Fair and Carnival

State, county and local fairs and carnivals are part of Indiana summertime tradition.

Remember a few simple tips to make a day at the fair more enjoyable.

Health and Safety Tips

- Make sure you drink plenty of water to stay hydrated.
- Wear closed toe shoes, not flip-flops or sandals, to protect your feet.
- Wash your hands after petting animals, especially before eating.
- Keep a watchful eye on children. It's easy for children and caregivers to become separated in large crowds.
- If you do become separated from your child, notify local security immediately.
- Teach children to stay where they are if they are lost.

Amusement Ride Safety Tips

- Don't board a ride if you see signs of improper maintenance, an inattentive operator or something else that doesn't look safe. Report your observations to the ride operator or call the **IDHS amusement ride hotline at 1-888-203-5020.**
- Every ride should have a prominently displayed, current permit issued by IDHS. The permit is about the size of a business card and is typically located at the operator's station. Permits are good for one year. If the ride has no such permit, or the permit has expired call the amusement ride hotline.
- Read all posted rules and listen to instructions given by ride operators.
- Always use the safety equipment provided.
- If a ride stops temporarily due to mechanical failure or other reasons, stay seated and wait for an operator to give you further instructions.

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