



# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

## 4-H Office Information

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## DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

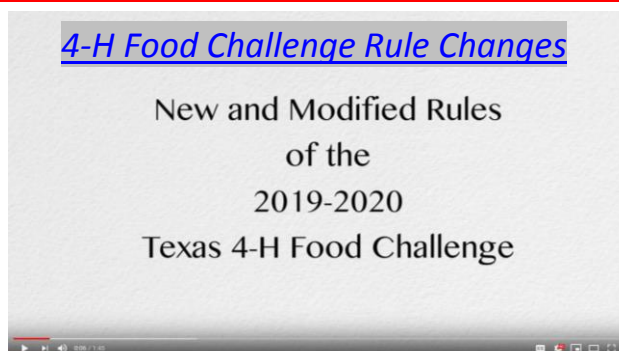
The following deadlines are approaching...

- **OCT 10 – Lamb & Goat Validation @ O'Connor HS**
- OCT 12 – [Judson FFA Lamb & Goat Prospect Show](#)
- OCT 15 – [TRAPS Program – Protecting Youth from Human Trafficking](#)
- **OCT 17 – Lamb & Goat Validation @ Madison HS**
- OCT 19 – Incredible, Edible Insect Event (Save the Date!)
- OCT 21 – [South Texas Double Trouble Prospect Show Deadline](#)
- **OCT 23 – Lamb & Goat Validation @ East Central HS**
- **OCT 23 – County Food Show/Food Challenge Entry DEADLINE**
- OCT 24 – County Recordbook Training @ Ext. Office – 6:30 PM
- OCT 25 – [Junior Leadership Retreat Early Registration Deadline](#)
- OCT 25 – [Nueces County 4-H Robotics Competition Deadline](#)
- OCT 26 – [Hill Country Livestock Judging Contest, Mason TX](#)
- **OCT 26 – Fall Heifer Validation @ East Central HS**
- OCT 29 – Scholarship Training @ Ext. Office – 6:30 PM
- **NOV 1- BCJLS Entry Deadline on ShowWorks**
- **NOV 1- Early Registration for Bexar 4-H Junior Shoot-Out DUE**
- **NOV 2 – County Food Show & Food Challenge Contest**
- NOV 2 – [Guadalupe County SumoBot Competition Deadline](#)
- NOV 2- [Build a Barn, Raise a Child Fall Festival](#)
- **NOV 9 – County Educational Presentation/Public Speaking Contest**
- **NOV 8 – Major Show Entries DEADLINE!**
- **NOV 12 – Swine Validation @ Gerlach Barns**
- **NOV 15 – BCJLS Hard Copies and Payments Due**
- NOV 15 – [SandHills Stock Show Entry DUE](#)
- NOV 16 – [Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Lamb & Goat Showdown](#)
- NOV 22 – [4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project Workshop Deadline](#)
- NOV 23 – [Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Swine Showdown](#)
- NOV 23 – [Bexar 4-H Junior Shoot-Out @ San Antonio Gun Club](#)
- NOV 25 – Junior Master Photography Training #2 DUE on 4-H Connect
- **NOV 26 – Swine Validation @ East Central**
- **DEC 4 - DEC 6 – District 10 FALL Roundup in Kerrville, TX**
- DEC 12 – District 10 4-H Virtual Conference (Save the Date!)
- DEC 31 - [SA Cactus & Xerophyte Society Youth Division Deadline](#)
- MAR 6 – [Norman Vestal Scholarship Deadline](#)
- MAR 15 – [TAMU Soil and Crop Science Scholarship Deadline](#)

# ⚠️ QUICK LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS! ⚠️

## Please read the following Important Reminders:

1. **TRAPS Program – Protecting Youth and Teens from Human Trafficking** – Reminder that on **October 15, 2019**, you are welcomed to participate in the TRAPS Program that helps families and teens recognize the tricks and lures of human traffickers. TRAPS is an interactive youth program developed by Traffick911 and geared toward youth ages 12 - 18 and parents. **Please RSVP by calling 210-631-0400. Ask for Chris.**  
**When:** Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, Bexar County Office  
3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 208  
San Antonio, TX 78230
2. **Academic Eligibility Reminder** – Reminder to all members for the new 4-H year that all competitive events will **require academic eligibility forms to be completed by 4-H members**. Even if the events take place on weekends, UIL rules state, you must be academically eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. It is your responsibility to follow through and take the form to your school for them to check if you are academically eligible to participate in the event. **Due date to return the form to our office will ALWAYS be at the top of the form**. You are responsible for accounting for the days you are absent from school. The 10-day absence limitation is clearly defined in the UIL Rules - Texas Administrative Code 97.113. It is imperative that you be aware of and adhere to the requirements.
3. **Major Show updates are available online for most shows.** Remember to reference the premium list and pay attention to animal health requirements.
  - a. Fort Worth – [www.frssr.com](http://www.frssr.com)
  - b. San Antonio – [www.sarodeo.com](http://www.sarodeo.com)
  - c. San Angelo – [www.sanangelorodeo.com](http://www.sanangelorodeo.com)
  - d. Houston – [www.hlsr.com](http://www.hlsr.com)
  - e. Austin – [www.rodeoaustin.com](http://www.rodeoaustin.com)
4. **2020 Fort Worth Calf Scramble Information:** The Calf Scramble is an incredible opportunity for 4-H members. The Calf Scramble program gives youth an opportunity to catch a calf during the stock show in order to earn a voucher to purchase and show a livestock animal at the show. If you have interested 4-H members, check out the 2020 Applicants page at: <https://www.fwssr.com/calf-scramble-2020-applicants> Rules and Entry Applications will be available October 1st. Your 2019 Winners can access important reminders to stay on track and check on upcoming dates and deadlines at: <https://www.fwssr.com/calf-scramble-2019-winners>
5. **2019 Bexar 4-H Junior Shoot-Out:** The Seventh Annual Bexar 4-H Junior Shoot-Out will be held Nov. 23, 2019 (Saturday) at the San Antonio Gun Club. Registration is LIMITED to the first 180 shooters! Please inform any of your shooting sports club members. Shooting information located [here](#), Flyer [here](#), and [registration link](#).
6. **NEW INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEOS FOR YOUR MEMBERS! Click to Play!**





# 4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS



## 2019 Major and County Show Validation Dates & Location

*Note: Parents and exhibitors are asked to be available during validation in order to complete required paperwork. Parents must be present or have completed a parental waiver form in advance.*

### Fall Heifer Validation

- ❖ October 26<sup>th</sup> – 9-11 am East Central

### Lambs and Goats Validation

- ❖ October 10<sup>th</sup> – 3:30-6 pm O'Connor
- ❖ October 17<sup>th</sup> – 3-6 pm Madison
- ❖ October 23<sup>rd</sup> – 5-7 pm East Central

### Major Show Entry Deadline

- ❖ November 8<sup>th</sup> – Bexar Ext. Office

### Swine Validation

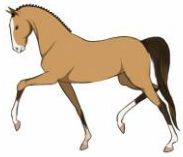
- ❖ November 12<sup>th</sup> – 3-5:30 pm Gerlach
- ❖ November 26<sup>th</sup> – 3-6 pm East Central

### Scheduling Project Visits

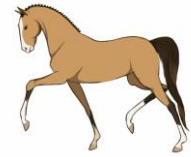
Sam is available and happy to assist families with their animal projects if they have questions or need help. Sam would like to see as many projects as possible before show season. Please give Sam a call (210.631.0400) to get your project visit scheduled. Additionally you may also reach him at [Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu)



# 4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS



## 2019 Bexar County Horse Show Schedule



- November 2 , 2019 Performance classes
- November 3, 2019 Speed classes
- December 7, 2019 Hunter/Jumper Show
- January 11, 2020 Stock horse/Ranch Show (no cows)
- February 29, 2020 Hunter/Jumper Show
- March 28, 2020 Performance classes
- March 29, 2020 Speed classes

**All shows are held at the Guadalupe County Fair Grounds in Seguin.**

More information about show schedules and registration is available on the [Bexar County 4H Horse Leaders facebook page.](#)

## **Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders Meetings**

- **Information:** The Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders will be meeting once a month to help plan and execute fun Horse activities and events for members across the County. This is an excellent volunteer opportunity for both adults and youth! Please see the meeting dates below and attend if you'd like to join. **Meetings are held at the Bexar County 4-H office (3355 Cherry Ridge Dr., S-208, San Antonio TX 78230) @ 6:30 PM. Questions? Contact Melanie Wilcox-Faulkner at [MelanieDVM@satx.rr.com](mailto:MelanieDVM@satx.rr.com)**
  - October 14, 2019
  - November 18, 2019
  - December 16, 2019
  - January 20, 2020
  - February 17, 2020
  - March 16, 2020
  - April 20, 2020
  - May 18, 2020
  - June 15, 2020
  - July 20, 2020
  - August 17, 2020

## **Quality Counts**

- **Information:** This is a reminder that Quality Counts verification is **required for all major livestock show entries this year, including State Fair of Texas and Heart 'O Texas Fair**. This verification needs to be completed *prior* to livestock show *entry*. County and local shows may also require Quality Counts completion, so be sure to check show rules. There are some very important updates and reminders below that will affect the verification process for your exhibitors, so please read carefully. Also please check out our [FAQ sheet here](#) for more answers!
- **\*Important:** There are **[NEW ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTIONS LOCATED HERE](#)**. These are different than the ones distributed last year, so please discard any previous instructions and use the attached. You can always point exhibitors here for more info: <https://texasyouthlivestock.com/quality-counts/> Note: These new instructions **will not affect** any exhibitors who have previously completed or are currently working on the curriculum/exam.
- **\*Important:** Please always encourage your livestock exhibitor families to use **Mozilla Firefox™** internet when completing the Quality Counts curriculum and exam. This program is best suited for our system and will ensure a smooth experience.
- **\*Important:** New this year, we have a helpdesk in place to help assist with any technical concerns regarding the Quality Counts curriculum site. These folks are prepared to help with computer/system related problems, such as potential glitches in the course users may experience. They can also help with passwords and other login information. They can be reached here: [learnonline@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:learnonline@ag.tamu.edu)
- **\*Important:** Exhibitors only need to be verified **once** as a Junior (grades 3-5), **once** as an Intermediate (grades 6-8), and **once** as a Senior (grades 9-12). **Exhibitors do NOT have to complete the curriculum/exam every year.**
- Based on feedback from last year Quality Counts is now hosted on a new curriculum platform that should serve more appealing for exhibitors and their families. This includes some things like: improved junior content that is more suitable to this audience, a reduced registration process, and enhanced learner experience features. **Because of this, even if a user created an account last year and are enrolling in a new grade category, they will need to create a new account. This is because we transitioned websites for improvements.**

## **LATE Major Swine Tag Orders**

- **Information:** Late Major Swine tags are still available at \$25 per tag. Any questions regarding tag orders should be directed to [Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu). REMINDER! County tags should be purchased ON SITE at validation for \$2 each.

[Swine Tag Form DOC](#)

[Swine Tag Form PDF](#)

## **NEW Swine Breed Classification Guidelines**

- **Information:** This series of guidelines is a collaboration by the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association, Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas, Animal Industries Committee, Texas FFA, Texas 4-H and Texas Pork Producers Association. <https://agriflife.org/bexarcountry/files/2019/08/2019-2020-Final-Swine-Classicication-Doc.pdf>

## **LATE Major Lamb & Goat Tag Orders**

- **Information:** Late Major Lamb and Goat tags are still available at \$40 per tag. Any questions regarding tag orders should be directed to [Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu). REMINDER! County tags should be purchased ON SITE at validation for \$2 each.
- [Tag Order Form \(Word Doc\)](#)
- [Tag Order Form \(PDF\)](#)

## **2020 Fort Worth Calf Scramble Information**

- **Information:** The Calf Scramble is an incredible opportunity for 4-H members. The Calf Scramble program gives youth an opportunity to catch a calf during the stock show in order to earn a voucher to purchase and show a livestock animal at the show. If you have interested 4-H members, check out the 2020 Applicants page at: <https://www.fwssr.com/calf-scramble-2020-applicants> Rules and Entry Applications will be available October 1st. Your 2019 Winners can access important reminders to stay on track and check on upcoming dates and deadlines at: <https://www.fwssr.com/calf-scramble-2019-winners>

## **Judson FFA Alumni Association Lamb & Goat Prospect Show – October 12, 2019**

- **Information:** Judson FFA Alumni Association is sponsoring their 13<sup>th</sup> annual Lamb and Goat Prospect Show. Show will be held October 12, 2019. Location will be the Judson FFA Show Barn (9142 FM 78, Converse, TX 78109). Please see flyer below for more information.
  - [2019 Flyer](#)

## **Hill Country Livestock Judging Contest – October 26, 2019**

- **Information:** Llano County Extension Office is hosting an invitational Livestock Judging contest on October 26, 2019 at the Jordan Cattle Auction (204 Gooch Ave., Mason TX, 76856). Please see flyer for more information.
- [2019 Flyer](#)

## **Bexar County Junior Livestock Show – December 16-18, 2019**

- **Information:** The Bexar County Junior Livestock Show information is updated on their website: <http://bcjls.com>

**Club managers must enter all county show entries into ShowWorks by November 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be emailing all club managers their login passwords shortly. Please make sure to check emails.** Please call the office if you have any questions! Hard copies of entry forms and payment must be received by **BCJLS no later than Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**. Paperwork should be sent to:

To: BCJLS  
POBox 1193  
Adkins, Texas 78101.

## **Build a Barn, Raise a Child Fall Festival- November 2, 2019**

- **Information:** The Build A Barn, Raise A Child Fall Festival is a special event to help BCJLS raise money for their Build a Barn project. We would love to have everyone come out and participate in some way! 4-H members are welcome to come play, volunteer, or host a game booth. Festival organizers are looking for craft vendors. For game booths, 4-H clubs would be responsible for designing the booth, manning booth and providing prizes. All guests pay by tickets. ½ of the proceeds collected at the booth will go to the 4-H club and the other 1/2 will go to the fundraiser.
- **Details:** Where: Bexar County Jr. Livestock Show Grounds 7701 FM 1346, San Antonio, TX 78229. Please see flyer [here](#). For questions or to sign up please email [info@jtbusinessconnection.com](mailto:info@jtbusinessconnection.com).

## **Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Swine, Goat and Lamb Showdown**

**Information:** The two day event will feature swine, goats, and lambs with showmanship for each category.

- **Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Lamb & Goat Showdown:** Show held on Saturday, November 16, 2019. Lambs and Goat, Showmanship (Pee Wee, Junior, Senior, and Old Timers), Judge: Brad Johnson Entry Fee and Registration: \$20 per animal. Click [here](#) to see Flyer. [Register here](#).
- **Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Swine Showdown:** Show held on Saturday, November 23, 2019. Swine 8-Breed format, Showmanship (Pee Wee, Junior, Senior, and Old Timer) Judge: Luke Lindner. Entry fee and registration: \$20.00 per animal pre-registered and \$25.00 day of registration. Click [here](#) to see Flyer. [Register here](#).



Leadership & Fun Events






## **2019 Norman Vestal Memorial Rotary Scholarship – Due Mar. 6, 2020**

- **Information:** The Rotary Club of San Antonio will grant five \$500 scholarships to area graduating high school seniors from Bexar County who plan to pursue a career in Agri-life (to include Agri-business). **The deadline to apply for the 2020-2021 Norman Vestal Memorial Rotary Scholarship is Friday, March 6, 2020.** Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. To apply please read the following eligibility and application guidelines [HERE](#).

## **2019 Soil & Crop Sciences Scholarship – Texas A&M University – Due Mar. 15, 2020**

- **Information:** The Soil & Crop Sciences Department at Texas A&M University has a great opportunity for students wanting to major in **Plant & Environmental Soil Science** and **Turfgrass Science**. The department is awarding \$16,000 scholarships to incoming freshmen and \$8000 scholarships to transfer students. Please see the [Flyer HERE](#) for information about the scholarships and the application process. You can also find the information at this link: <https://soilcrop.tamu.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/scholarships/>. **Deadline for Fall Transfers is March 15, 2020**

Please also see this [Major Page pdf](#) that describes the degrees and career possibilities of **Plant & Environmental Soil Science** and **Turfgrass Science** majors. Follow us on our social media to see what our current students are

doing.....internships, study abroad programs, and life in the department. **FOLLOW US|@AggieSoilCrop**   

## 2019-2020 County Council Meeting Calendar – “Who’s Your Neighbor?”

- **Information:** 4-H Club members and delegates are encouraged and invited to this year’s 4-H County Council meetings! This year’s meetings will be themed “Who’s Your Neighbor?” and have an educational component on meeting your fellow neighbor and improving your local community. Each meeting will be held at the Bexar County 4-H Office (3355 Cherry Ridge Dr., S-208, SATX 78230) @ 7pm. Parents are encouraged to attend as well and join in during the Adult Leaders Association meeting. Dates are:
  - **November 14, 2019 – Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM**
  - January 23, 2020 – Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM
  - March 5, 2020 – Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM
  - May 14, 2020 – Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM

## SUPPORT YOUR TEXAS 4-H CENTER

- **Information:** Join The Texas 4-H Council for the 2019-2020 State Service Project in supporting the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood, Texas. They will be taking donations and organizing ways to give back to the 4-H Center. Donation Link: <https://texas4hfoundationorg/give/> See flyer [here](#).

## \*NEW\* JUNIOR MASTER PHOTOGRAPHER Program (Brochure)

- **Information:** The Texas 4-H Junior Master Photographer (JMP) program provides advanced instruction to photography enthusiasts. Members who complete this program will receive the Junior Master Photographer pin and certificate. Certified JMPs in 9<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible to apply to the [State 4-H Photography Ambassador Program](#).  
**JUNIOR MASTER PHOTOGRAPHER TRAINING WORKSHOP II**  
**When:** Saturday, December 7, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Where:** 4-H Center, Dallas TX  
**Who:** 4-Hers ages 12 & up who have access to a DSLR camera. **MUST HAVE ATTENDED WORKSHOP I.**  
**What:** Workshop Focus: Color & Composition. **Must bring a DSLR camera.**  
**Cost:** \$30 fee to recoup mandatory 4-H Connect Registration costs and materials.  
**Registration:** Will be on 4-H Connect October 25 through November 25.  
**Contact:** Elizabeth for more information-254.718.1332, [familycoffman@aol.com](mailto:familycoffman@aol.com)

## 2019 – 2020 Fall and Winter Texas 4-H Center Lake Brownwood Programs

- **Information:** - Registration for Winter Programs at Lake Brownwood starts **September 2, 2019** information available at [texas4hcenter.tamu.edu](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu). Take advantage of youth and adults programs while enjoying Lake Brownwood and its wide variety of activities!
  - [2019 -2020 Fall & Winter Camps and Retreats Flyer](#)
  - [Family Outdoor Education Retreat \(Oct 18-20, 2019\) Flyer](#) – **Late Fee after Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>**
  - [4-H Junior Leadership Retreat \(Nov 8-10, 2019\) Flyer](#) – **Late Fee after Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>**





# 4-H Project Trainings



## 4-H Speaker Request Form

- **Information:** If you are interested in having a 4-H staff member speak at your event/club meeting, please complete this [form](#) and submit to [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) at least 3 weeks prior to the requested date. Please allow 3-5 business days for confirmation. If you have any questions, please contact us at 210-631-0400.

## 4-H Dog Project Trainings – 2019-2020 Schedule Released!

- **Information:** Are you interested in learning how to train your dog in Obedience and Agility? AND do you want to spend more time with your dog? Well guess what! Bexar County 4-H has a dog project! Come join the Bexar County Dog Squad and learn how to bond with your dog over sits, stays and lots of love! Please see our [flyer](#) for more information!

## Public Speaking Gaveliers 4-H Club – Become a better speaker TODAY!

- **Information:** Are you nervous to speak in front of a crowd? Do you need to refine your public speaking skills? Then Gaveliers 4-H club is for you! We develop and practice speaking and leadership skills, using the Toastmasters model. We meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month, from 6:45-8pm, at Northwest Hills Christian Church, 9560 Potranco Rd, 78251. For more information check out our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/gaveliers4H/> or contact Esther Palacios at 210-846-0360 or email [gotcaketx@yahoo.com](mailto:gotcaketx@yahoo.com)

## TRAPS Program – Protecting Youth and Teens from Human Trafficking

- Please save the date of **October 15, 2019**. Join Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, the Bexar County Sheriff's Office and Ransomed Life to learn how to recognize the tricks and lures of traffickers through a program called TRAPS. TRAPS is an interactive youth program developed by Traffick911 and geared toward youth ages 12 - 18 and parents. Please help us promote event and educate our community. Thank you.

**When:** Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, Bexar County Office

3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 208  
San Antonio, TX 78230

**Please RSVP by calling 210-631-0400. Ask for Chris.**

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**WHAT IS TRAPS?**

Ransomed Life partners with an organization called Traffick911 out of Dallas. Traps is Traffick911's interactive youth program designed to equip youth and parents to avoid the tricks, traps, and lures of traffickers. Ransomed Life brings this program into school, youth shelters, youth groups, Boys and Girls Clubs, and other youth venues. The program is geared toward ages 12-18 and is also adapted and presented to PTA's and parent groups.

keeping youth safe and free from traffickers

**traps**  
be smart. stay free.

Ransomed Life has already educated 2,000 youth in the San Antonio area

## **2019 Urban Wildlife Series**

- **Information:** The Bexar County Agriculture and Natural Resource committee is proudly sponsoring several Urban Wildlife talks regarding Rio Grande Wild Turkey Management, White Tailed Deer Management, Texas Game Fish, and a Get Ready to Hunt Seminar. Both Youth and Adults are welcome to take part. These series would be excellent for any youth participating in a Natural Resources or Wildlife Project. Cost is \$10 per class (payable at the door) hosted here at the Bexar County Extension Office. [2019 Series Flyer](#)

## **4-H For Health Online Learning Series**

- **Information:** 4-H members, and leaders who have a passion for healthy living are welcome to join us for the 4-H for Health Online Learning Series. This learning series will explore various youth health issues which have been identified by our Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors. Each online seminar will take place at 6:30 PM online at <https://zoom.us/j/431035937> Dates and topics listed below! Please share our [flyer](#) with your members!

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|----------------------------------|---------------|
| • Bullying: Take a Stand         | October 15th  |
| • Take Cover: Skin Health        | November 19th |
| • Physical Activity for Life     | December 17th |
| • The Story Behind Social Media  | January 21st  |
| • Can Fast Food be Healthy?      | February 18th |
| • Is that Text Really Worth it?  | March 17th    |
| • The Harmful Effects of Alcohol | April 14th    |

## **4-H Recordbook Training – October 24, 2019 @ Bexar Ext. Office**

- **Information:** It's never too early to get started on Recordbooks! Join us for a FUN and informational session on 4-H Recordbooks. What is a Recordbook, how do we put it together? Learn all this and more on October 24, 2019 @ 6:30 PM @ the Bexar County Extension Office (Suite 208). Can't attend this training? Consider hosting a Recordbook training at your next club meeting! Fill out this [form](#) and submit to [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) to request an agent present recordbooks at your next club meeting!

## **2019 BUGTOBERFEST – October 19, 2019 (Youth Volunteers NEEDED!)**

- **Information:** Ever wondered what an insect tastes like? Do you think you're brave enough to try it? Adventurous diners are asked to attend Bugtoberfest on **Saturday, October 19, 2019** at the San Antonio Botanical Garden for a day of creepy crawly fun! Youth activities will be hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office and YOUTH VOLUNTEERS ARE WANTED! Youth volunteers will help support different activity booths. If interested, email [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) to get on the mailing list!

## **4-H Scholarship Training – October 29, 2019 @ Bexar Ext. Office**

- **Information:** **If your child is a graduating senior this year**, please do not miss this informational session on 4-H Scholarships. You will learn about the different scholarship opportunities offered in 4-H, tips on completing scholarship applications and more on **October 29, 2019 @ 6:30 PM @ the Bexar County Extension Office (Suite 208)**. Can't attend this training? Consider hosting a Scholarship training at your next club meeting! Fill out this [form](#) and submit to [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) to request an agent present scholarship information at your next club meeting!

## **4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project Workshop – Dec. 7, 2019**

- **Information:** If interested in the Wildlife Habitat Education Project (WHEP) make plans to attend the **4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project (WHEP) Workshop** to be held in Grimes County on **December 7, 2019**. Registration will be open on 4-H Connect on November 1<sup>st</sup> and close on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. This hands on workshop will be available for youth and adults interested in learning more about the project. See flyer [HERE](#) for more info.

**Date:** December 7, 2019 - Workshop will start at 9:00 a.m. with check-in beginning at 8:30 a.m. The workshop will end at approximately 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8227 CR 205, Plantersville, Texas, 77363 (Grimes County)

**Registration:** November 1 - 22, 2019 on 4-H Connect (<https://texas.4honline.com/> )

**Cost** is \$10.00 for each participant; youth and adult.

Lunch will be provided for each registered participant.

## **NATIONAL 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY SUMMIT**

- Where: Washington, D.C.
- When: February 26 – March 1, 2020
- Who: 4-Hers, 9-12 grade
- What: Learn technical skills, hands-on activities, workshops, and engage with nationally-recognized leaders. 4-Hers will also enjoy guided day and night time photography tours.
- Where: National 4-H Conference Center
- Why: Learn and have fun! Meet 4-H photographers from across the country.
- Cost: \$725 - \$875 (Varies with room selection)
- Registration Currently Open: <http://www.cvent.com/events/nys-on-photography/event-summary-2f382b3e798646c698b34b3edf005e6b.aspx>

## **Photography Field Trips, Service Events and “Practices”**

- **Information:** Click [HERE](#) to go to a “live” Google document that lists a variety of planned photography opportunities across the state. This document link will later be posted on the state photography web page and updated as new opportunities arise. Some activities listed are open to all 4-H members, and some are limited to just JMP or Ambassadors. In most cases, please contact the coordinator prior to attending. If you have an event that is open to others that you would like to add to the calendar, please email details (outlining the same headings) to Derrick Bruton at [d-bruton@tamu.edu](mailto:d-bruton@tamu.edu).



# CONTEST PAGE:



## District/State Contest Reimbursement Form

- **Information:** The Bexar 4-H Council has money set aside to reimburse for selected District and State events to encourage participation and help ease the financial burden for active 4-H families. The money reimbursed will need to be requested from our office; no longer automatically mailed. See details below:
- **How:** Please fill out and return the [Reimbursement Form](#) to [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu)

## 2019-2020 County – District – State Dates

*\*Dates marked as TENATIVE are subject to change. Be prepared!\**

**Texas 4-H Rabbit Extravaganza Show - September 14, 2019**

**County One Day 4-H – October 12, 2019**

**County Food Show & Food Challenge – November 2, 2019**

**County Educational Presentations & Public Speaking – November 9, 2019**

**District Entomology Judging (Kerrville) – December 4, 2019**

**District Nutrition Quiz Bowl (Kerrville) - December 4, 2019**

**District Food Show & Food Challenge (Kerrville) – December 5, 2019**

**District Beef & Horse Quiz Bowl (Kerrville) – December 6, 2019**

**District Educational Presentations & Public Speaking – December 6, 2019**

**District Dairy/Horse/Consumer Decision Judging – February 2020 (During S.A.L.E.)**

**District Photography Contest – TBA February 2020**

**County Duds to Dazzle/Fashion Show & Storyboards - TBA March 2020**

**County Photography Entries DUE – March 16, 2020**

**County Project Show – TBA Early April 2020**

**County Share-the-Fun Contest – April 4, 2020**

**District Meat Judging - \*TENATIVE\* April 15, 2020**

**District Livestock Judging (Fredericksburg) – April 22, 2020**

**District Range Evaluation/Range & Pasture ID (Fredericksburg) – April 23, 2020**

**District Share-the-Fun (Fredericksburg) – April 23, 2020**

**District Wool & Mohair Judging (Fredericksburg) – April 23, 2020**

**District Leaders 4 Life (Fredericksburg) – April 23, 2020**

**District Soil Judging (Fredericksburg) – April 24, 2020**

**District Duds to Dazzle (Fredericksburg) – April 24, 2020**

**District Fashion Show & Storyboards (Fredericksburg) – April 24, 2020**

**District Smallbore Rifle Contest (Floresville) – April 25, 2020**

**Texas State Roundup – June 8-11, 2020**

**County Recordbooks & Awards DUE – June 15, 2020**

**County Recordbook Judging – June 19-20, 2020**

**District Horse Show (Dripping Springs) – June 17 – 18, 2020**

**District 10 Leadership Lab (Brownwood) – June 24 – 26, 2020**

**District 10 Recordbook Judging (Helotes) – July 9, 2020**

**State 4-H Dog Show – July 10-13, 2020**

**Texas 4-H Congress – July 12-15, 2020**

**State 4-H Horse Show – TBA July, 2020**



## \*\*\*District 10 Fall Roundup Guide Released\*\*\*

- **Information:** The District 10 Fall Roundup Guide has all the information on how to register for: Entomology Judging, Quiz Bowl (Nutrition, Beef & Horse), Food Show & Challenge, Educational Presentation & Public Speaking.
- ✓ **\*NEW\*** [District 10 Fall Roundup Guide](#)

## \*\*\*MAJOR FOOD CHALLENGE RULE CHANGES\*\*\*

- **Information:** The 4-H Food Challenge rules have MAJORLY changed for the 2019-2020 4-H year. These changes will primarily affect Senior teams. However, Intermediate and Junior teams may notice slight rule changes this year so it is imperative you read the District guidelines when they are published. DO NOT ASSUME RULES HAVE NOT CHANGED. Please see following packets released from the State that apply to SENIOR TEAMS ONLY:

- ✓ [2020 Food Challenge Rules & Guidelines](#)
- ✓ **\*NEW\*** [Pantry Power Guide – Rules for the New Senior Pantry](#)
- ✓ [2020 Food Challenge Preparation Scorecard](#)
- ✓ [2020 Food Challenge Presentation Scorecard](#)
- ✓ [2020 Food Challenge Worksheet PDF](#)
- ✓ [Fight BAC Brochure](#)
- ✓ [My Plate Mini Poster](#)
- ✓ [Know your Nutrients](#)
- ✓ [Food Safety Fact Sheet](#)

## \*\*\*2020 Food Show THEME Released\*\*\*

### *Food Around the World*

- **Information:** The 4-H Food Show Theme has been released as well as some rule changes for the 2019-2020 4-H year. These changes will primarily affect Senior teams, however please make sure Intermediate/Junior contestants review the District packet when published for changes to younger age divisions.

- ✓ [2020 Food Show Rules & Guidelines](#)
- ✓ [2020 Food Show Scorecard](#)
- ✓ [2020 Food Show Recipe Submission Paperwork](#)

## \*\*\*2019-2020 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTESTS\*\*\*

- ✓ 2020 County Photography Rules – Coming Soon!
- ✓ [2019 – 2020 State Photography Rules](#) (Applies ONLY to Senior Age Division members who qualify from County)
- ✓ [2019 -2020 Picture Your World Youth Photography Program](#)

## \*\*\*2020 RECORDBOOK UPDATES\*\*\*

- ✓ **\*NEW\*** [2019-2020 Family Guide to Recordbooks](#)
- ✓ **\*NEW\*** [2019-2020 Recordbook Categories](#)
- ✓ **\*NEW\*** [2019-2020 Recordbook Forms](#)

## \*\*\*2020 TEXAS STATE ROUNDUP UPDATES\*\*\*

- ✓ [2020 Contest Changes and Reminders](#)
- ✓ [2020 Updated Roundup Guide](#)

## \*\*\*2019-2020 SHOOTING SPORTS CONTESTS\*\*\*

### **Quick Glance for ALL UPCOMING Shooting Sports Events**

- Access all shooting sports events, trainings, & contests here: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s-dAH2\\_/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s-dAH2_/edit)
- [2019 Bexar Junior Shootout](#) – Deadline for EARLY registration **Nov. 1, 2019**
- [2019 Bosque County 4-H Indoor Archery Tournament](#) – **Deadline Dec. 27, 2019**

## **2019 County Food Show & Food Challenge**

- **Information:** The 2019 County Food Challenge and Food Show Packet has now been released for your review. You can find the packet [HERE](#). The 2019 County Food Challenge and Food Show will be held on November 2, 2019 beginning at 8:30AM at the Neighborhood Place (3014 Rivas Street, San Antonio, TX 78228). **Please note that ALL paperwork needs to be turned into the office by Wednesday, October 23, 2019 @ 5PM. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** All forms can be found in your packet. Please call the office (210.631.0400) and ask to speak with Angie Gutierrez or Chris Lambert should you have any questions!

**Lastly, we will NEED adult volunteers to help judge both Food Challenge and Food Show.** If you are interested in volunteering on that day please email [aogutierrez@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:aogutierrez@ag.tamu.edu) which contest you can judge! Lunch will be provided to judges that day.

### **County Food Show & Food Challenge Schedule:**

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Judges and Volunteer Orientation Food Challenge Contestants Orientation

9:00 a.m. Food Challenge Contestant Sign In

9:15 a.m.– 12:00 noon Food Challenge Contest, Judging & Awards\*

12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Food Show Contestant Registration

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Food Show Contest & Judging

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Food Show Awards\*

4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Everyone Help Clean up

*\*Start time for awards may be subject change and could potentially move up due to number of teams and/or number of contestant participating as well as completion of judging.*

## **2019-2020 Agrobotics Schedule Released!**

- **Information:** Please make sure your Robotics teams have the dates on their calendar for all contests located [here](#). Every stock show contest will now have a 'standard' game as well as some blind challenges unique to each stock show.

## **Guadalupe Robotics 4-H Club 6th Annual SumoBot Competition Save the Date**

- **Information:** *November 9, 2019 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (doors open at 8:30 AM)* **SumoBot** wrestling is a contest where two previously programmed LEGO Mindstorm (NXT or EV3) robot contestants try to push or flip each other's robot out of a Circular ring. The first robot to have its tires or tracks completely out of the ring or is rendered immobile, loses. **Registration Fee \$50 per team. Please register by November 2, 2019.** For more information contact [guadalupe4hrobots@gmail.com](mailto:guadalupe4hrobots@gmail.com). Click [here](#) to see flyer!

## **Nueces County 4-H Robotics Competition**

- **Information:** Competition will be held November 2, 2019, at Banquete Junior High School, 4334 Fourth St. Banquete, TX 78339. 4-H Teams \$40.00; Non 4-H \$50.00. Contact Vickie Loessin for information at 361.816.9323 or [vickieloessin@aol.com](mailto:vickieloessin@aol.com). DEADLINE TO REGISTER: October 25, 2019. See flyer [here](#) and entry form [here](#) for more information.

## **San Antonio Cactus & Xerophyte Society Annual Show & Sale**

**Information:** Do you enjoy growing cactus or succulents? If so, the San Antonio Cactus and Xerophyte Society will be hosting their Annual Show & Sale on **April 23 – 25, 2020** from 9:00 am – 5:00 m each day. During the event there will be vendors selling cactus and succulents, raffles, auctions, Fiesta medal sales, live demonstrations, Kid Zone activities for children, and judged Educational Displays.

The Educational Displays for the youth division will contain entries from members of youth organizations such as 4-H and any other interested youth less than 18 years of age. The entries will be judged by a Master Gardener based on content, attractiveness, and ability to engage visitors. Cash prizes will be awarded to first and second place winners. (*Cash amount TBD*) Set-up is on April 22 at the SA Garden Center and displays should be removed between 5 – 6 pm on April 25. The display may use a 3 ft. or 6 ft. space and must be educational. Printed materials containing appropriate information must be used. Live plants are optional, but if not used, models or pictures could be used in their place. **The display must contain educational information about cactus, succulents, or xerophytic plants. Make sure that your focus is on these groups of plants.**

Topics may include:

- General information about cactus or succulents or xerophytes
- General information about a particular type of plant
- Comparison and contrast of these plants to other plants such as leafy plants
- Adaptations of these plants to dry habitats
- Experiments done with any of these types of plants
- How to grow healthy succulent plants
- A study of one particular genus of cactus or succulents
- Uses of these plants by people or animals
- Other related topics

Please contact Barbara Schulze, [barbaralschulze@yahoo.com](mailto:barbaralschulze@yahoo.com) if you are interested in participating or have any questions. We need to have confirmation of participation no later than **Dec. 31, 2019**. Our society would love to have more youth participation in this part of our Show & Sale. We hope you will join us! [SEE FLYER!](#)

*Educational program of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating. We will seek to provide reasonable accommodations for our events for all persons with disabilities. We request that you contact our office at least five days in advance of an event to advise us of the auxiliary aid or service that you require.*