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San Mateo County Fair Ticket Sales Begin Thursday, April 15th at 9:00 a.m.

The 2021 San Mateo County Fair is the first major fair to resume in the State of California since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Tickets will be limited and sold with timed entry requirements

San Mateo, Calif – The San Mateo County Fair will open ticket sales for the 2021 fair starting Thursday, April 15th. Beginning at 9:00 a.m., tickets are only available for purchase online through the fair’s website: www.sanmateocountyfair.com. All ticket purchases must be made online and will not be available at entry gates.

To keep all visitors as safe and healthy as possible, timed entry will be available at two different daily, 11:00 am and 4:00 pm, all guests may stay on-site until closing. Please note, the carnival portion of the fair will be closed between 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. so that staff can thoroughly clean and sanitize surfaces.

The fair will operate on Saturday, June 5th and Sunday, June 6th and then resume operations Wednesday, June 9th through Sunday, June 13th. The fair will not operate to the public on Monday and Tuesday, June 7th and 8th.

Ticket prices for this year’s fair are:

- Adults: \$15.00
- Juniors (ages 6-12): \$10.00
- Seniors (62 & Over): \$10.00
- Children Under 5: FREE

Carnival Pay One Price wristbands are also available for purchase for each of the two daily sessions. Please note a separate wristband is required for each carnival session but individual ride tickets can be purchased and used in either session. Sessions will run from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and then from 4:30 p.m. until closing.

Carnival Pricing:

- Weekday Session: \$25.00
- Weekend (Fri, Sat, Sun) Session \$30.00



At the fair, all guests will be required to wear a face covering over their nose and mouth at all times unless actively eating and/or drinking. There will be fewer vendors than years past in order to help with social distancing on the fairgrounds.

“We know that everyone in the San Mateo County community are equally excited as we host the first county fair in California as the state reopens,” **said Justin Anquino, San Mateo County Fair Manager.** “The fair may look and feel slightly different this year, but we are thankful in advance for everyone’s patience regarding complying with the new health regulations.”

“We are excited to bring the County Fair back this summer,” **said Dana Stoehr, CEO of the San Mateo County Events Center and Fair.** “Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, SMCEC has been the center of support for our community, housing testing sites, a vaccine clinic and home to one of our county’s PPE supply warehouses. This June, as fairgoers enjoy fried Oreos and corndogs, we remain committed to supporting our country's efforts in the fight against COVID-19 by continuing to host Sutter Health’s by-appointment vaccine clinic.”

Additionally, the San Mateo County Fair is announcing four major event days for family celebrations at the fair:

- San Mateo County Family PRIDE Day: Sunday, June 6th
- \$5 Admission Day: Wednesday, June 9th
- Pacific Island Day: Saturday, June 12th
- Dia de la Feria: Sunday, June 13th

ABOUT THE SAN MATEO COUNTY FAIR:

The award-winning San Mateo County Fair is the Peninsula's premier community event for family fun and entertainment. The San Mateo County Fair strives to provide a diverse experience through education, inspiration, and entertainment. The annual Fair represents a celebration of our community's talent, interests, innovations, and rich agricultural and artistic heritage.

ABOUT THE SAN MATEO COUNTY EVENTS CENTER:

For the past year, the San Mateo County Events Center has been unable to host most events, but instead played a vital role in protecting our health care workers and most vulnerable populations by serving as a COVID-19 testing site, operations hub and supply center, 250-bed temporary overflow hospital, and vaccine distribution center for the San Francisco Bay Area. To date, the Event Center has administered 250,000 COVID-19 tests and vaccinated more than 90,000 individuals. Visit our website at <https://www.smchealth.org/covidvaccine> to stay up to date regarding our most up to date COVID-19 Vaccine information.



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