We will be working with the Summit County Health Department to follow the safety protocols in the fair guidelines published June 9, 2020.

Please follow us on Facebook and check out our website www.summitfair.com for updated schedules. Again, thank you for your support and patience through these times.

Sincerely,

The Executive Board

Lee Crites, President

Theresa Call, Vice President

Diana Cochran, Treasurer

Cathy Cunningham, Secretary/Fair Manager