

# Manitowoc County Fair

*“Stars, Stripes and Fair Delights”*



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## 2020 MANITOWOC COUNTY FAIR CANCELED

Manitowoc, WI – June 10, 2020 – The Manitowoc County Expo-Ice Center Board and staff have been closely monitoring the COVID-19 data from local, state and federal health officials during the past three months. The evidence that this disease spreads quickly and easily when people are in densely populated areas has led several agencies to continue their recommendation to avoid mass gatherings.

For the safety and well-being of our community including the exhibitors, vendors, entertainers, suppliers, and staff, the Manitowoc County Fair Board made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Manitowoc County Fair scheduled for August 26-30.

While the Manitowoc County Fair is canceled for this year, the board has determined that any youth exhibitor who is aging out of participation this year and is enrolled in a 2020 project will be eligible to participate in the 2021 Manitowoc County Fair within the same project areas. This exception is only made for the 2021 Manitowoc County Fair under the fair rules and regulations with more details to follow.

Jerry Vetting, Expo Board Chairperson, commented, “We understand that the Manitowoc County Fair is an annual celebration where friends and family can come together and where our exhibitors can bring their animals and projects that they worked on throughout the year. The Expo Board realized that the health and safety of all fairgoers was of the utmost importance and was the key factor in making our decision. We look forward to seeing you all at next year’s fair, August 25-29.”

Tickets purchased in advance are eligible for a full refund by contacting the Manitowoc County Expo Office at [JennellShelton@co.manitowoc.wi.us](mailto:JennellShelton@co.manitowoc.wi.us) or calling 920-683-4378 no later than July 31.

The Manitowoc County Expo-Ice Center Board wishes everyone good health and thank you for your support during this time as we begin planning for a memorable 2021 Manitowoc County Fair set for August 25-29.