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Cumming Country Fair & Festival Cancelled for 2020

CUMMING, Ga. – Leaders of the City of Cumming have made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Cumming Country Fair & Festival, which had been slated for Oct. 8-18. This marks the first time in the fair's 26-year history that the event has been cancelled.

"This was, of course, a very tough decision to make because we know how much the Cumming Country Fair & Festival is loved by our community," said Mayor Troy Brumbalow. "But given the ongoing public health situation surrounding COVID-19, we simply could not in good conscience hold this large-scale event this year."

Some other Fairgrounds' fall events are currently still scheduled to be held, such as the IPRA World Championship Rodeo over Labor Day Weekend and the American Cancer Society's House of Four Scythes haunted attraction in October. These events are smaller in scale, allowing organizers to more easily monitor patrons to ensure current Georgia COVID-19 safety guidelines are practiced. However, the fair's high attendance numbers combined with other concerns such as an inability to properly disinfect numerous highly touched surfaces and communal spaces, led City leaders to cancel the Cumming Country Fair & Festival for 2020.

"We hope conditions will be in place by fall of 2021 which will allow the Cumming Country Fair & Festival to return and be our biggest and best fair to date," Brumbalow added.

However, there is some good news for patrons who may be craving a bit of the fair experience come this October.

"We are working to create basically a 'drive-thru' service with walk-up capabilities on the weekend nights that the fair would have been held, in order for people to be able to come and take home some of their favorite fair foods," Brumbalow said. "It'll be similar to what you see now with many restaurants that do curbside pickup."

More information about the fair food take-away service will be shared on the City of Cumming and Cumming Fairgrounds' Facebook pages ([Facebook.com/cummingcityhall](https://www.facebook.com/cummingcityhall) and [Facebook.com/cummingfair](https://www.facebook.com/cummingfair)) in the coming weeks. For additional announcements and updates about all City of Cumming events, be sure to like and follow these pages.

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