



SENSORY DAY

MORE INFORMATION & FAQ'S

WHAT IS SENSORY DAY? This day is set up as an opportunity for a more sensory sensitive experience to the Topsfield Fair for families who have family members with autism or sensory processing disorders. Vendors will have no flashing lights, music or announcements. Sound for entertainment and stages will be lowered and announcements on the grounds will be limited and turned down as well. This event is held on the first Monday of the Topsfield Fair.

WHAT HOURS ARE SENSORY DAY? Sensory Day will operate during the operating hours of Monday's Topsfield Fair, 11AM to 9PM

DO I NEED TO PRE-REGISTER FOR SENSORY DAY? There is no need to register for Sensory Day. This event is open to all fairgoers. You will need to purchase regular admission tickets to enter the fair.

WILL THERE BE A QUIET SPACE? You are welcome to visit our Kids' Safe Zone. This is located between the Bee and Sheep Buildings, as part of the Lost Children building. This is staffed from fair opening till 8PM daily throughout the fair. This is a calming space to get away from the crowds.

WILL THERE BE NO NOISE AT AT ALL? No, there will still be noise but it will be much softer than a typical day at the fair.

IS THERE AN ADULT CHANGING STATION? Yes. The Adult Changing Room is a part of our Nursing Mothers's building and is between the Bee and Sheep Buildings. This provides a comfortable and private space for adult care givers.

WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT AT THE GATES? When arriving at our gates from any of the parking lots, there will first be a security station where all bags are checked. Then you will arrive at our ticket booths to purchase tickets. If you already have a ticket, or after you purchase one, you will then go through our gates where your ticket will be scanned. If you need any special accommodations, please ask our security staff.



DO YOU ALLOW SERVICE ANIMALS? We do allow service dogs.

WHERE IS THE BEST PICNIC AREA TO EAT? The picnic area behind the Administration Building, within New Meadows, is our quieter locations and the tables are spaced out more too.

WHERE SHOULD I PARK? We have several large parking lots that each have a gate to enter into the fairgrounds. Our largest gate, is Rivergate and is the easiest to enter.

WHAT IS THE BEST ENTRANCE TO USE WHEN ATTENDING THE FAIR WITH A GUEST THAT IS SENSITIVE TO SENSORY INPUT? Our Rivergate entrance and parking lot does not require Fairgoers to walk through the midway or to cross a street, making it the most convenient.

TIPS TO STILL ENJOY THE TOPSFIELD FAIR, IF YOU CAN NOT MAKE IT TO SENSORY DAY!

- Come Early! Check the weather too and visit on a cooler day.
- Don't plan to make it a 10 hour day! This can be overwhelming. Make a plan about what you want to see or do during your visit.
- Do what's best for your child and watch for signs of overstimulation.
- Bring noise canceling headphones or "check out" a Sensory Kit from our Information Booth or Kids' Safe Zone, which includes noise canceling headphones and a fidget toy.
- Access our Kids' Safe Zone as a cool down space or space to re-gounp during your visit.
- Grab an accommodation card at any Information Booth or Kids' Safe Zone
- Access our Sensory Friendly Map to help you explore the fair in a more quiet manner any day of the Fair.

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR VISIT TO THE TOPSFIELD FAIR!

