

## HEALTH AND SAFETY STATEMENT

The annual San Benito County Fair is the signature event of the year, bringing together a cross section of our community to celebrate the start of fall, our county heritage, agriculture, music, family, and fun. While the Fair will go on this year, we recognize that our community is currently experiencing a surge of COVID-19 infections, fueled by the highly contagious Delta variant. We greatly appreciate human rights and civil liberties and we ask that you participate according to the following recommendations.

To protect the health and safety of our community, the San Benito County Fair Board, Hazel Hawkins Emergency Room Director, San Benito County Public Health, and health leaders from across the community strongly recommend that all who attend the Fair wear a mask while indoors, regardless of vaccination status.

Furthermore, we strongly recommend that anyone age 65 and over, those with compromised immune systems, and those with underlying health conditions consider your risk of attending a public event.

Please stay home if you are sick or experiencing a fever. Anyone in isolation due to a positive COVID-19 test or is in quarantine due to an exposure to someone who has tested positive must not attend the Fair.

The San Benito County Fair has taken extraordinary measures to protect the health of all fairgoers. We ask that exhibitors, vendors, and visitors do their part to prevent further COVID-19 infections, hospitalizations, and deaths during this unprecedented time. We are excited to have an event this year, let us come together and make it a safe one.

Sincerely,

Dara C. Tobias - Fair Manager/CEO Nicole A. Shelton MSHS, PA-C Fair Board President Michael Bogey, MD Hazel Hawkins Emergency Room Director David Ghilarducci, MD, FACEP Interim Health Officer San County Public Health Department