

EDUCATIONAL EXPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS
The State Fair of Virginia at The Meadow Event Park, Doswell, Va.
I-95, exit 98, near Kings Dominion

Arrival

Fair Gates open at **10:00 AM**. Schools may receive their tickets at the Ed Expo Ticket Booth starting at 9:30 for Field Trips.

All buses and vans with school children must enter Gate 7 off of Meadow Farm Road and proceed to the Bus Parking area (Lot B). Private vehicles/cars must enter Gate 7 off of Meadow Farm Road and park in Lot B. There is no charge for parking. If, in a vehicle other than a school bus, please place in front window ED EXPO signage (attached).

For security purposes and to expedite admission to the Fair, we ask all students stay together until tickets are picked up IF you have not already paid for your tickets and have them in hand until proper admission credentials are obtained.

IF you have already paid (ADVANCE PAYMENT on Etix), you can take your pre-printed tickets directly to gate admission and proceed into the

Student Competitions (FFA, SkillsUSA, DECA, FCCLA, and HOSA) groups that **have already paid, may enter Gate 2 with the proper credentials to park closer to your competition. **You must have tickets in hand.**

IF you need to pay (RESERVED on Etix), make checks payable to **State Fair of Va. Education Expo OR Virginia Farm Bureau Holding Corp.** Present check upon arrival at the Educational Exposition Ticket Booth at the main gate. Please, do NOT mail your check to us in advance!

Student Competition groups that have not paid are required to go through the main gate and Gate 7 parking. **Reserved tickets may only be picked up at the main gate.

We encourage students to leave backpacks on bus, as all bags are subject to search.

Getting Credentials

The lead teacher **must** present the State Fair Internet Confirmation at the **Ed Expo Ticket Booth**. **Do not** proceed through the gate without tickets. The lead teacher will make payment for the reserved field trip tickets at the ticket booth.

Bus Drivers Admitted at no charge. They will be given an admission ticket at the Ed Expo Ticket Booth

Types of Payment

Per Ed Expo instructions, all schools and teachers should have pre-registered or reserved their needed tickets in advance on Etix to ensure their tickets at the Ed Expo price. We will accept the following payment options: School check; cash; credit cards (Visa , Master Card ,Discover).

Students

Admission is \$8.00 per student, which does **not** include rides.

Teachers/Chaperones

One teacher/chaperone is admitted free of charge for every eight students. Additional adults must purchase a \$11.50.

Ride Wristbands: Ride wristbands are not sold at the ticket booth. All ride wristbands must be redeemed inside the fairgrounds. New in 2024, ride wristbands will be the same reduced ticket price when purchased before 1 p.m., ride until 4 p.m. for \$20!

Special Needs / Assistance

Contact the Manager of Ag Education, by phone: 804.994.2743 or e-mail edu@statefairva.org

Day of Contact: 540.589.8528