



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Gary W. Black, Commissioner

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Dear Educator,

We are pleased to announce that the Baby Barn will be returning for the 2019 Georgia National Fair. The Georgia Department of Agriculture has partnered with the Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter, Georgia Veterinary Medical Association, University of Georgia Veterinary School, University of Georgia Extension and Extension Veterinary Medicine to bring you the Georgia Grown Baby Barn. Through this unique educational attraction, students will have the opportunity to experience the miracle of life as they witness live births of calves and see newborn piglets on display during the 2019 Georgia National Fair.

As you plan your trip to the fair this year, we encourage you to plan a visit to the Baby Barn to learn about the birthing process, the importance of animal agriculture and veterinary science. Your students might even have the opportunity to watch calves take their first steps and participate in selecting a name for each newborn animal. Related standards are enclosed in this packet and can also be found at GGatthefair.com. Please note that live births are expected to occur daily during the 11 days of the fair, but we cannot be certain that a birth will take place during your scheduled visit. To assist with planning, notifications regarding the Baby Barn will be sent through the Georgia National Fair app, which can be downloaded from georgianationalfair.com.

The Baby Barn joins the already existing educational journey through Georgia's vast agricultural landscape in the Georgia Grown Building, including Georgie's Farm, an interactive adventure that allows students to follow their food from the farm to fork!

From the Baby Barn to Georgie's Farm, the Georgia Grown Building offers an endless amount of educational resources and ideas for you and your students. There's no shortage of hands-on activities to effectively engage your students, feed their imagination, and grow their love for agriculture. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary W. Black', is positioned above the printed name.

Gary W. Black