



**LARIMER COUNTY**  
**FAIR AND PRCA RODEO**

**2025**  
**SENSORY BOOK**

# WELCOME LETTER



Welcome to the Larimer County Fair and Rodeo! We are so happy that you are here to make some memories in a way that works for you. Along with our partners at the fair, we have been working hard to create an environment that supports ALL people and their ability to access the activities at the fair. Much like the mission of the Larimer County Fair, we want to create a sense of community where people feel safe to attend and have a fun experience. Please utilize the social story and the map to plan your time at the fair. If you need a break, come to the sensory room and find some quiet space to relax and regulate. Most importantly, this is a time where everyone belongs and we all support each other as a community. Have an amazing time and be sure to take some pictures to capture the memories you will make at the fair.

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# PARTNERS IN MAKING SENSORY DAY POSSIBLE

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**Autism Society**  
Colorado



**IRON HORSE**

— THERAPEUTIC FARM —

# WHAT IS SENSORY DAY?

The Fair is a very busy place! It can be very loud with many people moving around. Sensory Day at the Fair was created with the goal of making the fair more inclusive and inviting an audience that may not typically get to be a part of the fair. The hours dedicated to Sensory Day have smaller crowds which allows for a quieter environment. Lights and sounds on the rides are turned off so children can enjoy the rides without being overwhelmed.



## SENSORY BAGS

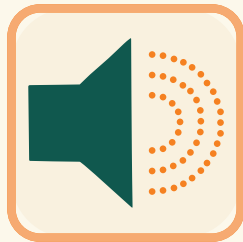
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Sensory bags are available to borrow for families that need them. These bags, provided by Autism Colorado, include fidgets, wiggle seats, headphones and weighed stuffies.



# ICONS



= NOISE LEVEL 1-5

1 = VERY QUIET | 5 = VERY LOUD



= SHARED SPACES



= HAND WASHING

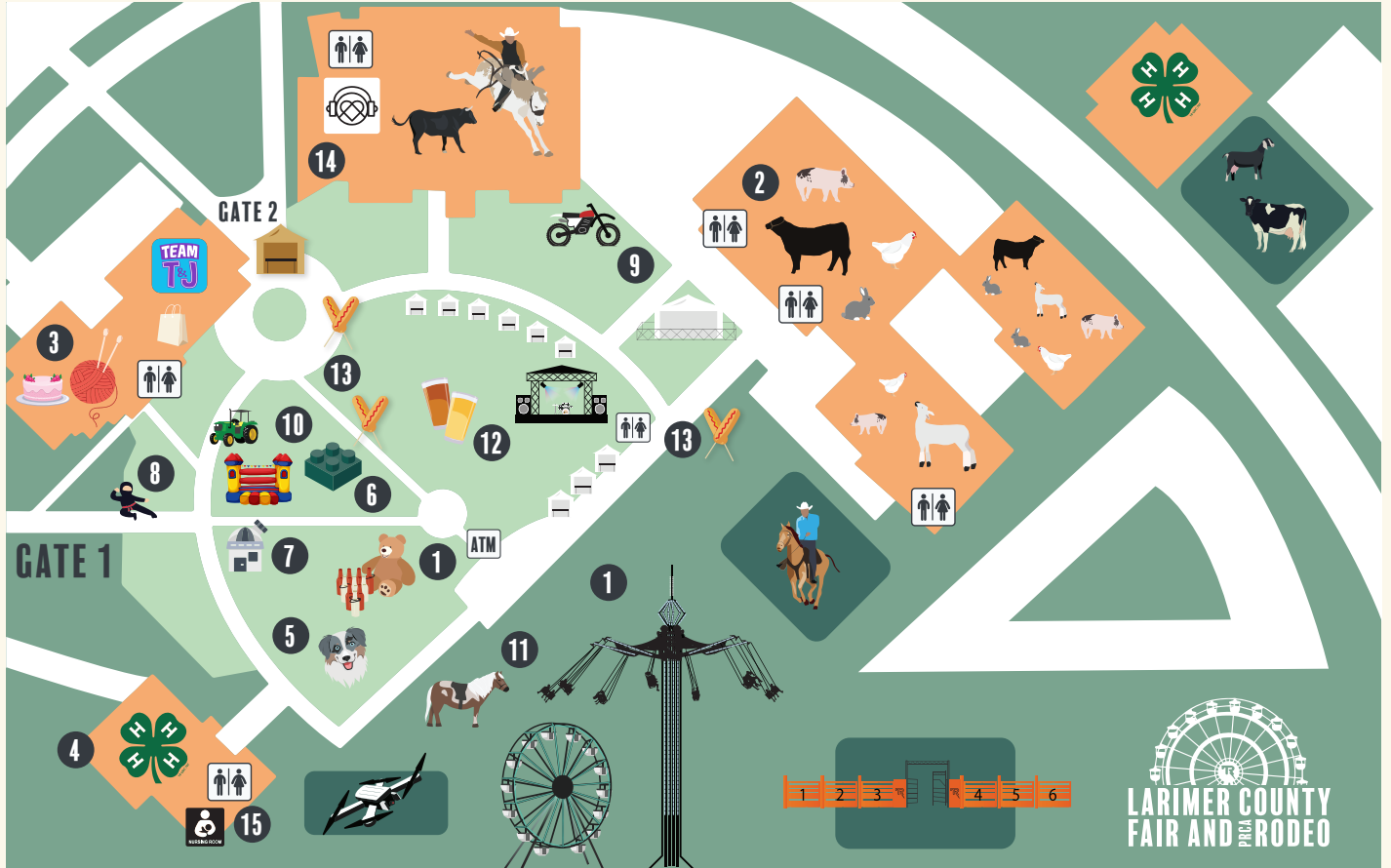


= INTERACTIVE
































= STRONG SMELL

# 2025 SENSORY FAIR MAP



## MAP KEY

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| 1. Carnival Americana   <b>4</b>   | 9. CVMBS & Clean Energy Lab     <b>3</b> |
| 2. The Ranch Equestrian Center    <b>5</b>      | 10. Bounce Houses   <b>4</b>   |
| 3. Pedersen Toyota Center South - Open Class Exhibits  <b>3</b>   | 11. Pony Rides & Petting Zoo   <b>3</b>  |
| 4. McKee Building - 4-H Exhibits  <b>3</b>  | 12. Watering Hole  <b>3</b>   |
| 5. The Canine Stars  <b>4</b>   | 13. Food  <b>3</b>  |
| 6. The Ranch Blocks    <b>3</b>                 | 14. Sensory Room  <b>1</b>  |
| 7. Mobile Earth + Space Observatory    <b>2</b> | 15. Nursing Mothers Room  <b>1</b>  |
| 8. Ninja Nation    <b>3</b>                     |  |





# SENSORY ROOM

The Price Fund Sensory Room provides a dedicated space designed by medical professionals for those who may need a quieter and more secure environment.

This is imperative to ensuring fans have a great guest experience. The sensory room is outfitted with bean bags from Yogibo, the visual light panels by Nanoleaf, activity panels, Sparkle Interactive Light (by NunoErin - a therapeutically fun furniture embedded with soft glowing lights that respond to motion), bubble walls, and a custom tactile artwork created by an autistic artist.

The sensory room is located on the event level of Blue Arena and will be open for the duration of the Larimer County Fair and PRCA Rodeo.

**Friday, August 1: 4PM - 8PM**

**Saturday, August 2: 11AM - 8PM**

**Sunday, August 3: 11AM - 6PM**

Doors for the PRCA Rodeo are at 6:00pm. A ticket for the PRCA Rodeo would be needed to access the room after 6:00pm

**Monday, August 4: 2PM - 6PM**

Doors for the PRCA Rodeo are at 6:00pm. A ticket for the PRCA Rodeo would be needed to access the room after 6:00pm

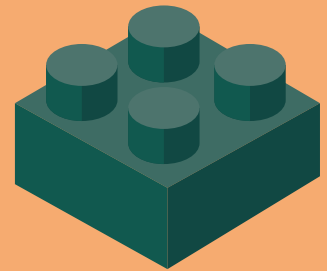
**Tuesday, August 5: 4PM - 6pm**

Doors for the PRCA Rodeo are at 6:00pm. A ticket for the PRCA Rodeo would be needed to access the room after 6:00pm

# EXHIBITS

## THE CANINE STARS

Here I can see the dogs as they perform tricks. There will be many different types of dogs. Some will be little and some will be big. They will jump and run. When they get excited the dogs will bark. I can watch and cheer when the dogs finish their tricks.



## THE RANCH BLOCKS

At this exhibit, I can build with the blocks. I can see how tall I can stack the blocks, or try to make an object. I can choose the colors and shapes of blocks I want to use. I can ask for help if I have trouble getting my blocks where I want them to go. There will be other children to play and share with.





# MOBILE EARTH + SPACE OBSERVATORY

Here I can learn about science. I can observe the things happening on earth and in space! I can use the tools and machines to explore. I need to follow the instructions of the people in charge and the other adults so I can use the machines safely and correctly.



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# HOUSE OF BUTTERFLIES

Here I can see the beautiful butterflies and flowers. I can see that there are different types of butterflies that come in many colors. The butterflies will fly around me and may even land on me! I can learn about how butterflies grow up.



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# NINJA NATION



This is my chance to go through an obstacle course! I will wait my turn in line. When it's my turn, I can go fast or I can go slow. I can climb, crawl or walk. I should be careful on the obstacles. If I get stuck or have trouble, I can ask for help. My family can stand on the side and cheer me on.



# BOUNCE HOUSES

In the Bounce Houses I can play. I will notice that the floor is bouncy and I may lose my balance. If I fall, I can bounce up again. This is a good place to jump around and use my energy. I should listen to the adults and stop bouncing if they ask me to, so everyone can be safe and have a good time.

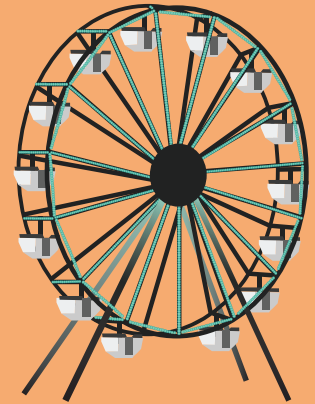


# CARNIVAL

There are many rides and games I can try at the carnival. Some will take me up in the air, and others might make me move or spin! Each is different, and I can ask if I want to know more about something. I should tell an adult if I feel overwhelmed.

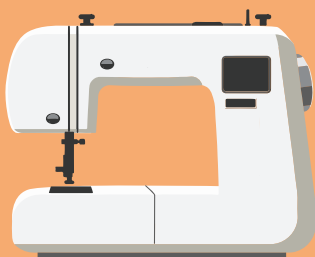


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# OPEN CLASS

At the Open Class Exhibits, I can see all of the projects that people have made to show at the fair. I can see flowers and vegetables, arts and crafts, yummy foods, and much more! I can look up towards the ceiling to see the quilts. Everything I see has been handmade by people in my community. They bring them to the fair to see who is the winner. I can see who has the best projects because they have blue ribbons on them. I will keep my hands to myself and use my listening ears and looking eyes to enjoy the exhibits!



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# LIVESTOCK



In the barns, I can see and learn about the animals. There are many types of animals that come to the fair. The barn will be loud with people talking and animals making sounds. There will be new and different smells in the barns. I will try to keep myself calm if I am overwhelmed. I can ask for help if I need it. The people bathe and brush their animals so they look their best at the show. They will show their animals and win prizes such as ribbons and trophies. I should not touch the animals unless their owner is there and gives me permission. I should wash my hands when I leave the barn.

## CATTLE

There are two types of cattle at the fair. The first type is Beef Cattle. These cattle are raised for meat, such as hamburgers and steaks. The second type is Dairy Cattle.

These cattle are different breeds than Beef Cattle.

The cows are milked to make products such as cheese, butter and ice cream!

## GOATS

Just like cattle, some goats are raised for dairy products, and some are raised for meat. The goat's milk can be used to make things other than food, such as soap. I can see that some have horns and some don't!



## **SHEEP**

Sheep are raised for meat, as well as wool. Wool is the sheep's hair on its body. I can see how soft and fluffy they look.

## **PIGS**

Pigs are big animals, and may weigh between 300 and 700 pounds! At the Fair, they might also call the pigs "swine" or "hogs". I will see that pigs come in different colors, not just pink!

## **RABBITS**

The rabbits are the smallest animals I will see at the fair. I can see that many are different colors and much bigger than the wild rabbits I see outside at home. Some of these rabbits will be used in the Dress a Bunny exhibit. Can you recognize any of the show rabbits when they're dressed up?

## **POULTRY**

Poultry are birds like chickens, turkeys, and geese. At the Fair, I will see that they come in many colors and sizes. Some may make clucking, quacking, or gobbling sounds. They might flap their wings or move around a lot.

## **HORSES**

At the Fair, I will see many horses. Some are used in the performances that take place during the Fair, including the Rodeo. Some are ridden by the police officers that are at the Fair to help keep people safe.



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# 4-H EXHIBITS

I can see the projects that the 4-H kids have worked on throughout the year. They are detailed and have lots of information about what they've learned. I can read the posters or look at the projects. I will keep my hands to myself in this exhibit so I keep everyone's projects safe.

