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The 2020 Lake County Fair

After careful consideration and thoughtful discussion, on June 4th, the Lake County Fair Board voted to proceed with a modified Junior Fair exhibition for 2020. The exhibition will take place on July 28, July 29 and July 30 at the county fairgrounds in Painesville. There will be no public admission to the exhibition.

All on-site events will be limited to Junior Fair participants, their immediate family and exhibition officials. The exhibition will follow the mandatory and recommended best practices included in the Responsible RestartOhio, Directive for County Fairs, recently issued by Governor Mike DeWine and The Ohio Department of Health and with the guidance of the Lake County General Health District. This greatly abbreviated exhibition will culminate with an innovate virtual on-line auction, which will allow the youths' livestock to be sold and harvested.

In adherence to current state guidelines, there will be no midway including amusement rides, grandstand attractions, Senior Fair competitions or commercial vendors. Harness horse racing is scheduled to take place contingent upon receipt of state funding, but without spectators or wagering.

The Lake County Fair has a proud 165-year tradition of holding an annual fair each summer. While this year's limited activities do not represent the event, we hoped for in 2020, the crisis our state and nation are dealing with is unlike anything most of us have ever experienced. As disappointing as this decision is, we hope it demonstrates our dedication to keeping our community safe, while honoring the incredible efforts of our Junior Fair youth.

We look forward to seeing all of you at the 2021 Lake County Fair planned for July 27th through August 1st.

The Lake County Fair Board