May 9, 2016

To: Texas 4-H Roundup Participants and Family

Subject: Texas 4-H Roundup Registration

Congratulations! Your presentation and participation at District 4-H Contests makes you eligible to participate at Texas Roundup. We recognize the extra effort it took on your part to plan, prepare and present a demonstration or talk. You earned the right to represent Bexar County and District 10 by being the best. Texas 4-H Roundup will begin Monday, June 6 through Thursday, June 9, 2016. Texas Roundup will be at Texas A&M University, College Station. Please review the registration information enclosed carefully. Registration will be conducted on 4-H Connect. Deadline to register is May 18th.

Please check your calendar and make sure there are no conflicts with the date(s) of the contest you will be competing in at Texas 4-H Roundup.

If you are not planning on attending Texas 4-H Roundup, please give our office a call as soon as possible, in order to give the next placing member a chance to go to Roundup.

**Intermediates will be allowed to attend Texas 4-H Roundup**
Texas 4-H Roundup is being opened to intermediate aged 4-H’ers (grades 6th - 12th). However, intermediates will be allowed to participate only in a limited number of invitational style contests and workshops. These invitational contests and workshops will take place on Tuesday, June 7th and Thursday, June 9th, and are listed below. Rules and guidelines are in the 2016 Texas 4-H Roundup Guide at [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/roundup](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/roundup).

- 4-H Walk / Run
- Swine Quiz Bowl
- Livestock Skill-a-thon
- Invitational Meats Judging
- Poultry Judging
- Agriculture Products Identification Contest
- Hippology
- 4-H Has Talent
- Discover Scientific Method: Science, Engineering, & Technology Poster Competition
- Robotics Challenge
- Recipe Rally
- Invitational Livestock Judging
- Healthy Lifestyles Invitational
- Wildlife Challenge
- Veterinary Science Skill-a-thon
- Archery

Registration should be done by you on 4-H Connect. Registration will be available through Wednesday, May 18th. Payment should be made by credit card.

4-H members that are being awarded a Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation Opportunity Scholarship are required to register for Texas 4-H Roundup. Registration is necessary for orientation and the scholarship assembly. Those 4-H scholars not registered will NOT be awarded a scholarship.
**Registration**

*All participants are required to pay a registration fee, both youth and adults. This is a requirement of the event application and insurance. *All contestants and scholarship recipients MUST pre-register using 4-H CONNECT.*

- **YOUTH-SENIOR** - Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12
- **YOUTH-INTERMEDIATE** – Grades 6, 7 and 8
- **YOUTH-JUNIOR** (Educational Opportunity Only) – Grades 3, 4, and 5
- **ADULT** - Parent, volunteer, chaperone, coach MUST be completed through 4-H CONNECT

**Adult Registration**

Parents, leaders, and coaches of eligible participants are allowed to register for Texas 4-H Roundup on 4-H Connect. All adults who plan on attending any part of a contest (i.e. coach or adult just coming in for the contest) are required to register. This is a requirement of the event application and insurance. Parents, leaders, and coaches can either register as a full-time attendee or a day attendee, and may do so on 4-H CONNECT or on-site.

**Full - Time Registration for Texas 4-H Roundup**

Cost: $ 30.00 for senior full time (If competing in qualifying contest you MUST select “Full time Participant”)

$ 30.00 for full time intermediate youth registration

$ 30.00 for full time adult registration

$ 20.00 for full time junior registration

*Additional $50 late fee plus regular fee = $70 or $80, will be imposed through May 23, 2016

**One-Day Registration for Texas 4-H Roundup**

Cost: $ 15.00 for one-day pre-registration (Senior, Intermediate and Adults)

$ 10.00 for one-day pre-registration (Junior)

**One-Day Onsite Registration for Texas 4-H Roundup**

Cost: $ 20.00 for one-day registration (Senior, Intermediate and Adults)

$ 15.00 for one-day pre-registration (Junior)

*On-site registration is not available for contestants (qualifying or invitational) or scholars. They must be pre-registered in 4-H Connect

The registration fee covers the cost of name tags, programs, printing cost, insurance, recreation events, security, computer user fees, facility rental and awards and allows you full access to all Roundup activities. Name tags must be worn throughout Texas Roundup for identification. The name tag is your ticket to the contest and dances.


**Reimbursement for Texas Roundup**

Partial reimbursement will be available for contestants and an adult parent who drive a youth to College Station. Reimbursement will include partial registration, partial parking fee, and $50 toward hotel or gas expense. Reimbursement is available for youth and adults who pre-register on 4-H Connect.
Parking Pass
Youth are not allowed to drive to Texas 4-H Roundup. Each adult needing a parking pass must purchase the pass on 4-H Connect at a cost of $15. If you order a parking pass, it will be available at check in at Roundup.

Youth Release Forms
All youth (participants, scholars and workshop participants) are required to fill out the following forms. These forms should be completed on 4-H Connect. Please print two copies from 4-H Connect, one for our office and one for you to show at check in. Please send your forms to our office by Tuesday, May 31st.
- Waiver, Indemnification and Medical Treatment form
- Consequences of Misbehavior form
- Code of Conduct form

Adults Release Forms
All adults (volunteers, parents, leaders and guests) are required to fill out the following form. These forms should be completed on 4-H Connect or are available on the Texas website at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Waiver-Indemnification-and-Medical-Treatment-Authorization-Form.pdf. Please print two copies from 4-H Connect, one for our office and one for you to show at check in. Please send your forms to our office by Tuesday, May 31st.
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Chaperone Selection
Each child will have to make a chaperone selection to complete the online process. If a parent or coach is attending, enter one of their names. If your parent or coach is NOT attending enter chaperone Natalie Cervantes.

Packet Pickup
Packet pick-up for Roundup 2016 will be held on the concourse level of Reed Arena near the main entrance. At this location, registered participants will pick up their registration packet. Parents, siblings, grandparents, and other relatives/friends that are attending for only one day, can register on-site at the on-site/information desk located in a specified location in registration area located at the main entrance of Reed Arena on the concourse level.

Registration will be open during the following times:
Monday, June 6, 2016  3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 7, 2016  7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 8, 2016  7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 9, 2016  7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

* All scholarship recipients and guests must register at the main Roundup Registration area located on the concourse level of Reed Arena near the main entrance. You can find the location by entering through the main doors of the arena.

Educational Workshop Participants
Youth who would like to attend Texas 4-H Roundup, but have not qualified in a contest, or is not a scholar, may participate in an educational workshop. If a youth individual registers for a workshop, it is a requirement that they attend. Those found not attending will be asked to leave and possibly not allowed to participate in future state/national 4-H events. Workshop descriptions are included in this letter.
Lodging
Adults and members will be staying off campus this year due to construction work being done on campus dorms. List of hotels is available here http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Roundup-Hotel-Room-Blocks.pdf. Hotels are filling up fast, please make your reservation as soon as possible.

Meals
Meals will be available at several locations on campus. Visit “Where to Eat?” at http://www.dineoncampus.com/tamu/show.cfm?cmd=menus for a complete list. All dining locations accept cash and major credit and debit cards. Hours of operation and menus vary.

Being on Time
While at Roundup you will be expected to be on time for the various activities. Make note of the dates, times and locations of your contests.

Keeping Updated
You can receive up-to-date happenings via the smart phone app to be released soon. This app will function in place of printed programs, so be sure to download to receive the most up to date information. You can also be kept up to date at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/ or https://www.facebook.com/texas4h or follow @Texas4h on Twitter and Instagram.

Dress Code
You are expected to dress appropriately for each activity. In general, clean, neat clothing should be worn to assemblies, dances and meals. If you place in the top three, you’ll be recognized on stage so bring a nice dress or dress slacks and tie. Cut-offs, halter tops or tank tops are not acceptable. All participants will be held to the Code of Conduct and dress code you signed when you registered for 4-H.

Saying Thank You
Donors spend a considerable amount of money to support contests and activities at Roundup. All participants are required to BRING thank you notes to Texas 4-H Roundup. A list of donors is available on the State website http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Thank-Yous-Roundup.pdf.

You are asked to fill out your thank you notes thanking the donors for their continued support of the contest. All thank you notes must be in a donor-addressed stamped and sealed envelope.

THANK YOU NOTES WILL BE COLLECTED PRIOR TO YOUR COMPETITION. You might bring a blank thank you card, an envelope and a couple of stamps with you in case you missed one of your contest donors.

Medication
If your child is on medication and will be taking it during Texas Roundup, please fill out the fillable form available at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Authorization-for-Dispensing-Medication.pdf and keep with you at all times:

T-shirt
Show your Texas 4-H Roundup Spirit. You can purchase a Texas Roundup T-shirt along with your registration on 4-H Connect. T-shirts are available for PRESALE ONLY through 4-H Connect. T-shirts are $13 per shirt. T-shirts will look like this……………….
Roundup Packing Check List
Check it once, check it twice. Packing check list is included in this letter.

Practice
There is a short time left to get ready for Texas Roundup. Get your posters, power point presentation, etc. ready. If you want to practice and receive some critiques, give us a call and schedule a time.

We are looking forward to a great week at Roundup. If you need additional information, please give us a call at 210/631-0400

Sincerely,

Natalie Cervantes
County Extension Agent -4-H
Bexar County
**Roundup Packing Check List**

- Appropriate clothes - Remember it is hot in June - (NO SHORT SHORTS)

- Appropriate dress for Awards Assembly (If you place in the top three--you'll be recognized on stage in front of all Roundup participants. A nice dress, dress slacks, tie is appropriate - NO FLIP FLOPS)

- Contest materials--double check posters, easel, flash drive, supplies and equipment. Be sure your name and county is on all materials. Carry in a plastic bag in case of rain.

- Rain wear/umbrella

- ALARM CLOCK

- Comfortable shoes--you will do a lot of walking

- Camera (optional)

- Spending money for meals, snacks and souvenirs

- A watch--getting places on time is crucial

- You may take a personal player with earphones

- Leave valuables at home (jewelry)

- You will have to carry items a long way & upstairs, please keep that in mind.
### WORKSHOPS

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<td><strong>Ag Product ID.. EASY as 1-2-3</strong> 1 ½ hours</td>
<td>Come join us for a hands-on workshop on what the Ag Product ID Contest is and hear from a County Extension Agent on how to put a team together! You will complete a mock contest. You will also learn about how to complete the scantron and where to find resources for the contest.</td>
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<td>Meredith Miller, D11 4-H Specialist Austin Voyles, Potter County Extension Agent</td>
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<td><strong>ATV RiderCourse</strong> 3 hours</td>
<td>Have FUN riding an ATV safely for 3 hours. We provide everything except clothing. You must take an online ECourse to participate, you'll get a nationally recognized completion certificate when finished and its required for riding an ATV on public land anywhere in the US.</td>
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<td>Carol Smith, TXTEAMM Program Coordinator Nick Smith, Board Member</td>
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<td><strong>The Basics of Dorper Sheep</strong> 2 hours</td>
<td>Will cover the basics of running Dorper sheep for commercial and show ring production. Will also cover breed characteristics for full blood animals and market lamb classification.</td>
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<td>Brad Roeder, Gillespie County Extension Agent Wesley Glass, Rancher Warren Cude, Dorper Association Rep Dr. Shawn Ramsey, Head of TAMU Sheep Dept. Dr. Reid Redden, Sheep &amp; Goat Specialist TAMU</td>
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<td><strong>Farm Service Agency : Youth Loan Workshop</strong> 1 hour</td>
<td>USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) is a government agency designed to walk with you through a lifetime of farming and ranching. From Youth Loans and Microloans to Disaster Assistance, FSA has programs to support Texas Aggies through it all.</td>
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<td>Judith Canales, USDA- Farm Service Agency Eddie Trevino, Texas FSA Loan Division Chief</td>
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<td><strong>Fishing Extravaganza</strong> 3 hours</td>
<td>Learn things to make you a successful fishperson! Fish sometimes escape us as anglers, join us during this session at 4-H Roundup to take some of the mystery out of fishing. Major areas that will be covered are Crappie, Catfish, and Bass!</td>
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<td>Brock Fry, Jasper County Extension Agent Willie Arnwine, Cherokee County Extension Agent Texas Parks and Wildlife</td>
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<td><strong>Food and World Culture</strong> 1 hour</td>
<td>America is one of the worlds leading producers of agricultural products, but what do American youth really know about the origins of the foods they eat. This workshop allows youth to learn what countries some of their favorite foods originated in.</td>
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<td><strong>International Opportunities in 4-H</strong> 1 hour</td>
<td>This workshop will provide information about International Opportunities available in Texas 4-H. Exchange Programs with Japan, International Study Tours and a new program called GLOBE -- Global Leadership Opportunities Beyond Education. Come check it out and expand your cultural awareness and understanding!</td>
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| **Meat Science Grilling Workshop**  5 hours (tentative)  
Dr. Davey Griffin, Professor and Extension Meat Specialist  
Dr. Dan Hale, Professor and Extension Meat Specialist | DETAILS COMING SOON!!!( |
| **Roundup Leadership JAM!**  2 ½ hours  
Dr. Darlene Locke, State 4-H Office and Council Advisor  
Members of the 2015-2016 Texas 4-H Council | Roundup Leadership JAM! brings an energetic, fun-filled experiential approach to learning about leadership, understanding of collaboration, communication, trust and support, leading and following. YOU will be totally in the driver’s seat as you complete the assignments. Both youth and adults can participate in Leadership JAM! Just be prepared for hands-on learning and FUN! |
| **Social Media Strategy**  1 hour  
Whitley Gammill, Hansford County Extension Agent  
Chelsey Eicke, Oldham County Extension Agent | Learn the basic social media skills to improve your social media game, get more likes, and reach your audience. Simple social media plays to keep in your play book that is guaranteed to help you win the game. |
| **Texas Turfgrass Industry**  3 hours  
Casey Reynolds, TAMU Soil & Crop Sciences  
Ben Wherley, Asst Professor  
Nick McKenna, Grounds Management  
Steven Chernosky, Golf Course Superintendent | This workshop will allow attendees to explore the many opportunities that exist in the turfgrass industry including tours of Kyle Field, Blue Bell Park, the Texas A&M University Campus Golf Course, and Turfgrass Research Lab. We will highlight the fields of plant biology, plant physiology, soil science, and others with regard to how they factor into careers in the green industry. |
| **Choose a Major – Change Your Future!**  1 hour  
Representatives from the Texas A&M Admissions, College of Agriculture & Life Sciences, and Blinn Community College | Navigating the college application process can be challenging. In order to maximize your time on campus, it is to your advantage to choose a major that suits your talent and interest. Join us for an interactive discussion about how to select the right path to get you on the road to accomplishing your professional goals. Members from Texas A&M Admissions and the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences will discuss helpful hints for the admission process. Blinn Community College will also join the conversation to talk about the path as a transfer student from a community college perspective. |
| **Scholarships & Financial Aid**  1 hour  
Department of Student Financial Aid | If you are considering college, knowing how to apply and secure funding is half the battle. Join the Department Student Financial Aid for a session on how you too can pay for college. Included in this session will be: types of aid available, how & when to apply for scholarships, documentation needed and more. |
| **HELP “ApplyTexas” College Essays Writing Workshop**  4 hours  
Edward Tarlton | Rising high school seniors, SIGN-UP for HELP Consulting’s hands-on “ApplyTexas” Essays Workshop to jump-start your college application process. This is not a lecture talking about how to write essays! It’s a high-impact, hands-on workshop where students will actually outline and create drafts of all 3 of their “ApplyTexas” essays. HELP’s final editing assistance is included, but will take place via email/online after the workshop. "You can either get HELP or compete against student who do!"  
**COST:** $300 BEFORE MAY 27TH, $350 AFTER AND AT ROUNDUP.  
To Register: First choose this workshop opportunity on 4-H CONNECT, then visit HELP’s website at (www.HELPconsulting.org) to pay and get workshop details.  
Registrants will receive confirmation of registration from HELP Consulting, Inc. |