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The Cass County Fair Board met last evening and voted to postpone the Cass County Fair until August 1-7, 2021. This was a decision that we did not want to make but given the current status of the Michigan Safe Start Plan we felt there was little to no chance of having a traditional fair. We wish to thank those who encouraged us to move forward with a fair via calls, text messages, or mentioned us on social media. Ultimately the decision was very hard to make but knowing that we did everything we could lessens the bitter reality. This decision affects so many more people than just the exhibitors and guests of the fair. We tried to take in account all of our partners, including our sponsors, vendors, the carnival, nonprofit groups who provide a service to the fair for their fundraising, our emergency management team, and both grounds and grandstand entertainment.

While we are unable to have a fair this year, the board did approve having drive in livestock shows during our 2020 Fair dates, which we chose to keep the same, as we know that many people take their vacation for the week of the Fair. We are currently working on the schedule and what classes we will offer. We will not be offering premiums or a livestock auction at this show, however, we are in the process of doing something for our market livestock exhibitors.

Due to the current restrictions, only exhibitors and their parents/guardians should plan on attending this show. We are exploring options for livestreaming shows so other friends and family can watch. Our goal is to have a finalized program set by Friday July 10th.

While we understand this is not the outcome we all wanted, our goal remains to provide the best possible experience for our county's youth who deserve the opportunity to show their projects and be recognized for all of their hard work.

Please continue to be patient with us as we work towards our goal. We hope to make the very best out of a difficult situation and we look forward to better days ahead. Just think Fair 2021 is only 57 weeks away.

Sincerely,
Cass County Fair Board