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Agriculture Committee Announces Cancelation of 2020 County Fair

The Amherst County Agriculture Committee has canceled the 2020 County Fair. This cancelation was announced at the April 21, 2020, Board of Supervisors meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictions surrounding it, the committee feels it is in the best interest of our community and its safety to not burden our local businesses by asking for sponsorships during this financial crisis, and that the fair be canceled for this year. Additionally, the uncertainty in how long stay-at-home orders may last, made planning a large event impractical. The funding provided by the Amherst County Board of Supervisors will carry over and will be put toward the funding of the County Fair in 2021.

The fair cancelation was shared on the Amherst County Fair Facebook page stating, "We will get through this historic and trying moment together. Next year at the 2021 Amherst County Fair, we will celebrate what matters most; our relationships with family and friends and our beloved community."

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