

State Fair SENSORY-FRIENDLY MORNINGS ★ GUIDE ★

EACH WEDNESDAY 10 AM - 1 PM

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On any given day, there are hundreds of activities for fairgoers of all ages to enjoy. Using this itinerary as your guide, you can get a preview of the family fun activities we've modified and recommend for Sensory-Friendly Mornings at the Fair. Sensory-Friendly Mornings at the Fair will take place each Wednesday of the 2019 exhibition from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dates are as follows: October 2, 9, and 16. These activities are in no particular order, to avoid overcrowding. We recommend selecting two to three activities on this list to do from 10 a.m. until noon, then to head on over to enjoy the Midway for an hour of rides and games.

For a complete list of daily activities, visit BigTex.com/Schedule.



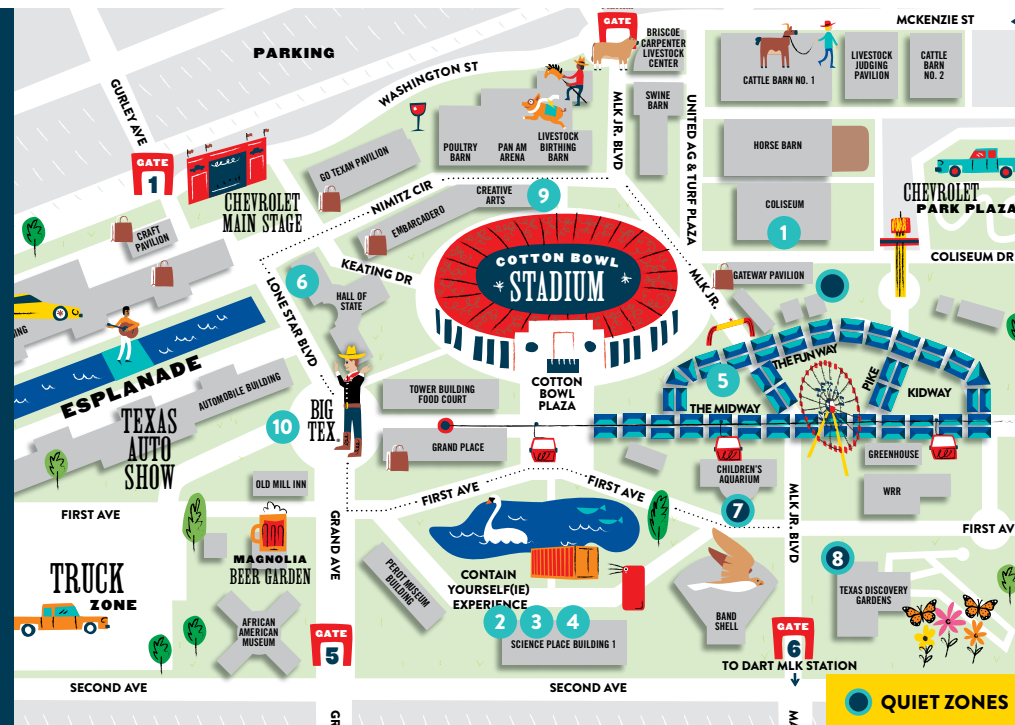
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10 AM – 1 PM	1	Discover Home on the Range
10 AM – 1 PM	2	Big Tex's Farmyard
11 AM	3	¡Fiestas de Marionetas!
11:30 AM	4	Snap a Picture at Contain Yourself(ie)
NOON – 12:55 PM	5	Explore the Midway
10 AM – 1 PM	6	Texas Cinema
10 AM – 1 PM	7	Experience the Children's Aquarium
10 AM – 1 PM	8	Stop by the Texas Discovery Gardens
10 AM – 1 PM	9	Wander the Creative Arts building
10 AM – 1 PM	10	Take a selfie with Big Tex



1 DISCOVER HOME ON THE RANGE

This exhibit combines the popular barnyard with the Little Hands on the Farm activity. This fun and interactive exhibit teaches how food gets from farm to table. Activities on this miniature farm include planting seeds, gathering eggs, and driving a tiny tractor before harvesting crops and taking them to market. Snacks can be purchased at the General Store with the earnings from sold crops.

2 BIG TEX'S FARMYARD

Old McDonald himself would be impressed by what is happening over on Big Tex's Farmyard. The Farmyard provides an educational experience through interactive exhibits, as well as live animal displays. This area of the Fair is an excellent way for fairgoers of all ages to learn about the impact agriculture and livestock has on our daily lives.

3 ¡FIESTAS DE MARIONETAS!

Watch 85 handmade marionettes come to life to celebrate a fiesta of color, culture, and creativity. Stick around after the show for a backstage tour and craft activity from 11 – 11:30 a.m.

4 WALK THROUGH CONTAIN YOURSELF(IE)

The area around the historic Lagoon will be transformed into a walking selfie stroll. There will be ten beautifully themed stations to take some very special and fun pictures in front of.

5 EXPLORE THE MIDWAY

Enjoy all the fun of the Midway without the usual sights and sounds. There are over 70 rides, including the iconic 212-foot Texas Star® Ferris wheel, the 500-foot Top o' Texas Tower, and the 1914 Dentzel Carousel – not to mention all of your favorite Midway games and Fair foods.

6 TEXAS CINEMA

Texas Cinema focuses on the history and impact of film performers and creators from the Lone Star State, as well as the depiction of Texas through film. Incorporating a substantial amount of video and other media elements, the Great Hall will come alive with interactive opportunities and valuable historical artifacts. Through a partnership with the Dallas International Film Festival, the Hall of State's Hill Auditorium will feature screenings all day.

7 EXPERIENCE THE CHILDREN'S AQUARIUM

Come learn something new about your favorite aquatic friends from around the world! From stingrays to sea turtles, the Children's Aquarium offers a fun look into marine life with interactive zones and exhibits. The Children's Aquarium is also offering a Quiet Zone for Sensory-Friendly Mornings at the Fair.

8 TEXAS DISCOVERY GARDENS

With over 7.5 acres of beautiful gardens, you can experience nature's finest plants, flowers, and wildlife, including butterflies, bugs, and birds. Be sure to check out the Canopy Room, which is a designated Quiet Zone, with rugs and pillows to give guests time and space to decompress. This room also allows guests to see the Butterfly Conservatory before going in. And don't forget to stop by and see the Snakes of Texas exhibit – over 20 different species are on display!

9 WANDER THE CREATIVE ARTS BUILDING

A must-see attraction every year at the State Fair of Texas – the butter sculpture, of course! This thousand pound-plus work of art depicts the Fair's 2019 theme, Celebrating Texas Creativity. While you're there, check out the hundreds of award-winning Creative Arts contest entries on display throughout the building.

10 TAKE A SELFIE WITH BIG TEX

A trip to the State Fair of Texas is not complete without a commemorative picture with the famous 55-foot cowboy. Stop by Big Tex Circle to snap a photo with Big Tex to remember your visit for years to come.

- *Big Tex speaks at every quarter hour (i.e. 10:15 a.m.)*
- *The usual sights and sounds of the Midway will return promptly at 1 p.m., so we recommend starting to make your way off the Midway around 12:50.*
- *The State Fair of Texas offers a program called Safe Kids as a precaution for parents if they're to get separated from their child during their visit. If you'd like to utilize this program, take your child to the nearest information booth to get a Safe Kids wristband that will help identify them if they get lost.*
- *If you have noise cancelling headphones for your child or student, we recommend bringing them as an additional precaution if needed.*
- *If you need to take "sensory breaks" throughout the morning to depressurize, Quiet Zones are located at: Safe Kids Corral in the Guest Relations complex near the Top o' Texas Tower, Texas Discovery Gardens, and the Children's Aquarium.*
- *Each person who brings four canned food items on Wednesday to donate to North Texas Food Bank will receive \$4 admission to the Fair.*

For questions regarding Sensory-Friendly Mornings, please contact Taylor Austin at taustin@bigtex.com.