



Welcome to the 101th Anniversary of the Mason County Livestock Show & Expo!!

We are so excited that this week is finally here, and we are going to have some beautiful weather. We have a record number of entries and a ton for first time exhibitors, so we thought we would share some important information with all of you.

MCLS&E is a membership organization. If you are exhibiting in the show, then you are a member. Please know that membership meetings take place **once a month all year long**. Everyone is invited to attend to discuss all things pertaining to our show and sale. As with any organization, you get out of it what you put into it.

Schedule- A full schedule and most information can be found on our website. <https://masoncountylivestockshow.com/> or our Facebook page. It has changed from last year, so be sure to look at it. Also, feel free to ask the Show Superintendents or Board of Directors should you have any questions. Please be mindful that our organization is run and managed by parents and volunteers that work hard for all our exhibitors. Also, we have kept the SELECTION OF CHAMPIONS in our schedule. It will be Thursday, tentatively at 6 pm. Should you make the line up, please be on the lookout from Sam Spradlin the timeline for that event.

Facilities- Please be aware that the show barn is owned and maintained by the Mason County Livestock Show and Expo. It is not owned by the county, so your tax dollars are not being used here. It is our organization's money that maintains it. So please be respectful of our building. Please keep your items and trash managed best you can. If you have an issue with any electricity, water, etc. please inform a Board Member.

Weigh/Check In- Please be prompt for your arrival/interview times. Please note that with the record number of entries, pens and stalling are going to be tight. We recognize this and will do the best we can to accommodate all. This is a great problem to have as we grow, but a struggle as well. Your superintendent will be more than willing to assist should you have needs.

Exhibitor Pictures- All exhibitors are required to have an exhibitor picture taken at the show backdrop on the day you show. You may take your pics at check in or after you show. We send these pictures to our buyers, so **no picture, no check!!**

Sale Time- Our sale is amazing! Many people work hard to make sure that it is an event that is worthy. We have celebrated our exhibitors all week during the show, now it is time to celebrate our buyers and supporters. We were forced to change the format of our sale due to COVID, and it was a true blessing in disguise. Our buyers loved it. We continue to work with that model. **That being said, no exhibitors in the sale area.**

Exhibitors- You will be lined up in the show barn area until it is your time to walk the stage. Please be there no later than **5:45 p.m.** There will be food, drinks, and activities for the exhibitors in the show barn. After the exhibitor has been through the sale, they are asked to return to the show barn area or be dismissed. Please **DO NOT** stay inside the community building. Our buyers and auctioneer team prefer less noise and activity in the room during the sale. So please be respectful, as we are working for everyone to have the best sale possible.

NEW THIS YEAR!! Please dress on theme for the sale. It's a BEACH PARTY!!

Parents- There will be food and drinks located in the community building for those attending the sale. You are welcome to partake. However, please **DO NOT** make or take your exhibitor a plate of food. They have a meal outback and we did not count them in food portions for the sale meal. Please enjoy and relax after a long week. Reserved seating will be set up for buyers. Please don't sit at a reserved table if it is not for you. 😊

The sale proceeds are not a given. Our sale committee works hard all year long to find buyers and supporters. Please don't take this for granted. Should you have any influence on potential buyers or support groups, PLEASE PLEASE, bring that support or get with the sale committee.

As a member of the MCLS&E, yes, that is you! Please find a way to help or support our organization. Our mission statement is what we are all about.

The mission of the Mason County Livestock Show & Expo, Inc. is to promote a safe and educational platform for Mason County youth to exhibit livestock and agricultural products to develop valuable life skills in responsibility, competition, financial management and community service.

Let's have a great week.

Sincerely,
MCLS&E Board

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