

The Holmes County Senior Fair Board met via a Zoom format Thursday evening. As planned, decisions regarding pre-fair activities were discussed and adjusted for events thru June 15th. With the added restrictions put out on Wednesday evening extending the no-contact policies for OSU Extension functions to July 6th, the fair board will address that period of time on or before their May 14th meeting. The board is moving forward with every intention that there will be a fair starting August 10th! At this point we do not know exactly what this will look like, but we will work tirelessly to ensure that our 4H and FFA youth have an opportunity to complete their projects, whatever that may look like when we get to that time. Here are the immediate changes approved by the board:

- The 2020 fair book will be posted on-line by the end of the month or sooner. All rules and schedules will be subject to change as we move forward, so please keep abreast of this very fluid situation. We will attempt a printed version of the book at some point before the fair once we feel the majority of changes have occurred.
- All physical tag-ins scheduled to occur in May are cancelled. This includes Swine, Dairy Feeders, Beef Feeders, Goats and Lambs. Rate of gain awards for any of these species will not be given in 2020. Information will be forthcoming on how tag-ins will occur upon entry to the fair.
- Possession deadline is June 1, 2020, for animals to be exhibited at the Holmes County Fair.
- Exhibitors must follow existing guidelines to ensure that their project is enrolled by June 1. Additional information will be forthcoming.
- All market lambs exhibited at the Holmes County Fair in 2020 must have a Scrapie tag.

Questions can be submitted in writing to hill.1357@osu.edu and a committee of the Senior Fairboard representatives Fair vet and other parties as needed will be looped into the discussion to answer your questions.

Please be patient as we roll these changes out and address the challenges that continue to occur.

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