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What: 161st Mississippi State Fair Event Schedule

When: Thursday, October 8; 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Where: Mississippi State Fairgrounds

Schedule of 161st Mississippi State Fair Events for Thursday, October 8, 2020

JACKSON, Miss. – Today, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson officially opened the gates to the 161st Mississippi State Fair with a ceremonial ribbon cutting. Gipson cordially invites everyone to attend the 161st Mississippi State Fair and announces the schedule of Mississippi State Fair events taking place tomorrow, Thursday, October 8, 2020. All events take place on the Mississippi State Fairgrounds.

Scheduled Activities & Events for Thursday, October 8, 2020:

- The ride special for this day is \$2 Rides Per Person, and it will take place from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.
- For the first time ever, the Fairgrounds will host the Genuine MS® Store in the new Mississippi Trade Mart, which will be open from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Fairgoers will have the opportunity to purchase items from several Mississippi producers with operations across the state conveniently in one place. Learn more about the state branding program, Genuine MS®, by going online to GenuineMS.com.
- Daily shows include the following:
 - 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. – The Farm Bureau Petting Zoo - Midway near Gate 1
 - 12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. – LOCALiQ Fetch-N-Fish - Trade Mart
 - 12:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m. – The Clarion Ledger Great American Thrill Show
 - 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., 6:45 p.m., and 8:00 p.m. – The Farm Bureau Pig Races - Midway near Gate 1
 - 1:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. – The Timberworks Lumberjack Shows
 - 2:00 p.m. – Rides Open
 - 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. – The Ag Expo
 - 6:00 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. – Live Performances by Wolf Trap Trio - Trustmark Stage
 - 7:30 p.m. – Live Performances by Roots and Boots - Budweiser Stage
 - 10:00 p.m. – Gates Close

The Mississippi State Fair runs from Wednesday, October 7, 2020, through Sunday, October 18, 2020, with a gate admission price of \$5.00 per person and parking \$5.00 per car. Children under the age of 6 are admitted free of charge. Enjoy free admission on weekdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

For more information, download the Mississippi State Fair mobile app, visit www.MsStateFair.com online or follow the Mississippi State Fairgrounds page on Facebook.

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