

COVID-19: Protecting Our Festival

The Chandler Chamber Ostrich Festival cares about the health and safety of our team members and communities. We are aware of the spread of COVID-19, and we are taking extra precautions to prevent the spread of the transmission. In addition, due to weather conditions the festival will delay its opening until 2 p.m on Friday, March 13. Please visit [OstrichFestival.com](https://www.ostrichfestival.com) for Friday's updated schedule of events.

We have been in contact with the governor's office and are following the [Maricopa County Health Department's instructions](#) and the [CDC guidelines](#).

Yesterday, Governor Doug Ducey was joined by Arizona Department of Health Services Director Dr. Cara Christ and Director of the Division of Emergency Management, Wendy Smith-Reeve who stated that, at this time, the state is not recommending that mass gatherings in Arizona be cancelled.

Based on this information, the Chandler Chamber Ostrich Festival will continue as planned. Our primary concern is and will always be the safety of our attendees and community. We, along with the Chandler Chamber of Commerce and the City of Chandler are monitoring the situation and following the guidelines set in place by the CDC and Maricopa County Health Department.

To ensure the health and safety of everyone, we are taking very specific on-site measures including:

- Adding hand-washing stations and hand-sanitizing stations throughout festival grounds especially in high-traffic, visible areas including entrances, exits, bathrooms and throughout the carnival midway.
- We will be cleaning and disinfecting the carnival midway rides and games multiple times a day throughout the weekend.
- Overseeing that all food safety guidelines are adhered to.
- We have placed additional signage throughout festival grounds informing attendees of the best methods to prevent the spread of germs.

We are encouraging guests that if for any reason, you do not feel well or have traveled internationally, please remain home.

We realize people have a choice and respect people's individual decisions. We are grateful for the community's support and are looking forward to a great weekend celebrating the amazing City of Chandler.

In addition, due to Mother Nature, the rain has made the festival grounds wet and slick. To provide more time for Tumbleweed Park to dry, the festival will delay it's Friday opening to 2 p.m. We kindly ask that you navigate damp areas carefully and at your own risk.

We look forward to seeing you at the Chandler Chamber Ostrich Festival.