Calhoun County Fair Association, Inc.

P.O. Box 42, Port Lavaca, Texas 77979

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Dear Calhoun County Youth Supporter:

While it was not an easy decision, the Calhoun County Fair Board recently announced that this year's fair has been cancelled due to Covid-19. Since that time, the Junior Livestock Committee and the Calhoun County Fair Board have been exploring options that would allow the livestock exhibitors the ability to safely showcase and sell their projects that they have spent so much time and effort raising. After careful consideration of current state and local regulations, and focusing on the safety of the exhibitors, their families and supporters such as yourself, we have put together a plan for a show and auction that we believe makes the best of the situation and helps ensure everyone's safety.

We currently plan to spread the livestock show over a two-day period. While the show will be broken up between Tuesday, October 13th & Wednesday 14th, 2020, the exhibitors will have the opportunity to show their animal projects live in front of the judge and be placed as they would in any other typical year.

As for the Junior Livestock Auction, we are currently planning a hybrid Auction that provides for both online and live bidding. What does this mean? It means that beginning <u>Wednesday</u>, October 14, 2020 at 5:00 <u>pm</u>, registered buyers will be able to begin placing bids and/or add-ons to any exhibitor project through an online bidding program. The online auction will continue through the end of the live auction discussed below.

On Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 6:30 pm there will be a live Auction at the Bauer Community Center, 2300 Hwy 35 North, Port Lavaca, Texas 77979. The live Auction is meant to accommodate any Buyer wishing to place bids and/or add-ons in person and will include a meal sponsored by Cal-Com Federal Credit Union. However, social distancing and other safety recommendations will be followed to help ensure everyone's health. The live Auction will be conducted by an auctioneer and formatted the same as the typical Junior Livestock Auction, with the biggest difference being that there will be pictures of the exhibitors and their projects to represent each lot (instead of the exhibitors and/or their animal projects) and bids will continue to be accepted through the online program until a lot is sold.

We anticipate that you may have additional questions about the auction and registration; and while we welcome you to contact us with your questions, we will be sending out additional details and information as it is finalized and becomes available. In the meantime, please send an email to cahounjrlivestock@gmail.com with your buyer name and contact information (including a cell phone number) so that we can make sure you are included in all future correspondence and notifications. You can also check our Calhoun County Jr. Livestock Show and Auction Facebook Page for the latest updates.

We understand this arrangement for the 2020 Calhoun County Junior Livestock Show and Auction may be out of the ordinary but this year has been anything but ordinary. In light of these unprecedented times, our goal is to make the best of the situation for our exhibitors, their families and our supporters. We appreciate your patience, understanding and past support of the youth of Calhoun County and hope our exhibitors can count on your support again this year with our new format.

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