

Bandera County Newsletter



April 2024

Deadlines at a Glance

Click the links for more information:



- APR 1 – [Salute to Excellence Awards Nomination DEADLINE](#)
- APR 1 – [Lockheed Martin STEM Scholarship DEADLINE](#)
- APR 1 – [Council Meeting 6:30PM](#)
- APR 1 – [Healthy TX Youth Ambassador Application DEADLINE](#)
- APR 1 – [2024 National 4-H Youth in Action Award DEADLINE](#)
- APR 2 – [Pioneer Meeting 7PM](#)
- APR 4 – [Vet Science Meeting 6:30PM](#)
- APR 4 – [Horse Club Meeting 6:30PM](#)
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- APR 15 – [2024 Horse Validation \(\\$10\) Fee Increase DEADLINE](#)
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- APR 20 – [Pipe Creek Lakehills Club Bake Sale](#)
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- APR 25 – [Bandera 4-H Scholarship Interviews](#)
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- MAY 1 – [2024 Texas 4-H State Roundup Registration OPENS](#)
- MAY 1 – [District 10 4-H Horse Show Registration OPENS](#)
- MAY 1 – [Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Application DEADLINE](#)

Are you Eclipse Ready? Please check out the resources below & remember to wear proper eye safety and never look directly at the sun/eclipse without proper certified solar glasses. Certified glasses should be labeled with "ISO 12312-2:2015".

- "NASA Science Live: How to Prepare for the April 8 Total Solar Eclipse" – [Video](#)
- Eclipse Service Project - [Link](#)
- Interactive Eclipse Google Map - [Link](#)

BANDERA COUNTY LIVESTOCK PROJECT KICKOFF

Bandera County Showbarn @ Mansfield Park

5:30 CATTLE Steers, Heifers and Dexter Project	5:45 SHEEP & GOATS Market Lambs and Goats - Breeding
6:00 SWINE Breeding and Market Swine	6:15 RABBITS & POULTRY Rabbits, Broilers or Turkeys
6:30 HORSE English, Western, Trail and Judging	

Arrive by 5:30 and learn about all of the projects! Each project area will have a short presentation and there will be additional time for questions and discussion after.

MORE INFO: 830-796-7755

APRIL 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Clover Kids 5:30PM Council Mtg 6:30PM	2 Pioneer Mtg 7PM	3 Shotgun Mtg 7PM Livestock Judging 6PM	4 Vet Science Mtg 6:30 Horse Mtg 6:30	5	6
7 Livestock Judging 2:30PM	8 Office Closed Total Eclipse	9	10 Bandera 4-H Scholarship Deadline Livestock Judging 6PM	11 Fashion Meeting 6:30PM	12	13
14 Livestock Judging 3:30PM	15	16 Rifle Mtg 6:30PM	17	18	19	20 Pipe Creek Lakehills 4-H Club Bake Sale
21	22 Lakehills Pipe Creek Mgt 6:30PM	23	24	25 Bandera 4-H Scholarship Interviews	26	27 Bandera 4-H Horse Play Day
28	29 Livestock Kickoff 5:30	30				

Mansfield Rec Hall | Extension Conference room | Lakehills Community Center | Show Barn | Extension office | Methodist Church

2023-2024 District 10 4-H Calendar

*Tentative dates are subject to change.

SPRING DATES

District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, March 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 19, 2024	
LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri, Mar. 20-22, 2024	
Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES	
April 9, 2024	• Leaders 4 Life (Seguin, TX)
April 10, 2024	• Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX)
April 15, 2024	• Livestock Judging
April 16, 2024	• Consumer Decision Making • Range/Pasture ID & Range Evaluation • Wool & Mohair Judging
April 17, 2024	• Share the Fun • Soil Judging
April 18, 2024	• Duds 2 Dazzle • Fashion Show & Natural Fibers
April 20, 2024	• Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)
April 26, 2024	• 4-H Storyboard <i>Results Released</i>
2024 Texas 4-H Congress Event Date: July 14-17, 2024	
All 4-H members (going into 9 th grade – through those who just graduated 12 th at the time of the event) must contact their County Office if they wish to be nominated for selection to attend Texas 4-H Congress.	
SPOTS STILL AVAILABLE! Contact your County Office to find out how to sign up!	
CONGRESS REGISTRATION OPENS: April 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 30, 2024 (\$425)	
LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 30, 2024 (\$500)	
BILL SUBMISSION CLOSES (4HOnline): May 30, 2024	
Information	Texas 4-H Congress Letter

SUMMER DATES

Texas 4-H State Roundup – College Station	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Wed., May 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Mon., Mar. 13, 2024	
LATE REGISTRATION:	
May 14 - May 15, 2024: Additional \$50 Late Fee	
May 16 – May 17, 2024: Additional \$250 Late Fee	
May 18 - May 31, 2024: Additional \$500 Late Fee	
Event Information & Helpful Links	
EVENT DATE: June 3-6, 2024	Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook 2024 Changes & Reminders College & Career Fair Registration Room Block Information Sponsorship Opportunities Schedule of Events (Tentative) Educational Workshops Series Texas 4-H Roundup - Buckle Blitz
District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues. May 14, 2024	
LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 15-17, 2024	
EVENT DATE: June 13, 2024	
District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024	
EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 28, 2024	
LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 29-31, 2024	
EVENT DATE: June 26-28, 2024	
District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Saturday, June 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 25, 2024	
LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri. June 26-28, 2024	
EVENT DATE: July 11, 2024 (*District 10 4-H Planning Meetings for Agents/Staff will be held July 10, 2024)	

CORE Academy – June 17-21, 2024 (**SCHEDULE**)

Information: The CORE Academy program is open to any 4-H member in the 9th-12th grade. The CORE Academy Mission is to bring awareness to an assortment of possible careers. These careers do not focus on any one discipline. Career tours can be anything from hospitality, tourism, manufacturing, STEM, criminal justice, culinary arts, agriculture & natural resources, to marketing and promotions. The objective is to expose the youth to careers and businesses that they may have never considered. Core Academy Application 2024 is **now open!** Deadline is April 15th! Click the flyer on the right for more details. To apply please go to: <https://forms.gle/Gjku1XEVGhtZuZwE8>
Don't forget to follow the CORE Academy Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CORE4H>



2024 District 10 4-H Horse Show

Registration Period: May 1 – 14, 2024

Late Registration Period: May 15 – 17, 2024

(*Late Registrations will be assessed a +\$50 late fee per exhibitor)

WHAT IS DISTRICT 10 4-H HORSE SHOW?

The District Horse Show is open to any 4-H member who has validated their horse during the horse validation period of the current 4-H Year. You can compete in events like western pleasure, hunter under saddle, and barrel racing, to name a few. The District 10 4-H Horse Show will be held June 13, 2024 at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center (1042 Event Center Drive, Dripping Springs, TX 78620)

MEMBERSHIP & AGE DIVISIONS

Participants must be 4-H members currently enrolled on 4HOnline and belong to a Texas 4-H Youth Development County program.

There are three age divisions for competition as outlined below. 4-H members' division is determined by their grade level by Aug. 31, 2023.

- Junior: 3rd - 5th
- Intermediate: Grades 6th - 8th
- Senior: Grades 9th - 12th

REGISTRATION PERIOD

Registration on 4HOnline (v2.4honline.com).

Regular Registration Period: May 1-14, 2024

Late Registration: May 15-17, 2024

NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MAY 17, 2024!



Reminders for 2023-2024:

District qualification will be removed; however, for safety reasons, futurity exhibitors must participate in the District 10 4-H Horse Show OR District educational clinic, or other equivalent event where futurity project is present. Participation will be verified by the County Extension Agent on the State 4-H Horse Show entry form.

Ownership Requirement Amendment: Lease horses will be allowed. Official Texas 4-H Horse Lease agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and County Extension Agent (Download Texas 4-H Horse Lease Agreement [HERE](#)). Lease period must include, at minimum, May 1st to August 31st of the current 4-H Year. The lease form must be uploaded to 4HOnline at validation. The objective in allowing lease horses is to make the show more inclusive for young horse enthusiasts who may not have the opportunity for horse ownership yet.

CONTEST GUIDE:



Other Texas 4-H Horse Updates

Texas 4-H Horse Show (July 21 –27, 2024)

Information: The Texas 4-H Horse Show committee has released the schedule for the 2024 Texas State 4-H Horse Show: [DOWNLOAD HERE](#). The growth in entries and number of horses that the show has experienced over the past 5 years prompted the recommendation to extend the show by one day. Other helpful links below:

- [2024 Horse Show Rules](#) [Hotels – Destination Bryan](#) [Hotels – Visit College Station](#)

Texas 4-H Roping School (June 16 –20, 2024) ([EVENT LETTER](#))

Information: The Statewide Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School will be held in Stephenville, TX. This event has been developed to encourage young people in 4-H to develop leadership skills and to exercise their abilities in working with younger members in roping activities in 4H. Participation is open to all districts of the state, with applications being accepted on a first come, first-serve basis with priority to those who are 12 years of age and older. The maximum number which can be accommodated is 50. **Registration closes on Friday, May 3rd (5PM)**

Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Program (FLYER)

Deadline: April 1, 2024

Information: Looking for a new way to engage high school youth in health education, nutrition and health projects, and leadership? If so, consider becoming a Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador County! Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador can assist county Extension agents in providing valuable health education to youth and adults within the community. Working alongside their agent, they can become a valuable part of the local Texas A&M AgriLife and Texas 4-H Youth Development team! To learn more about this exciting leadership opportunity please see the [Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Handbook](#) for details.

Where to Apply: <https://healthytexas.tamu.edu/resources/youth-ambassadors/>

Returning Ambassadors: All returning ambassadors must reapply and will be eligible to continue in the program pending approval and completion of their required annual hours.

Training Summit: ALL Ambassadors must attend the annual training summit. *There will be NO virtual or "last chance" summit offered in 2024.* The Summit will be held June 2-3, 2024 in College Station, TX during Texas 4-H Roundup. If accepted, Ambassadors must register for the Summit by May 15, 2024 (Estimated cost \$100).

Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine & Poultry Ambassador Programs

Deadline for all applications: April 15, 2024

Information: The Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine and Poultry Ambassador Programs are gearing up for another incredible year! See information below and consider identifying potential Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine and Poultry Ambassadors in your county and recruit them to the program. More details regarding the programs can be found at www.texasyouthlivestock.com. Questions? Email Kelley.Ranly@ag.tamu.edu

Selection Criteria:

- Senior level (grades 9-12) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding his/her livestock/equine/poultry projects.
- Students with a profound interest in animal/equine/poultry science, animal production & advocacy.
- Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others &
- Top 25% class rank

Application Process:

- Applications located at: <https://texasyouthlivestock.com/#>
- Students must input contact information of supervising County Agent for a recommendation.
- Selection committee will review the applications and accept up to 25 participants per short course.
- Applications are due April 15, 2024

Ambassador Programs Offered:

- Texas 4-H Poultry Ambassador [FLYER](#)
- Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador [FLYER](#)
- Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador [FLYER](#)

2024 Phase II and Phase III Offering (For Current Ambassadors ONLY):

- Texas 4-H Advocacy Academy, Austin – July 1-3, 2024
[2024 Texas 4-H Advocacy Academy Application \(Deadline: April 15, 2024\)](#)
- Texas 4-H Mountain West Agricultural Experience – July 27-August 6, 2024 - *dates tentative*
[2024 Mountain West Agricultural Experience Application \(Deadline: April 15, 2024\)](#)
- Mentor Applications for the 2024 Short Course or Advocacy Academy (**Deadline: April 15, 2024**)
 - [2024 Equine Ambassador Mentor Application](#)
 - [2024 Livestock Ambassador Mentor Application](#)
 - [2024 Poultry Ambassador Mentor Application](#)

Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program ([Application Instructions](#))

Information: Applications are now open to senior level (9-12 graders in 2024-2025 academic year) 4-H members for the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program. The 4-H Water Ambassadors Program will select up to 30 students for a minimum 12-month term of service. Those selected will participate in the 7-day Tier I 4-H2O Leadership Academy (tour) June 9-15, 2024, which includes hands-on experiential learning and covers a wide range of important water issues. Over the next year, water ambassadors commit to delivering at least 40 hours of education and service. Students will also engage in continuing education opportunities to broaden their understanding of water and equip them to share their knowledge with their local communities, clubs, schools, etc.

- Applications accepted March 15 – **May 1, 2024**
- Those selected are required to pay a \$300 program participation fee.
- Visit www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com/application for more details.

2024 Texas 4-H Horse Validation

Validation Period: March 1st – May 1st, 2024

Late Validation: May 2nd – 5th, 2024 (\$250 Validation Fee)



Information: 4-H exhibitors wishing to participate in the 2024 District & State Horse show must validate any horses that will be used in competition. ALL horses must be validated/re-validated each year. There is no limit to the number of horses that can be validated. You are encouraged to validate all horses that may possibly be shown at district and/or state shows. Only state validated horses can be substituted in the event that a validated horse becomes unusable due to lameness, sickness, etc.

VALIDATION ENTRY PERIODS & FEES

Families can submit payment by **credit card ONLY**.

- **From March 1 – April 15, the validation cost for each horse is \$10.00.** The \$10.00 cost is only guaranteed if the animal validation is approved by the county office by the April 15th deadline and the payment is processed.
- **From April 16 – May 1, the validation cost for each horse is \$20.00.** The \$20.00 cost is only guaranteed if the animal validation is approved by the county office by the May 1st deadline and the payment is processed.
- **From May 2-5, the validation cost for each horse is \$250.00.**

HOW TO VALIDATE YOUR HORSE:

Horse Validation will take place on 4HOnline. The family will receive an automated message from 4-H Online when the County Extension Agent has approved the horse at the county level. **This approval does NOT guarantee eligibility.** After it is approved at the county level, the validation will then be reviewed at the state level. The family will be notified by June 1st if there are any issues with the validation at the state level. We will begin to review validations at the state level on March 1st and will be working closely with families and agents to fix errors as quickly as possible prior to the validation deadline.

- [2024 Horse Validation Guidelines \(Families\)](#)
- [2024 Horse Validation Guidelines \(for CEAs\)](#)
- [Validation Walk-Through Guide for Families](#)
- [Validation Walk-Through YouTube Video](#)
- [Additional Resources/One-Pagers](#)

VALIDATION INSTRUCTIONS:

- Each validation must include front view, right side view, and left side view images. **The entire horse should be included in the photo and markings should be clearly visible.**
- **If the horse is registered, a copy of the registration papers must be uploaded.** These papers must list the 4-Her, sibling, parent, stepparent, grandparent or legal guardian as the current owner. If the ownership is in the process of being transferred, please list “pending” in the registration number area. Once the updated registration papers have been received, please deliver a new copy to your County Office.
- Image uploads in 4-H Online must be in the form of a .jpg, .gif or .png file.
- **Families should validate each horse only one time.** Once the horse is validated, any sibling within that family in 4-H Online is eligible to show the horse at their district show and/or the State 4-H Horse Show.
- **Youth validating a futurity horse must be at least 12 years of age (as of Sept. 1, 2023) and at least in the 6th grade.**

LEASE HORSES:

Lease horses are eligible to be validated and shown at District and State 4-H Horse Shows. An official Texas 4-H Horse Lease Agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and the supervising County Extension Agent. The lease period must include, at minimum, May 1st to August 31st of the current 4-H year. The lease agreement form can be found [HERE](#) or on <https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/> and must be uploaded in 4-H Online at the time of validation.

2024 4-H Beekeeping Essay

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/entomology/>

Essay Topic:

Varietal honeys

DEADLINE
Sunday, April 21, 2024
via 4HOnline



2024 4-H Beekeeping Essay **NEW**

Event Website: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/entomology/>

Information: The 2024 Texas 4-H Beekeeping Essay Topic has been announced! This year's topic is: **Varietal Honeys**. For this essay, a 4-H student should answer these questions: What makes a varietal honey? What are some unique varieties? How are some of the valuable varieties confirmed to be authentic (e.g., Manuka honey UMF and MGO)? What are some culturally or economically important varieties and why are they important? Contestant essays must be submitted to 4HOnline by 11:59 PM Sunday, **April 21, 2024**. This contest is open to any active 4-H Club members. The top three winners will be awarded a cash prize and the 1st place winner will be advancing to the National Contest. Please see the [RULES](#) for more information. [Click here for the National Contest Information.](#)

Salute to Excellence Awards

Deadline for Nomination: April 1, 2024

Information: The 2024 Texas 4-H Salute to Excellence Award Packet is now available [HERE](#). Nominations are now being accepted until **Monday, April 1, 2024**. Nominations must be submitted online through Formsite to recognize volunteers, donors, and AgriLife personnel for their continued commitment to the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program. These can be supporters (individuals, couples, businesses, organizations) who assist at the county, district, regional, or state level. The six recognition categories are:

- *Leader Legacy*
- *Citation for Outstanding Service*
- *4-H Alumni*
- *Commendable Service*
- *Meritorious Service*
- *Salute to Excellence*

HELPFUL LINKS:

- **Online Formsite Submission Link:** https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/form226/form_login.html
- **Texas 4-H Awards & Recognition Website:** <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/awards/>
- **Previous Winners:** [DOWNLOAD](#) (please ensure your 2024 nominees are not on this current list.)

LOCAL RECOGNITION: Honorees will be presented their awards locally through surprise celebration events and signs that award recipients can place in their front yards. **TAKE NOTE!** The target date to notify nominators is April 5th. The signs for the local surprise celebration are planned to be mailed on or around April 8th. **Plan to conduct the local surprise celebration sometime between April 15 – 30th.** The surprise celebration should be conducted during this time frame so that a statewide announcement can be made on or around May 1st. Please take high quality videos and photos from the surprise award presentation and submit to the State Office **by May 1st.**

STATE RECOGNITION: The Salute to Excellence Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at Texas 4-H State Roundup. Honorees will be recognized across the stage during the evening assembly. Each honoree will receive a luncheon ticket for himself/herself, plus one additional complimentary ticket to the award luncheon. All other guests, including Extension employees, are required to purchase a luncheon ticket for \$25.00 each. **RSVP and luncheon ticket purchases must be completed between May 1 and May 13.** Additional details will be shared with award recipients.

IMPORTANT DATES

Online Nominations accepted	By Monday, April 1, 2024
Notification to nominators	Around April 5, 2024
Local surprise celebrations	April 15-30, 2024
Upload photos/videos of surprise celebration	By May 1, 2024
Honorees to RSVP and pay for extra luncheon tickets	May 1-13, 2024
Salute to Excellence Luncheon in College Station	Wednesday, June 5, 2024; 11:45 am check-in



CEA & Volunteer Outdoor Education/Huning Project Training

Flyer: <https://d104-h.tamu.edu/files/2024/04/Outdoor-Statewide-scaled.jpg>

Information: Don't miss this great opportunity for agents & volunteers to introduce Outdoor Education Project into their 4-H Program. Please note that while those attending will be certified in different shooting disciplines, they will only be certified to teach for the Outdoor Education Projects and the Hunting Project **they will NOT be certified to coach traditional Shooting Sports.**

- **Date & Location:** May 22-23 in Alpine, TX
- **Registration Deadline:** 4HOnline Registration will CLOSE on April 30th!
- **Cost:** Program Fee is \$35
- **Lodging:** On your own; Hotel Parker offering rooms at \$107. Call: 432-837-110 & mention **TAMU Group**



What's Happening in Texas 4-H...

COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS ONLY

2024 District Gold Star Award Information



As we begin to close out our 2023-2024 4-H year, we would like to send all County offices information regarding Gold Star Award information. Please click this [ATTACHMENT](#) for the guidelines for Gold Star and the number of youth, that can be awarded this award in each county in the current year.

Once you have your selected Gold Star

Recipients: Please email the District office and include the name(s) and date you want on the certificates. Please give us enough time to get the certificates printed and framed (minimum of 2 weeks notice). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Natalie.Cervantes@ag.tamu.edu or Isabel.Hernandez@ag.tamu.edu.

Kimble County Invitational Contests

Kimble County 4-H Invitational contests will take place on April 13th, 2024. This year, they will offer: Grass ID, Range Evaluation, & Wool & Mohair Judging.

All contests are open to all 4-H and FFA members. If there are any conflicts on April 13th, contestants may compete in any of the contests during the afternoons of Thursday (April 11th) or Friday (April 12th) through prior notice/registration.

More details and the official flyer will be posted soon. However, attached is the [AGENDA](#) for each of the contests. Please contact Alex.Lopez@ag.tamu.edu with questions.

Sonora Invitational Judging Contests & Fleece Show- April 6, 2024

Sutton County invites all 4-H members to the Sonora Invitational 4-H Judging Contests on April 6, 2024. Youth may enter: Grass ID, Range, Wool & Mohair.

Youth may also enter their annual Fleece Show Please pass this on to your Breeding Sheep or Angora Goat exhibitors who might submit entries to our fleece show. Entry forms below:

- [2024 Sonora Fleece Entry Sheet](#)
- [Invitational Judging Team Entry Form](#)
- [Contest Schedule](#)

Email these forms to: p-hernandez@tamu.edu or Annette.Estrada@ag.tamu.edu; hard copies may be mailed to: **Sutton County Extension Office P.O. BOX 1047, Sonora, Texas 76950.**



Kerr 4-H Judging Contests

Kerr County 4-H Invitational Judging contests will take place on May 11th, 2024 at the Hill County Youth Event Center. This year, they will offer: Grass ID, Range Judging, Livestock Skillathon & Wool & Mohair Judging. More details [HERE](#). Please contact Jennifer.Smith@ag.tamu.edu with questions.



Helotes 4th Annual 3D Archery Shoot

Helotes 4-H invites all 4-H members to their 3D Archery Shoot on Saturday, April 20, 2024, at the [Helotes Ag Youth Ranch](#). Registration is accepted on the day of the event. Additionally, event sponsors are needed! Please check out the flyer (right) and sponsor letter [HERE](#).



Texas 4-H Roundup Buckle Blitz

This year, every contest Champion team member and High Point Individual will be honored with a buckle—208 in total! **We're seeking donors to support each buckle, and you can play a vital role.** Don't miss out on the chance to sponsor a Roundup buckle! [CLICK HERE TO BECOME A SPONSOR](#) or contact [Jana Barrett](#).





What's Happening in Texas 4-H...

IGNITE YOUR SERVICE

Our mission is to provide love, care, and support to animals in shelters by delivering essential supplies and goodies that bring them comfort and happiness.

We need YOUR help: We need the following districts to gather supplies !



District 1-2 : Bowls

District 3-8: Dry food

District 6-7: Cleaning supplies

District 4-5: Toys

District 9-11: Dawn Dish Soap

District 10-12: Treats



DATES

Tuesday: Tie blankets
Wednesday: Dog treats
Thursday: Care package

State 4-H Photography Contest

Deadline; April 15, 2024

The Texas 4-H Photography Contest encourages self-expression and allows youth to demonstrate skills learned in photography, including the use of photographic equipment and process of photographs. Senior 4-H members who place 1st in their category in their local County 4-H Photography contest are qualified to enter the State level contest.

Please see Rules & Guidelines [HERE](#)
Deadline to enter is April 15, 2024 on 4HOnline & Submittable.



NEW

Texas 4-H Roundup State Rifle Rule Updates

The State Shooting Sports office has updated the 2024 Indoor Rifle Match rules that will be effective at the 2024 State Roundup Rifle Match in Victoria, TX. If your team qualifies to compete in this event, please familiarize yourself with the rule updates. The rule updates affect challenges. Rules linked below:

- [Roundup Rifle Rules – REVISED 2024](#)
- [2024 Roundup Indoor Rifle Match Participation Information](#)

NEW

Crockett Invitational Wool & Mohair Judging Contest

Flyer: [DOWNLOAD](#)

You're Invited to Participate in the 2024 Crockett County Invitational Wool and Mohair Judging Contest on April 12, 2024 at the Crockett County AgriLife Extension Office in Ozona, TX.

Wool & Mohair Contest Schedule:
Registration: 9:30 AM to 10:00 AM
Contest: 10:00 AM

Awards: As soon as contest results are tabulated

Questions? Contact:

Dawson.Owens@ag.tamu.edu



"Agents Got Talent" is back! This event will take place Monday, June 3rd, following the At-Large Delegate speeches, in Reed Arena. Each of the 12 districts have the opportunity to submit 1 act to represent their district in Agents Got Talent. Acts have a time limit of 5 minutes and should consist of 1-9 members. Acts must be submitted using this [FORM](#) by

May 1st.

Texas 4-H Center Events

Register here: <https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/>

- [2024 Summer Camp Schedule](#)
- [Lone Star Splash Camp \(FLYER\)](#)
Event Dates: April 26-28. Registration will CLOSE April 5th.
- [Aperture Academy \(FLYER\)](#)
Event Dates: July 7-10. Registration is limited to 25 participants.





What's Happening in Texas 4-H...

Inbound International Exchange Program

Host a Japanese youth in summer 2024 through States' 4-H International & bring the richness of the world to your home. The hosting period is July 24-August 17. Youth to be hosted are ages 12-18. Host families must have a child of the same gender and within three years of age of the hosted youth.

Interested? Submit an application [HERE](#).



Veterinary Science Camp Opportunities

Keller 4-H would like to invite all 4-H members to their 4-H Veterinary Science Camp on April 20, 2024, in Springtown, Texas. Cost is \$50 (not including lunch). Registration is not completed until payment and waivers are received. Limited number of slots, so register early! [REGISTER HERE](#).

Contact sanci.hall@gmail.com with questions.

4-H Vet Science Camp ([FLYER](#))

Event Date: April 20, 2024

Entry Deadline: April 1, 2024 by 5pm

Camp Fee: \$50

4-H Vet Science Photography Contest ([FLYER](#))

Event Date: April 20, 2024 (Turn in photos at camp)

Cost: \$3 per category or \$10 for all 5 categories.

Texas A&M University College of Ag & Life Science on Tour!

The Texas A&M University College of Ag and Life Science is home to 15 departments and various degree programs in the agriculture industry, business, medicine, law, conservation, scientific research, public policy and many others.

This year, the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences will be hosting the **AGLS on Tour series**.

AGLS on Tour is a multi-city road tour designed for recently admitted students, including those in Aggie Gateway to Success and Texas A&M-Blinn TEAM, as well as local prospective students eager to explore the college. To register for AGLS on Tour, please visit tx.ag/AGLSinvite. See the flyer [HERE](#) for more information about the upcoming events.

4-H IDEA Summit

A group of young 4-H alumni from around the nation are collaborating on the IDEA Summit scheduled for April 11-12th in Seattle, Washington. I.D.E.A is a 2-day event featuring engaging professional development workshops on Friday and youth programming on Saturday. The focus is embracing intersectionality through inclusion, diversity, equity, and access. The summit is open to high schoolers from all states. More information for registration is coming out soon! Click image below for details:



Landscape Design Contest

Contest Date: June 3, 2024

Join us for the Texas 4-H Landscape Design Contest June 3, 2024, in College Station, hosted by the Texas A&M University Horticulture Department. Learn more about the contest by [clicking here](#).

TEXAS 4-H LANDSCAPE DESIGN

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Tom Green 4-H Shooting Sports Events

Tom Green 4-H 3-D Archery Shoot: Fees to participate are: Youth (\$15) & Adults (\$25). This event will be held on April 6th at the Tom Green 4-H Shooting Sports Complex. Please [DOWNLOAD](#) the event flyer for the upcoming event. Please pre-register through the county webpage at the following [LINK](#).

Tom Green 4-H Whizbang: The Tom Green 4-H Whizbang and Clay Shoot will be May 10th – 11th. This event is **limited to 60 shooters** and will cost \$225 per shooter for youth members. Adult division will cost \$100. Register on [iClays HERE](#).