Take a Wis-cation this Summer to a Fair

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MADISON – Take a Wis-cation this summer to one of the state's local, county, district or state fairs. The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) has released the 2012 Wisconsin Fairs Entertainment Schedule.

The schedule lists an assortment of entertainment at a low cost. Many fairs host free family entertainment with admission including jugglers and magicians. Some fairs have free music stages with local entertainers and big stage acts with national stars.

Fairs offer educational and social activities for the entire family. Fan favorites return including tractor pulls, demo derbies, bake-offs and singing competitions. Assorted carnival rides and games are available at fairs across the state. Cheer on the state's youth during 4-H and FFA judging or make a bid during one of the livestock auctions.

Wisconsin fairs run this summer from June through September. By visiting one of Wisconsin's fairs, you support the exhibitors, community and economy. More than 3 million people attended 76 fairs in Wisconsin during 2011.

The schedule is online at <u>http://datcp.wi.gov/uploads/Programs/pdf/FairEntertainment.pdf</u> and is also available at Travel Information Centers across the state. The information is compiled by DATCP and the Wisconsin Association of Fairs.

For questions about the Fair Entertainment Schedule, contact 608-224-5116. You can also connect with DATCP on Twitter at <u>twitter.com/widatcp</u> or Facebook at <u>facebook.com/widatcp</u>.

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