Hello Tuscarawas County 4-H:

Today is a difficult day in the history of our country. I hope you will take a moment to pause and reflect on what Patriot Day is about and the events that occurred on September 11, 2001. May we never forget the sacrifices of our first responders and those who lost their lives on that heartbreaking day.

We continue to stay incredibly busy putting plans into place for fair (we’re 10 days from the official start!) and I thank you for your continued patience and perseverance as we navigate these strange times together. We have finished updating the letters and sale flyers that go out to the buyers and those were put in the mail earlier this week. At this point, if you have a potential new buyer, we cannot mail out more of the flyers but if you provide us with an email, we can send it that way instead.

We are putting the final touches on our written plan for fair and will be sending it off to the health department for their approval. Below are some items that we ask you to keep in mind and practices we ask that you follow as we navigate through fair this year.

- There is a mandatory 10:00 p.m. curfew and law enforcement will be enforcing the curfew. Anyone who is not camping will be expected to leave the fairgrounds by 10:00 p.m. each day. Those who are camping will be expected to be in their campers no later than 10:00 p.m. If a judging or auction event continues past 10:00 p.m., participants and spectators are expected to leave the fairgrounds no later than 30 minutes after the event concludes.
- Masks must be worn at all times while inside and when you are unable to maintain proper social distancing while outside.
- It is expected by the state that each participant will perform a daily symptom assessment that should include taking temperature with a thermometer, monitoring for fever, and watching for coughing or trouble breathing. Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home.
- Spectators and others in the exhibition area must follow current orders regarding mass gatherings and social distancing. For Tuscarawas County, spectators will be permitted to enter the arena to watch the livestock class in which they have exhibitors showing. Once the class concludes and the exhibitors exit with their animals, the spectators will be asked to exit too to make room for the next class and their spectators. If at any time the Senior Fair Board/health officials/law enforcement feels that the arena is too full and social distancing protocols are not being met, the show will be halted.
• Please follow traffic flow signs and directional arrows.
• Seating at auctions will be limited, buyers are encouraged to bring chairs (if able to do so). We have received word that there will be a chair trailer there with donated chairs. Chairs will not be set out. If a buyer wants a chair, they can receive one from the trailer. Chairs will need to be sanitized upon return to the trailer. Only active bidders should be in the arena during the sale. Families may enter to watch their exhibitor sell then proceed out with their exhibitor.

**Please remember to encourage your buyers to pre-register for the sales so that we don’t have lines of buyers at the Weaver barns who are trying to register. For those planning to attend the live sale, please inform your buyers to pre-register at: [go.osu.edu/liveauctionreg](http://go.osu.edu/liveauctionreg).**

• For those who want to bid online only, please direct your buyers to [kaufman-auctions.com](http://kaufman-auctions.com) and the online sale catalog will be posted on: tusccountyjrfair.sale (link will not be live until mid-week of fair week).

• Please remember to **not** bring buyers gifts to the sales. We encourage you to go thank buyers in person after the fair. We will not be distributing buyers’ boards. Pictures of the exhibitors with their animals (that were to be turned in by September 9) will be shown on the screen as exhibitors walk through the sale ring and will also be used for the online sale catalog.

• Buyers will be invoiced after fair. No payment will be accepted at the sales in order to limit contact as much as possible.

• Please remember to check the fair’s website for the most up-to-date schedule and information: [https://www.tusccountyfairgrounds.com/assets/img/2020FairSchedule.pdf](https://www.tusccountyfairgrounds.com/assets/img/2020FairSchedule.pdf)

• As always, information is subject to change as new mandates and information arises.

**Clover Café**

There are still spots open for workers in the Clover Café. Remember the items served will be served from a Weaver barn up by the other food trailers but will be prepared in the Café itself. Again, the 4-H Committee will accept coupons again this year. Please remember to make them the size of a business card or larger! This is the only large fundraiser that our county 4-H program holds so please plan to support this worthy cause!

For those who signed up to serve as a shift supervisor, Chris Kendle will hold a food safety meeting next Thursday, September 17 (that’s her birthday!) at 7:00 p.m. at the Café. Please plan to attend.
Please contact Michelle Evans (330-204-4968) or Diane Glazer (330-204-0670) with any questions or if you would like to volunteer to help. If they are unable to answer the phone, please leave a name and number and they will return your call. Diane and/or Michelle will be at the Clover Café to collect pop donations on Friday, September 18 and Saturday, September 19 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Clover Café will be open on Sunday, September 20 (as livestock move in) from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please drop the pop off at the Café, NOT the remote location where the food will be served. Please see the list for your club's requested beverages listed at the link below. Thank you! https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/tuscarawas-county-junior-fair

**Fair Picture Slideshows**
Each year, we take a ton of pictures throughout the year of kids enjoying activities at 4-H Camp, Cloverbud Camp, various 4-H and Jr. Fair clinics, Older Youth meetings, camp counselor trainings, etc. Unfortunately, we weren’t able to do that this year as many of those events were canceled or held virtually. But we would still like to put together the slideshow we have at fair every year that runs on the screens in the main arena when there are no shows or sales going on. In order to do that this year, we need your help! Submit pictures to us via email of your kids and clubs participating in their own community service activities, with their projects, with their animals, anything that involves 4-H! You can submit these pictures to tusc4hjudge@gmail.com. In order to get the slideshow ready in time for fair, please submit pictures via email no later than Wednesday, September 16.

**TuscoTV Wants To Interview 4-H Members!**
TuscoTV has reached out and they want to interview some clubs (entire clubs) and allow whoever wants to talk the opportunity to talk. It can be silly, fun, and allow the club members a chance to sound off. Who is willing to let them interview your club? If you have a meeting coming up in the next week or so, that would be best! Let me know, ASAP! So far, I’ve only had two clubs volunteer!

**Jr. Fair Board T-Shirt Fundraiser**
Don’t forget that the Junior Fair Board is selling commemorative t-shirts that celebrate the 170th Tuscarawas County Fair with a comical COVID twist! The order form can be found here: https://tuscarawas.osu.edu/sites/tuscarawas/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/JrFair/JFB%20T-Shirt%20Fundraiser%20Order%20Form.pdf

Orders had to be placed by September 1 so they would be ready in time for fair but orders will be collected through October 5 and those shirts will be ready for pick-up in
November. Payment is due at the time of order. Questions can be directed to Chris Kendle (kendle.4@osu.edu).

**Club Completion Sheets**
Advisors – These were mailed out two weeks ago. Please utilize these sheets for your club members who completed their projects and received advisor completion for their miscellaneous projects. We would appreciate that you return these sheets to our office no later than Monday, September 14.

**Drug Use Notification Forms**
Just as a reminder, we have received the Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF) at the Extension office so we have put them in the gray plastic tote that we used for the Jr. Fair Supplements and it is sitting outside the Extension office in front of the black drop-box. Only those with market animals or animals that will be lactating (dairy cows AND dairy goats) should be filling out a DUNF. Those will need to be turned in when your animal arrives at fair. Please fill out a new DUNF per animal (except in the case of a pen or rabbits or broilers then only 1 form is needed).

Best of luck to our Jr. Fair horse exhibitors who will be participating in the Jr. Fair horse shows this weekend at the fairgrounds!

Have a great weekend!
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