

2020 Junior National Hereford Expo Update

The latest on JNHE Location, Entry Refunds and Hotel Headquarters.



June 5, 2020

Hereford Family and Friends,

We appreciate you, your patience and cooperation through the 2020 Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) relocation process. On behalf of the American Hereford Association Board of Directors and the JNHE oversite committee, we have made contingent plans and all roads are leading home to Kansas City for the 2020 JNHE. "Come Home to Hereford" will be hosted July 10-15 at the American Royal Complex and Hale Arena.

Although we are excited to "Come Home to Hereford" please understand that this is still a fluid situation and is contingent on final permits from the city, which will be issued next week. Kansas City Officials, Visit Kansas City and American Royal Staff feel confident this is the one final hurdle to ensure a successful and healthy event.

Entry Refunds

At this time, we have elected to extend the entry deadline to Wednesday, June 10, and encourage you to enter with confidence. Due to the relocation of the event, we will be accepting refund requests until June 15 for families who entered with the intention of going to Louisville and who will not make the trip to Kansas City. There will be no refunds issued after June 15 to ensure firm numbers for the stalling process. Please send all refund requests to Bailey Clanton at bclanton@hereford.org. We will not process refund requests over the phone and require a written request be sent to Bailey by June 15.

Due to current circumstances and social distancing guidelines the Queen's Tea, 5K race, pre-peewee showmanship and painting activity events have been cancelled, and refunds will be automatically issued to everyone who registered for those events.

Schedule of Events

In an effort to keep the health and safety of our exhibitors and their families at the forefront of this year's JNHE, our regular schedule has been modified to a condensed version focused on showing activities. Please visit the JNHE Resources page at Hereford.org for a complete schedule of events and take special note that many of the contests will be hosted virtually prior to the JNHE.

Hotel Headquarters

The Kansas City Marriott Downtown will be the hotel headquarters and we have secured a room rate of \$109 plus tax. Click [here](#) to make your hotel reservations. A deposit of one night's room and tax will be due at the time of reservation and reservations must be cancelled prior to July 1, 2020, at 3 p.m. local time to receive a full refund. Reservations cancelled after July 1 will forfeit their deposit. The Marriott has secured a nearby surface lot for trucks that are too tall for garage clearance.

We have confirmed with the Crowne Plaza in Louisville that all hotel rooms previously booked in the 2020 JNHE block have been cancelled at this time.

They say patience is a virtue. Thanks for hanging tight with us through this venue transition. We are eager to finalize the plans for the 2020 JNHE and be HOME with our Hereford family in Kansas City, July 10-15.

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