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NC State Fair announces 2021 Farm Families of the Day

RALEIGH – The N.C. State Fair is honoring farm families in a brand-new way this year through their Farm Family of the Day program. The program, sponsored by Tractor Supply Company, seeks to recognize and celebrate our state’s rich agricultural heritage and 11 farm families that represent our state’s \$95.9 billion agriculture and agribusiness industry.

“The State Fair’s earliest beginnings sought to elevate the understanding of new agricultural practices and technology. Today, one of agriculture’s biggest challenges is helping people make the connection between farming and the food they enjoy,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. “Farm families tell that story the best because they are out there every day working hard to grow the food, fiber and fuel we need. We are looking forward to recognizing 11 of these families at the State Fair.”

The families were nominated either by family or community members for their hard-work and dedication to our state’s No. 1 industry, as well as their overall love for the N.C. State Fair. The lucky winners were chosen at random. Each farm family is assigned a specific day of the 2021 N.C. State Fair, taking place Oct. 14-24, where they will be honored through public address announcements and on-grounds signage, as well as being featured on both the N.C. State Fair and the NCDA&CS blogs and social media platforms. Follow along on those outlets to learn about each farm and what made them stand-out candidates for this year’s Farm Family of the Day program. Each family also received an N.C. State Fair prize pack, including fair tickets to

use on any day of their choosing. Congratulations to all the winners and we look forward to seeing you at the 2021 N.C. State Fair!

The 2021 N.C. Farm Families are as follows:

- Thursday, Oct. 14: Gillis Family Farm, Fayetteville
- Friday, Oct. 15: Haynes Farm, Dobson
- Saturday, Oct. 16: Cottle Farms, Faison
- Sunday, Oct. 17: Linebergers Maple Springs Farm, Dallas
- Monday, Oct. 18: Wadsworth Acres, Carthage
- Tuesday, Oct. 19: Faith Family Farm, Prospect Hill
- Wednesday, Oct. 20: Ogburn Berries and Produce, Willow Springs
- Thursday, Oct. 21: Jackson Farms Produce, Saint Pauls
- Friday, Oct. 22: Conrad Farms, Cary
- Saturday, Oct. 23: Kee-Lang Farms, Trenton
- Sunday, Oct. 24: Hoggard Farm, Ahoskie

The 2021 N.C. State Fair is slated for Oct. 14-24 at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. The fair offers an experience unique to North Carolina and is a great value with free entertainment, thrilling rides and games, thousands of animals, endless family activities, competitions, vendors and creative deep-fried delights. For more information, visit www.ncstatefair.org or connect on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @ncstatefair.