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EL PASO COUNTY

FAIR 

JULY 13 - 20 | CALHAN, CO

2024

Sensory Book

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE FAIR.

WELCOME LETTER

Welcome to the 2024 El Paso County Fair. We are excited to have you join us on our Epic Adventure.

Along with our partners at the Fair, we have been working hard to create an environment that supports ALL people and their ability to access the activities at the Fair. As the largest County hosted celebration, the El Paso County Fair wants to create a sense of community where people feel safe to attend and have a fun experience. Please utilize the this sensory book and the map to plan your time at the Fair. If you need a break, visit us in The Whittemore Building and find a quiet space to relax and regulate.

Most importantly, this is a time where everyone belongs and we all support each other as a community. Have an amazing time and be sure to take post some pictures of your day, it's sure to be Epic Out Here!

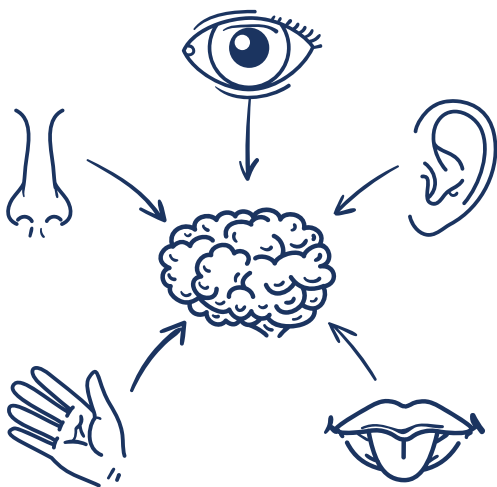
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WHAT IS SENSORY DAY?



Sensory Day at the Fair is Tuesday, July 16, from 11am - 2pm and it is designed to make me feel more comfortable and safe with smaller crowds. The lights and sounds on the rides will be off so I can enjoy a quieter day.

SENSORY BAGS?

I can ask for a bag with a few figit/stim items at the Fair Office in Swink Hall. I can check these out and borrow them for a while if I need them.

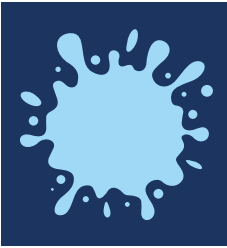
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NOISE LEVEL 1-5



SHARED SPACE



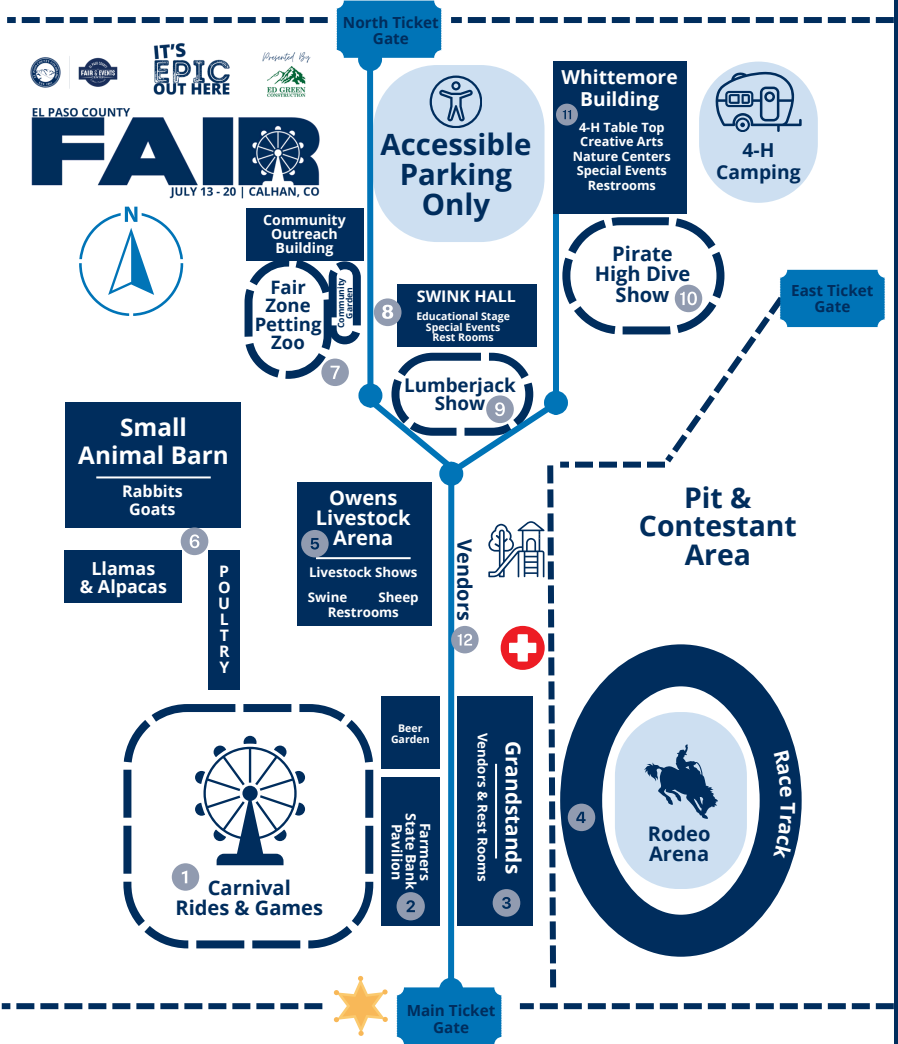
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INTERACTIVE



STRONG SMELL/ODOR



- 1. Carnival 🎡 🔊 3
- 2. FSB Pavilion 🎨 🔊 3
- 3. Grandstand Building 🎨 🔊 2
- 4. Rodeo Arena 🎡 🔊 2
- 5. Livestock Arena Bldg. 🎨 🔊 3
- 6. Barns 🐰 🎨 🔊 2
- 7. Fair Zone 🎡 🎨 🔊 2
- 8. Swink Hall 🎨 🔊 2
- 9. Lumberjacks 🎡 🎨 🔊 4
- 10. High Diving Pirates 🎡 🎨 🔊 3
- 11. Whittemore Building 🎨 🔊 2
- 12. Vendor Row 🎨 🔊 2



SENSORY AREA

WHITTEMORE BUILDING

Sometimes being in a large space with a lot of new things can be a lot for my brain and body. I can come to the sensory space to use the bounce seats, coloring station, headphones and other tools to help my body calm down. This space will be quiet and calm. Once I feel better, I can head back out to the fair to enjoy the other activities. I can come back to the sensory space as many times as I need.



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EXHIBITS

LUMBERJACKS



I will get to see real lumber jacks chopping and sawing wood using axes and saws. Their tools can be kind of noisy, but I am safe. They will also be racing on logs rolling in water, they might fall of the log, so there might be some splashes of water, but they are ok and so am I.



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EXHIBITS

PIRATES



The Pirate show looks like fun too. I will be able to watch them dive and jump from the ship from a really high diving board. They get a little excited and may hoot & holler, but they are ok and having fun and I will too.



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EXHIBITS

FIRE SHOW



There will also be fire dancers doing thrilling stunts, juggling fire from a safe distance, and dancing. They are professionals and know how to keep me and themselves safe.



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EXHIBITS

FAIR ZONE



INTRODUCING CONVERSATIONS WITH
Kyle the Alpaca & Farley the Highlander



KYLE & FARLEY:

I cant wait to meet Kyle the Llama & Farley the Highlander. I don't get to see this type of animal everyday.

PETTING ZOO

I might want to pet a goat, sheep, hog, donkey & more. Oh My!! I can even just look at them from a safe distance.



GAMES & ACTIVITIES

There will be safe games and activities for me to do while at the fair.



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LIVESTOCK



I will have the chance to see Goats, Pigs, Chickens, Lambs, Bunny's and more animals up close. They are all in pens, so I can be safe. Sometimes the owners of the animals are there to answer any questions I might have.



4-H EXHIBITS



The 4-H participants also have the opportunity to display their talents such as arts & crafts, baking, canning, sewing and other items. It will be fun for me to see all of these creative ideas.

CREATIVE ARTS



Even the surrounding communities get to display their creative Hobbies. Maybe, I can make something to enter next year.



RODEO ARENA



The Mustang Ambassador Program is here today to tell me about horses and show off some of their skills. I can watch from a distance in the Grandstands & listen over the speakers.



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VENDORS



I can do some shopping and see all different types of items that the vendors bring. Some are outside and some are in a building.



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CARNIVAL



The Carvinal is a fun space with games and rides.
Normally, it has loud music and bright lights,
but today the lights & music are off just for me.



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THANK YOU!

We wanted to take a moment and say thank you to all our partners who have made this day possible!

Thank you to all our Fair Sponsors. Your support allows us to host such new and fun community events at the El Paso County Fair.

Thank you to the Autism Society of Colorado for being a wonderful partner and teacher as we organized our Sensory Day. We will continue to strive to make the El Paso County Fair an inclusive event for all.

Thank you to all our partners, volunteers and vendors for making this day a day possible.



Thank you for coming to the
2024 El Paso County Fair
Sensory Day.

We hope you were able to
experience the Fair in a sensory
friendly environment.

We are always learning & growing.
If you have feedback on what you
like or what could have been
done better, please let us know.,
please let us know!

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