

From the Sumner County Fair Livestock and Sale Committees:

July 13, 2020

Dear 4-H and FFA Livestock Exhibitors.

As you know by now, the 2020 Sumner County Fair has been cancelled for this year. However, the livestock shows and sale will still go on, although the format will be different than in the past. The shows will take place in the livestock arena and be show and go, where you will, if possible, show out of your trailer and as soon as the show is over, take your animals home. The shows will be spaced out so that sanitizing can be done between the shows. So if you have not been practicing showing your hogs, for example, now would be a good time to start practicing driving them where you want them to go. A few pens will be set up to hold hogs that can't be driven from trailer to show ring, but only a few. There will be no pens set up for sheep and goats. Please know that you are invited to show in this show. No one is required to do so. Those with market animals who show in the show, however, are eligible to participate in the junior livestock auction on Sunday. You will need to specify on cards which animals you want to sell in the sale, as we have in the past.

School will be starting shortly after the fair, and we want kids to be safe and well as they go back. So exhibitors are expected to wear masks in the show ring. It might be good to practice with your animals wearing the mask so the animals get used to a different look than they are used to now. We also ask that only immediate family come to the show, and will make sure that someone is broadcasting each show on Facebook Live through the fair Facebook page so that grandparents and others can watch from home. We will also ask exhibitors to use hand sanitizer and social distance as much as possible.

Your fair premium checks this year will be mailed to you if you are showing only breeding animals or bucket calves, and will be clipped with your sale premium checks if you are showing and selling market animals. The sale will be at 2:30 pm Sunday, August 2, at the Community Building as in the past, but no meal will be served and we will not ask the exhibitors to go on the stage. Instead we will use the pictures you send us of you with your animals. Thank you for getting them to [scjrla@gmail.com](mailto:scjrla@gmail.com) as soon as possible. Please make sure both the exhibitor and the animal ear tag number is identified on each picture. Good luck to each of you, and we will see you at the livestock shows. If you have any questions about the auction, please give Julia Strnad a call at 620-863-2471. Questions about the show should be directed to Lewis Kuchar at 620-218-4497.

Below is the schedule of livestock shows.

**Friday, July 31            8:00 am Show            Swine**

Weigh-in will be from 6:00 am-7:30 am.

**Friday, July 31            4:30 pm Show            Sheep**

Weight-in will begin at 3 pm.

**Saturday, August 1    8:00 am Show            Beef**

Bucket Calves follow beef show.

To weigh-in contact Matt Theurer at 620-892-5557

**Saturday, August 1    10:00 am            Goats Show**

Weigh-in will be from 8:00—9:45 am.

*Wash racks will be available to rinse and cool animals. Have animals ready to show out of trailers and take animals and mess home at the conclusion of the show. If you need help driving animals and/or need pens, please contact Lewis Kuchar at 620-218-4497. Please see back for COVID guidelines.*

# 2020 Sumner County Fair Livestock Shows COVID-19 GUIDELINES

- Due to the start of school following closely after the fair, all exhibitors will be expected to wear masks while participating in the livestock show. Masks will be available for those exhibitors who may not have their own.
- Masks are recommended but not required for spectators, workers, and judges.
- Social distancing needs to be practiced as much as possible both in and out of the show ring. Spectators are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. Some bleacher seating will be available.
- Show ring and barn area will be disinfected between shows.
- Hand sanitizer will be available in the barn.
- Please do not attend these events if you are not feeling well.

*Note: These guidelines are subject to change depending on COVID-19 and County Health Regulations.*