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Dear Educator:

Nassau County proudly hosts the Long Island Fair each fall at the Old Bethpage Village Restoration. As the official New York State-sanctioned County Fair for Queens, Nassau, and Suffolk counties, it is held on the re-created historic Mineola Fairgrounds at Old Bethpage and features the best of old-time county fairs.

Thousands of exhibits are entered to compete for blue ribbons in categories such as culinary, horticulture, livestock, needlework, and hobbies. In addition, a variety of performers and demonstrators will provide traditional entertainment including musicians, jugglers, magic shows, mime, contra dancing, and craft demonstrations. The Campbell Livestock Building will be home to a variety of farm animals with educational displays and demonstrations.

The historic Old Bethpage Village Restoration will also be available for touring during the Long Island Fair, as it is for most of the year.

I am writing to invite your school community to join me at the 2022 Long Island Fair, where students and staff will experience a Long Island tradition that is host to one of New York State's oldest continuing agricultural fairs.

This year I encourage you to make your class trip even more extraordinary and have your students enter their art, handcrafts, or culinary goods in the Junior or Young Adult Departments. It is a great way for your class to become an active participant in the fair.

Currently, school reservations are being accepted for Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Please call 516-572-8409 to reserve your class visit. Additional information about the Long Island Fair can be found by visiting [www.lifair.org](http://www.lifair.org).

I hope you will be able to join me!

Sincerely,

Bruce A. Blakeman  
County Executive