



September 3, 2021

Dear Friend of the Fair,

The DeKalb County VFW Fair has made the decision to have a limited DeKalb County Fair again this year, due to COVID-19 and its variants. The fair committee would like to thank all of you for your support of our community and the county fair. It is with much heart felt disappointment that we felt it necessary to make this decision, but the safety of the community, exhibitors, staff, and workers had to take priority.

It is our decision not to have any individual exhibits this year, the scarecrow contest, or the civic booths for competition, such as Boy & Girl Scouts, schools, churches, etc. There was no way that we could find to sufficiently sanitize these entries/items for the safety of all of you, our supporters.

We will however have the livestock shows, as the owners are the handlers of the livestock. We will have the Horse & Mule Show, all Goat shows, Cattle Show, Lamb Show, and the 4-H sponsored Chick Chain on Saturday. Unfortunately, we cannot have the petting zoo which is loved by both young and old because of the threat of transfer from animal to human.

We have been in contact with Kissel Entertainment and they have a plan in place to protect those that love the carnival. Rides will be sanitized after each ride and social distancing will be practiced. Details will be on our website at [www.dekalbcountyvfwfair.com](http://www.dekalbcountyvfwfair.com) and also the listing of the entertainment for this year's fair, which includes a very special aerial thrill show, "High Flying Pages" with two shows nightly.

We will be doing all that we can to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and variants. Hand sanitizer will be available for all, the commercial area, building and contents will be sanitized each day just prior to opening. We will be wearing masks and ask that you to do the same. We will practice social distancing and one-way foot traffic throughout the buildings. We will be honoring regulations aimed at limiting the spread of COVID.

The fair committee would like to thank you, our patrons, for your understanding and loyal commitment to the DeKalb County VFW Agricultural Fair during these unprecedented times. Please remember that to "MASK" is not just for yourself, but for those around you. We sincerely hope to prevent anyone from contracting COVID at this year's fair and hope 2022 will be better days.

See you at the Fair!

VFW DeKalb County Fair Committee

Charles Stephens, Manager