

2020 Holiday Craft Fair Covid-19 Statement

The Franklin Central Bands 2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair is scheduled for Saturday, November 21st from 9:00am to 4:00pm. The Craft Fair Committee is continuing to plan for the event through the Covid-19 pandemic. We are developing multiple strategies to ensure the event is conducted safely, follows required government guidelines, and provides the best possible experience for vendors, volunteers, and guests. These plans include a strategy for a normal event, a socially distanced event, and what would need to occur if we are ultimately required to shut down due to school or government mandates. Although our original plan was to increase booth spaces to 140 this year, we have decided to maintain last year's participation at just over 100 booths.

As you probably anticipated, the craft fair experience may be a little different this year for vendors and guests. Here are some of the changes that may occur:

1. Vendor booth spaces requested from last year are not guaranteed. Booths may be moved or spaced out to promote social distancing.
2. Vendors and/or guests may be required to complete a health screening, wear masks, sanitize hands, or other guidelines as deemed appropriate by government, school, or program officials.
3. Traffic flow and capacity may be impacted. For example, there may only be one entrance and one exit. Traffic may be required to flow in one direction and the occupants in the building at one time may be limited and/or required to maintain social distance.
4. Vendors may be required to follow additional sanitary or social distancing requirements within their booth space.
5. Vendors serving food may be required to obtain a temporary food service license and follow guidelines established by the Department of Food & Consumer Safety.
6. Participation requirements are not limited to the items listed above. We will monitor government, school, and program recommendations as the event draws near. Full requirements will be released before our scheduled event date and an event map will be provided.

We appreciate your patience as we work through the details of this year's event. Our goal is to effectively organize, communicate, and execute the various plans so that the event can go on even in this ever-changing environment. We want vendors, volunteers, and guests to have the same positive experience we proudly set as a standard for our event last year.

Sincerely,

Franklin Central Bands Craft Fair Committee