

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 2022 exhibition from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dates are as follows: October 5,

12, and 19. 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. The Fair has also mapped out quiet zones, should any guest need a moment to depressurize. You can find these quiet zones on the map on the following page.

For a complete list of daily activities, visit [BigTex.com/Schedule](https://www.bigtex.com/schedule).



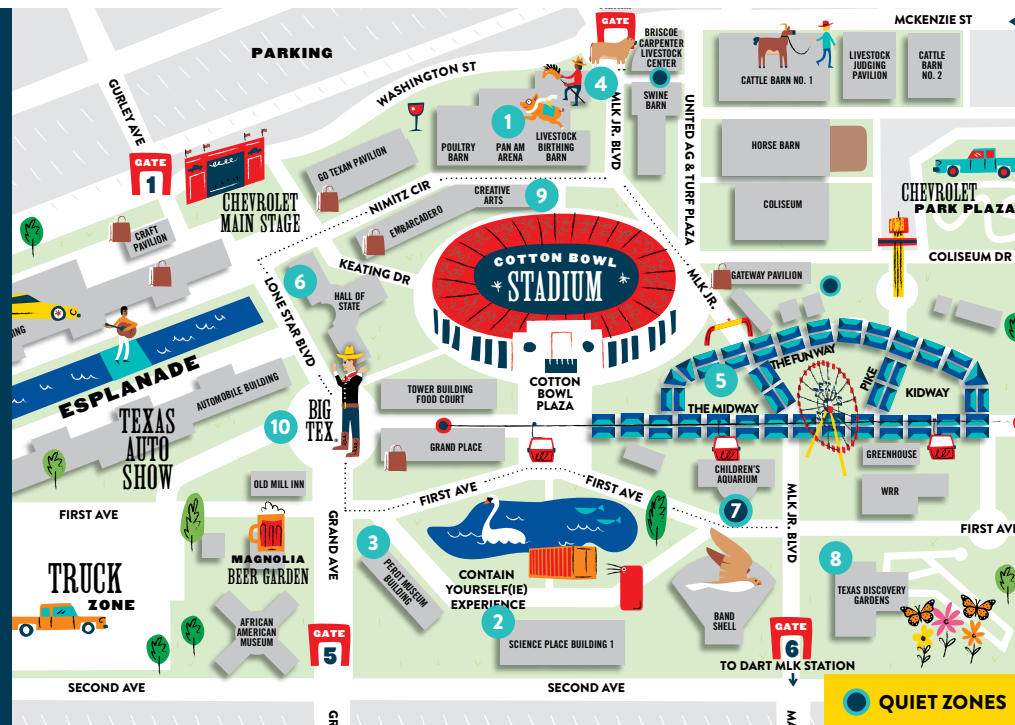
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| 10 AM – 1 PM | 1 Check Out the Oncor Petting Zoo |
| 10 AM – 1 PM | 2 Big Tex's Farmyard |
| 11 AM | 3 ¡Fiestas de Marionetas! |
| 11:30 AM | 4 Say "Heigh" to the Budweiser Clydesdales |
| NOON – 12:55 PM | 5 Explore the Midway |
| 10 AM – 1 PM | 6 Mavs Vault |
| 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 CHECK OUT THE ONCOR PETTING ZOO

Get up close and personal with a variety of farm friends, from emus and zebras to pigs and goats. You can pet some of the animals, and even feed them! Head over to the Pan Am Arena any time.

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 SAY "HEIGH" TO THE BUDWEISER CLYDESDALES

The world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales make their return to the State Fair. The hitch team will be on display daily for guests to visit at the horse stables.

5 EXPLORE THE MIDWAY

Starting at noon, 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 MAVS VAULT

This year the Hall of State will host, "Mavs Vault". Following an incredible playoff run, the Dallas Mavericks will host this exhibit, which will highlight the remarkable history of our local NBA team, this exhibit will feature interactive experiences, never-before-seen historical artifacts, and more. In addition, the Tom and Alicia Landry Collection will be available for viewing.

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. 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 ever year at the State Fair of Texas – the butter sculpture of course! To celebrate the iconic cowboy's 70th birthday with a Texas-sized celebration, sculptor Tom Roberts has dubbed this year's butter sculpture theme to be "Big Tex's Butter Birthday Party." 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, the Children's Aquarium, and the Briscoe Carpenter Livestock Center Center Heritage Hall of Honor (upstairs) on 10/15.
- Each person who brings five canned food items on Wednesday to donate to North Texas Food Bank will receive \$5 admission to the Fair.

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