



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

- MAR 16 – [Salute To Excellence Volunteer Nominations DUE](#)
 - **EXTENDED UNTIL MARCH 23RD**
- **MAR 16** – [County Photography Contest DEADLINE](#)
 - **EXTENDED UNTIL MARCH 23RD BY 5:00PM**
- MAR 20 – [Mission Possible Mentorship Applications DUE](#)
- **MAR 23** – [Texas 4-H Congress Names DUE! See pg. 7](#)
- **MAR 24** – [District 10 Spring Roundup Registration DEADLINE](#)
- **MAR 24** – [District 10 Meat Judging Registration DEADLINE](#)
- MAR 26 – [County Recordbook Training @ Ext. Office](#)
- **MAR 26** – [District 10 Spring Roundup LATE Registration DEADLINE](#)
- **MAR 26** – [District 10 Meat Judging LATE Registration DEADLINE](#)
- MAR 27-28 – [South-N-Your Mouth Battle of the Meats Cook-Off Event](#)
- MAR 28 – [SA Stockyards Historical Society Trail Ride Event](#)
- MAR 29 – [West TX Invitational Hippology Early Bird DEADLINE](#)
- MAR 31 – [Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador Applications DUE](#)
- **APR 1** – [County Project Show ENTRY FORMS DUE](#)
- APR 1 – [PVAMU Goat Giveaway Program Applications DUE](#)
- APR 1 – [Auditions for TX 4-H Roundup National Anthem DEADLINE](#)
- APR 4 – [3-D Archery Shoot Open to ALL 4-H Members](#)
- APR 4 – [Guadalupe County 4-H GEAR Robotics Challenge](#)
- APR 6 – [2020 Veterinary Science Camps Registration DEADLINE](#)
- APR 10 – [Jason Krueger Memorial Scholarship Application DUE](#)
- **APR 15** – [Horse Validation 1st DEADLINE - \\$10 Per Horse](#)
- APR 17 – [Texas Sheep & Goat Ranchers Roundup Camp Registration DUE](#)
- APR 30 – [2020 PVAMU Youth Lab Applications Due](#)
- APR 30 – [ABASE TX Section Cleon Namken Scholarship DUE](#)
- **MAY 1** – [Horse Validation 2nd DEADLINE - \\$20 Per Horse](#)
- MAY 1 – [State Livestock & Equine Ambassador Applications DUE](#)
- MAY 1 – [Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Applications DUE](#)
- MAY 1 – [Texas 4-H Roping School Applications DUE](#)
- **MAY 5** – [FINAL Horse Validation Deadline - \\$250 Per Horse](#)
- MAY 15 – [Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge Registration DUE on 4-H Connect](#)
- MAY 15 – [Water Ambassador Applications DUE](#)
- MAY 30 – [Top Tomato Contest hosted by Fanick's](#)
- JUN 17 – [District Community Service Project Donations due to Office](#)

⚠️ QUICK LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS! ⚠️

Please read the following Important Reminders:

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DISTRICT ROUNDUP CONTEST INFO

At this time, we are waiting to hear if District Roundup contests will be held as scheduled. We are being advised to instruct ALL 4-H members interested in participating to register on 4-H Connect prior to **March 24th, 2020**. IF the contests are canceled, your payment will be canceled, and no funds withdrawn from your account.

Other Updates: There has been an adjustment in the price of the District Meat Judging Contest to incorporate the price of food. The new Meat judging contest price will be **\$15.00!**

ANIMAL VALIDATION INFO

Steer Validation Tag Orders are **Due Friday, April 3rd to the Extension Office!** Click [HERE](#) for Order Form!

If you will be exhibiting at the State Fair of Texas with a Lamb, Goat or Swine project, please watch our NEXT NEWSLETTER and your email for upcoming information.

*****2019-2020 COUNTY CONTESTS*****

2019-2020 County Photography Contest **Deadline Extended Until March, 23rd at 5:00 PM,** Photos need to be turned into County Extension Office!

We are looking for adult judges to judge photos! If interested please ,

Contact ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu

[2019-2020 County Project Show Rules & Registration Information](#) – **DUE April 1,**

2020 Adult Judges & Youth Volunteers NEEDED – Contact

ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu

COVID-19 Update from Bexar 4-H

Howdy 4-H Family,

As I'm sure you're all aware, our nation and state are currently navigating difficult waters regarding the spread of COVID-19 or ubiquitously dubbed the "Coronavirus" (<https://texashelp.tamu.edu/coronavirus-information-resources/>). No doubt you have felt the effects of this event in more ways than one. We are taking guidance at this time from our agency, local government, and federal government on how best to advise our groups to mitigate the probabilities of infection and further spread of the virus. **Please read the following recommendations regarding public gatherings/social distancing, and best hygiene practices.** We know you all have been made aware of this information, but we'd like to emphasize the importance of these practices so we can hopefully return to a normal state of operation in the near future.

1. The following actions are being taken regarding educational programs and face to face meetings:

- **March 16-20 all AgriLife/4-H face to face events, programs and meetings will be cancelled/postponed. If certain business meetings have important matters of business to attend to, the best practice would be to meet virtually using one of the many online platforms available. At this time, the agency will re-evaluate on March 19, 2020 if programming can be resumed after the 20th.**

2. The following CDC information relates to how COVID-19 is spread:

- The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person.
 - Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
 - Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

Some spread might be possible before people show symptoms; there have been reports of this occurring with this new coronavirus, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads.

- **Spread from contact with contaminated surfaces or objects:**

It may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads.

3. The following CDC information relates to how to mitigate infection of COVID-19:

CDC always recommends **everyday preventive actions** to help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases, including:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.

Again, we know that the effects of COVID-19 has already made a huge impact over the past few weeks. We deeply empathize with our 4-H families and more importantly our youth who have been dealt a difficult hand this year with many opportunities being cancelled. However, I hope and believe that the measures that have been taken will be to our community's benefit overall. Please be safe over the next few weeks and let us know if you have any questions!

4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS



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Agency Policy on Prospect Show Participation after HLSR and Rodeo Austin Cancellation

We appreciate the commitment of so many supporters of the youth livestock industry and the coordinated efforts to support youth in exhibiting their animals in response to the closing of the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo and Rodeo Austin. AgriLife Extension personnel have been directed to not serve, lead or coordinate these events. Additionally, these events should be working in conjunction with the local health department and follow the direction of local authorities. **In addition, we cannot offer to provide school excuse letters for these events, as they are not sanctioned 4-H/FFA events.** These events are occurring in public venues, bringing together large gatherings of people, and are not in compliance with the recommendations coming from state and local health officials. Everyone involved in these events has the best interest of our kids in mind as they try to organize these efforts. However, the safety of our families and communities must be our priority as an agency. Thank you for your understanding and supporting of these directives.



2020 PVAMU Goat Giveaway Program

The CEP 4-H Goat Kid Giveaway Program is accepting applications from FFA, 4-H, and other youth 8 – 18 years of age! This program is looking for applicants that have the resources and knowledge to properly take care of the goat, as well as showing commitment toward furthering their goat and overall 4-H involvement. Applicants do not need previous experience in raising goats to enter this program. **Application DUE Wednesday, April 1, 2020.** Click [HERE](#) for Application!

Texas Livestock & Equine Ambassador Program – Applications DUE May 1, 2020



Information: The Texas 4-H Livestock and Equine Ambassador Programs are looking for the next motivated group of young people eager to promote and lead in areas of livestock and equine science. We hope you will consider applying to the program. Members selected will receive training at various short course opportunities held over the summer at some of the leading Universities in Texas. Our hope is when you return from the short course, you will develop your leadership skills and assist with educational programs. Attached, you will find a [Texas 4-H Livestock and Equine Ambassador promotional document](#) that explains the program in more detail.

- 2020 Short Course Offering:
 - Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador Short Course, West Texas A&M – June 14-17, 2020
 - Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M Kingsville – June 22-25, 2020
 - Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas Tech/ West Texas A&M – July 13-16, 2020
 - Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M – July 20-23, 2020
- Selection Criteria:
 - Senior age (14-18) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding his/her livestock/equine projects.
 - Students with a profound interest in animal/equine science, animal production and advocacy.
 - Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others.
 - Top 25% class rank
- Application Process:
 - a. Livestock https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b9knd7h0VXkbNKB
 - b. Equine https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eVUuz6NEngkqsB
 - c. Student will complete the application and enter the contact information of supervising County Extension Agent
 - d. CEA will be automatically emailed a recommendation survey
 - e. A selection committee will review the applications and accept up to 25 participants per short course
 - f. Applications are due May 1, 2020

Texas Sheep & Goat Youth Ranchers Roundup – June 1-5, 2020

Information: A new camp sponsored by the Texas Lamb and Goat Validation will be held **June 1-5, 2020 in San Angelo, TX.**

This will be a week full of opportunities for youth who are particularly interested in the sheep and goat side of the agricultural industry. We will introduce and expose the students to the business and entrepreneurial spirit engrained in the production and commercial aspects of our trade, provide insight into the Sheep Skillathon, which offers Scholarship opportunities to students throughout the year, such as the \$10,000 scholarship awarded at the San Antonio Livestock Show Sheep Skillathon, and offer a chance for students to get involved in and exposed to additional 4-H and FFA competitions such as Food Challenge; and that's just to name a few!

The application is online at <https://sheepandgoatvalidation.tamu.edu/texas-sheep-and-goat-youth-ranchers-round-up/> and the deadline is April 17th.



4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS



2019 Bexar County Horse Show Schedule

- March 28, 2020 Performance classes *Eligibility Required
- March 29, 2020 Speed classes

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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 4-H 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**
 - April 20, 2020
 - May 18, 2020
 - June 15, 2020
 - July 20, 2020
 - August 17, 2020

Other Horse Related 4-H Programs:

- [TAMU Virtual Horse Judging Academy](#)
- [Summer Horsemanship School Program](#)
- [Texas 4-H Roping School](#)



Jason Krueger Memorial Scholarship – Due April 10, 2020

- **Information:** 4-H members who have exhibited steers in their 4-H career are encouraged to apply for the Jason Krueger Memorial Scholarship. Member MUST be an active 4-H member and a graduating senior. Deadline is April 10, 2020. Full guidelines can be found [HERE](#), and application document [HERE](#).

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. Next Meeting is:
 - May 14, 2020 – Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM



Sign Up OPEN: 2020 Texas 4-H Congress

- **Information:** Texas 4-H Congress will be held **July 12-15, 2020** in Austin, Texas, at the State Capitol. Please see the full [LETTER](#) for all event information. In order to participate in this event, members will need to submit a bill online. For information and ideas on how to submit a bill please visit the Congress Information Website Located [HERE](#). See event [flyer here](#)! Sign up information is NOW available! Members interested in attending Texas 4-H Congress must submit the following to ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu. Space is LIMITED, and attendance is NOT guaranteed.
 - All 4-H members interested in attending need to let Natalie know by **Monday, March 23, 2020!**
 - Name of Applicant
 - Grade
 - Have you been to Congress before? (Yes/No)

2020 YALL Tour Applications OPEN

- **Information:** The YALL Tour be held **July 19-24, 2020**, departing from Kerr County. The Youth Agricultural Lifetime Leadership opportunity is a 6 day exploration for youth to experience South Texas agricultural production. During the South Texas Y.A.L.L. Experience youth will get to see many unique agriculture operations. While many youth are interested in some aspect of agriculture production for a career, many are unfamiliar with all of the job opportunities that exist in commercial agriculture production. Tour attendees will also be challenged in a variety of ways to improve on their leadership skills as agriculture spokespersons. Registration is now open at yall.ticketleap.com/20yall/ If you have questions please do not hesitate to contact Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu

2020 Top Tomato Contest

The 2020 ‘Top Tomato’ Contest will be hosted at Fanick’s Nursery and ran by the Bexar County Master Gardeners on **Saturday, May 30th!** Click [HERE](#) for more information!

Apply to be a Fashion and Interior Design Ambassador!

- **Information:** The Texas 4-H Fashion and Interior Design Ambassador Program strives to provide high school aged 4-H members the opportunity to develop and practice advanced leadership skills to mentor other youth, and to become knowledgeable representatives for the Fashion & Interior Design project. Applications must be submitted online, March 1-31, 2020. Application link can be found [HERE](#). A selection committee will review the applications and accept up to 20 participants. Applicants will be notified in April with the results. Mandatory training will be held at Incarnate Word University in San Antonio July 27-30th. A \$250 participation fee will be charged for the training. For more information contact Angela McCorkle or check out the button below. Angela McCorkle | armccorkle@ag.tamu.edu | 979-845-1150

South -N-Your Mouth Battle of the Meats! Adult & Kids Cook-Off – Mar. 27-28

- **Information:** The Helotes Ag Booster Club would like to invite 4-H members to their Annual South-N-Your Mouth Battle of the Meats Cook-Off for youth and adults! Event will be hosted on **March 27-28 at the Helotes Ag Youth Ranch** (1825 CR 2615, Rio Medina, Tx 78066). For more information please check out the [FLYER](#)!

Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Program Announcement

- **Information:** Are you looking for ways to improve your leadership? Do you want to make a difference in your health and the health of others? If so, the **HEALTHY TEXAS YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM** is the perfect opportunity for YOU to become trained in health, wellness, and safety while helping your community! For more information please review the [2020-21 Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Handbook](#).
- **Who's Eligible?:** Youth do not have to be current 4-H members, but must be willing to join 4-H.
 - Be in at least the 9th grade at beginning of the 2020-2021 school year
 - Submit completed application to the local county extension office by May 1, 2020
 - Have an interest and passion to serve others in the area of health education.
- **What does the program entail?** After youth are accepted to the local program, they must fulfill the following obligations:
 - Complete and report 40* hours of leadership, program efforts, or community service annually.
 - Attend a Regional Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Summit, face-to-face and online trainings
 - Must agree to the obligations and requirements outlined in the HT Youth Ambassador Handbook.
 - Ambassadorship is a 12-month commitment, beginning June 2020. Ambassadors who fulfill the minimum (40) hours can reapply for the following year. New/returning ambassadors MUST complete a new application annually.
- **What is the cost?** Currently, there is no application fee for this program; however, selected ambassadors will be required to pay the estimated registration fee of \$75-\$100 for the regional Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Summit. They will also be responsible for any travel costs related to this or other trainings. Interested youth will apply to the Bexar County Office **no later than May 1**. Notification of acceptance by June 1. Those selected will be expected to attend one of the following regional trainings. Locations and registration processes of trainings will be announced at a later date.
 - Central Region July 22
 - East Region June 23
 - North Region July 21
 - South Region July 24
 - Southeast Region June 30
 - West Region June 30

ABASE Texas Section Cleon Namken Memorial Scholarship



The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) Texas Section will award the Cleon Namken Memorial Scholarship annually to a graduating high school senior enrolling in college with plans to pursue a degree in engineering with an emphasis in a soil or water related field. A recommendation from an ASABE Texas Section member is beneficial but not mandatory. Find application [HERE](#)! Applications due **April 30, 2020!**

Apply to be a Water Ambassador



Do you have interest in learning more about water, an increasingly important resource? 4-H Water Ambassadors gain advanced knowledge and develop leadership skills related to the science, technology, engineering and management of water in Texas. 4-H members 14 years old and up, don't miss your chance to apply for your spot in this award winning program! Applications due **May 15, 2020!** Click [HERE](#) for more!

Selection Criteria:

- Senior age (14-18) 4-H youth that exhibit a genuine interest in water/natural resources and a commitment to leadership
- Student has demonstrated leadership qualities and a willingness to help others
- Student resides in a county/district currently not represented or under-represented by existing 4-H Water Ambassadors

How to Apply:

2. Applicant goes to www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com to download application instructions
3. Student will complete the online application at <https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/water/index.html>
4. Applications reviewed and up to (30) students are selected
5. County extension agents notified of selected students in their county
6. Applications due May 15, 2020

Please contact David Smith: davidsmith@tamu.edu if you have any questions regarding the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program.

Salute to Excellence Award

Nominations OPEN!



Nominations are now being accepted now through **Monday, March 16, 2020- Deadline Extended until Monday, March 23, 2020** for the Salute to Excellence recognition luncheon scheduled for Wednesday, June 10 during the 2020 Texas 4-H Roundup. Nominations are now open 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. For full award criteria and guidelines please see the [information packet](#). The six recognition categories are:

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

PRIOR HONOREES

Please review the [list](#) of previous winners mentioned above to ensure the person you are nominating has not been honored with the award previously. An award can only be presented one-time to an individual and/or supporter. Descriptions of each category can be found in the [Volunteer Recognition Packet link](#)

Please take a few minutes and nominate individuals or groups for their efforts. I know it's a busy time of year for most of us, but we all know the value of our volunteers and donors, so please don't miss the opportunity to publicly recognize them! And don't hesitate to nominate someone you may have nominated in the past, but was not selected to receive the award. We usually have more nominees than we have awards to present.

Online nominations accepted: Today – March 16, 2020

Salute to Excellence luncheon: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 in College Station

With questions reach out to Laura Huebinger at lhuebinger@ag.tamu.edu.

Summer Camps 2020! Texas 4-H Center

- **Information:** - Registration for Summer Programs at Lake Brownwood starts **February 1, 2020** information available at texas4hcenter.tamu.edu.
- The Mission Possible Mentor applications are now open online at [this LINK](#). 4-H Members currently in the 8th grade and up are eligible to apply. This service learning opportunity allows 4-H members to be partnered with Mission Possible campers to provide a safe and fun camp experience for all. Mentor applications are due on **March 20th, 2020** and mentors will be notified by April 3rd, 2020 on their mentor status.
- Mission Possible Mentors must be available June 28-July 1 to attend training and camp at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood, Texas. Contact Cari Snider at cari.snider@ag.tamu.edu with any questions.



The flyer features a green circular logo with a four-leaf clover and the text "TEXAS 4-H CENTER LAKE BROWNWOOD". A yellow sticky note with a green pushpin says "Summer Camps 2020". A photo shows two children climbing a wooden wall. Below is a table of camps:

4-H Fishing Camp	June 17-19	\$240/\$130
STEM Camp	June 17-19	\$240/\$130
Horizons	June 28-July 2	\$300/\$160
Mission Possible Mentor Training	June 28	\$125
Mission Possible Camp	June 29- July 1	\$175/\$120
County Camp I	July 2-4	\$200/\$110
County Camp II	July 6-8	\$200/\$110
Outdoor Adventure Camp	July 8-10	\$200/\$110
Prime Time I	July 12-15	\$250/\$135
Prime Time II	July 15-18	\$250/\$135

Register online at texas4hcenter.tamu.edu




- 3rd Grade and up
- All camp enrollment is based on grade in 2020-2021 school year
- 4-H membership is NOT required
- Pay deposit by June 14th or pay full amount
- Late fee \$50
- All adult volunteers must enroll as a 4-H volunteer, have verified background check, and complete child protection training in 4-H Connect prior to camp.

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

2020 4-H Outdoor Challenge! Texas 4-H Center



When: June 21-22, 2020- Click [HERE](#) for more information!

San Antonio Humane Society Student Service Project – March 27, 2020

- **Information:** Local Bexar County 4-H member Abby Hartfiel NEEDS YOUR HELP! She is collecting newspapers to donation to the San Antonio Humane Society. Help Abby by bringing recycled newspaper to the Bexar County Extension Office (3355 Cherry Ridge Dr., S-212, SATX 78230) from now until March 27, 2020!

San Antonio Stockyards Historical Society Trail Ride Event – March 28, 2020

- **Information:** The San Antonio Stockyards Historical Society will be hosting a 2-hour trail ride event presented by SA Stockyards and The Land Heritage Institute. This program is \$25 per horse/rider and includes dinner and a hoedown. The event benefits the San Antonio Stockyards Historical Society which is looking to sponsor 4-H & FFA clubs in San Antonio's Westside. See flyer [HERE](#).

Citizenship Washington Focus: Presidential Inauguration Opportunity!

- **Information:** - Registration is now open for this special session of Citizenship Washington Focus. 4-H'ers ages 14-19 will learn the intricacies of the Executive branch and explore their role in citizenship. We want to provide a once-in-a-lifetime experience for youth and for this reason, priority will be given to groups with at least four youths to each adult. Don't miss this monumental event in history!
 - **For more Information please visit this [WEBSITE](#)**
 - **To Register please go here: <https://4-h.org/parents/presidential-inauguration/#!register-for-cwf-pi>**
 - **If you are interested in attending the event, please in addition to registering via the link above, email Dr. Williams at Montza.Williams@ag.tamu.edu *Please note that this is NOT registration***

Kids Baking Championship! **NEW**

Food Network's "Kids Baking Championship" is currently casting the next season and searching nationwide for kids ages 9-13 who love to bake! Kids Baking Championship is a fun baking competition show where kids compete in a series of baking challenges such as creating a specific type of dessert.

More information can be found here:

<https://www.foodnetwork.com/shows/kids-baking-championship>

For a chance to audition, parents can fill out an application for their child here:

<https://bakingchampionshipcasting.castingcrane.com/>

We encourage anyone with a passion for baking to apply! If producers want to move forward, they will be in touch to discuss additional details.

SBE Department Announcement- Cardboard Kits Have Arrived! **NEW**

Call 210-335-1937 Today to Reserve your Cardboard Kid!

Step
1

Pick Up the Kids
Visit SBE March 6 - 7 or
March 13 - 14 to pickup
your cardboard kids

Step
2

Be Creative!
Dress up and decorate
your cardboard kid
however you like.

Step
3

See & Be Seen!
Place your cardboard kid in a
highly visible location on
reveal day, April 2nd, and
watch for others.

Step
4

 **Be Social!**
If you discover a cardboard
kid, snap a photo and spread
the word. #Cardboardkidssal

Cardboard Kids Have Arrived in the Small Business & Entrepreneurship Department!



In 2019, there were 5,867 confirmed cases of child abuse and neglect in Bexar County. While that number is staggering, it's just as shocking to learn that only 1 in 10 sexually abused children ever make an outcry, meaning thousands more children in and around San Antonio are victims of abuse, typically by someone the child knows, loves, and trusts.

To bring awareness to this incredibly urgent issue, ChildSafe created the Cardboard Kids Campaign. Cardboard Kids are 2-foot tall cardboard figures shaped like children that represent one of the thousands of children that are abused and neglected at the hands of adults in our Bexar County community each year. This is ChildSafe's **fifth year** to collaborate with local businesses, clubs, organizations and individuals to decorate and display a Cardboard Kid representing one of the thousands of children who suffer from abuse and neglect at the hands of adults in Bexar County every year.

Community members, businesses, and families are encouraged to decorate and display their own Cardboard Kids on "**Reveal Day**" on **April 2nd**, to create awareness about child abuse and neglect and our mission of ending child abuse in Bexar County.

2020 PVAMU Goat Giveaway Program **NEW**

The CEP 4-H Goat Kid Giveaway Program is accepting applications from FFA, 4-H, and other youth 8 – 18 years of age! This program is looking for applicants that have the resources and knowledge to properly take care of the goat, as well as showing commitment toward furthering their goat and overall 4-H involvement. Applicants do not need previous experience in raising goats to enter this program. **Application DUE Wednesday, April 1, 2020.** Click [HERE](#) for Application!

2020 PVAMU 4-H Youth Lab

NEW

Free educational residential summer program focused on STEM for current 8th-11th graders! Youth Lab will be held on the campus of Prairie View A&M University, and transportation will be provided. This program is sponsored by The San Antonio Livestock Exposition. Please submit a Youth Lab Camp Application by April 30, 2020, at 11:59PM to Sayako Seymour (sayako.seymour@ag.tamu.edu) **Application DUE Thursday, April 30**. Click [HERE](#) for Application!



The poster features a central white hexagon with a yellow border containing the event title and dates. To the right of the hexagon is a yellow circle with the application deadline. The background is a dark blue-grey with a large, expressive yellow brushstroke. Logos for Prairie View A&M University, the 4-H clover, and the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo are positioned at the top. A white box at the bottom provides contact information for the CEP 4-H Agent, Sayako Seymour. A small disclaimer is located at the very bottom of the poster.

**2020
4-H Youth Lab**

**Tuesday, July 14th
– Friday, July 17th**

**Applications
due April 30**

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Sayako Seymour (sayako.seymour@ag.tamu.edu) for application and details.**

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2020 DISTRICT 10 COMMUNITY SERVICE



Hey, District 10 4-H!

This year for our annual community service project we are asking each county to collect as many socks and coats as they can. These items will be donated and given to those in need.

Each county is responsible for keeping track of the number of items collected and distributing them to their local shelters. Each county will need to report the total number of items they collect to the District 10 Council.

- Please report your numbers to: mmlogan@ag.tamu.edu
- Deadline to report: **June 17, 2020**

❖ We ask that socks be purchased new.

❖ Coats can be new or gently used.

Don't forget that the amount you collect counts towards the **RODE CUP**



WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CAMP

The Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society's Wildlife Conservation Camp is designed for high school students who have completed the 9th grade or higher. Hands-on, outdoor activities are led by wildlife professionals.

Campers will study:

- ⇒ Wildlife and Plant Identification
- ⇒ Wildlife and Habitat Management Techniques
- ⇒ Conservation Ethics & Land Stewardship
- ⇒ Wildlife Trapping and Surveying Techniques
- ⇒ Predator-prey Dynamics
 - ⇒ Fishing
 - ⇒ Hunter safety
- ⇒ Shooting Sports and so much more!



July 12-18, 2020

Application Deadline:

May 1, 2020

Location:

Welder Wildlife
Foundation



For more information, contact: Angie Arredondo at

wildlifecampdirector@gmail.com

www.wildlifecamptx.org

NEW

Egg to Chick Program



**An Egg and Embryo Life Science Curriculum
Provided by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service**



SPOTS ARE OPEN NOW, FOR THE SPRING SEMESTER!

- “Experiential” approach to teaching life science
- Incubate and hatch chicken eggs in your classroom
- Targets K-12th grades in public, charter, private, or home schools in Bexar County
- Project length is 21-25 days
- TEKS aligned curriculum provided
- Extension office provides incubator and eggs, Extension Agent presence, a chick starter kit, and curriculum materials for a \$50 rental fee.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Caroline Weyerts

Assistant Extension Agent

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Bexar County

210-631-0400

caroline.mclaren@ag.tamu.edu



**TEXAS A&M
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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 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.

Mark your Calendars for upcoming County Trainings:

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Record Book Training	3/26/2020	@ 6:30 PM	Bexar Ext. Office S-208
Scholarship Training	4/2/2020	@ 6:30 PM	Bexar Ext. Office S-208
Club Manager Training 1	6/2/2020	@ 10 AM OR @ 6:30 PM	Bexar Ext. Office S-208
Club Manager Training 2	7/7/2020	@ 10 AM OR @ 6:30 PM	Bexar Ext. Office S-208

Early Childhood Educator Training Series

- **Information:** Please join us for the Early Childhood Educator Training Series with classes ongoing from Jan. 28 until Oct. 27. Cost is \$24 (per person) for 3 sessions or \$80 per person for the entire series. Series focuses on Early Childhood care including: child behavior & discipline, pre-school gardening, baby basis, and much more. Please see the full flier for details and registration information: [FLYER HERE](#).

2020 Science & Math Summer Academy – Sponsored by St. Phillip’s College

- **Information:** Youth ages 11-15 years old are invited to experience the Science & Math Summer Academy sponsored by St. Phillips College taking place: July 6 – July 23, 2020 from 9am – 4pm at the St. Phillip’s campus. See [flyer](#) & [promo video](#) for more details. Program highlights include:
 - Encourages kids to experiment in our “real” laboratories, Field trip every week, Free lunches– never boring!
 - July 6-23 (Mondays – Thursdays)

2020 4-H Veterinary Science Summer Camps

- **Information:** The following 4-H Veterinary Science Camps will be hosted as follows:
 - Camp 1 – Jun 8-11, 2020 @ Texas A&M, College Station
 - Camp 2 – Jun 15-17, 2020 @ Texas A&M, Kingsville
 - Camp 3 – Jul 13-15, 2020 @ West Texas A&M, Canyon

Goal: Learn how to perform clinical skills on animals under veterinary supervision and earn 33 clinical skill hours.

Cost: \$225 (includes room, meals, and materials)

Deadline: April 6, 2020 by 5:00 PM Online submission:

Qualtrics Requirements: 4-H member (age 12-18 as of September 1, 2019)

Each camp is limited to 25 participants. Applicants will be notified by April 30, 2020, if they are accepted.

Contact: Tyler Vogel at tyler.vogel@ag.tamu.edu

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!

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!

- Is that Text Really Worth it? March 17th
- The Harmful Effects of Alcohol April 14th

Missed a training? Here are the recordings of past online learning seminars:

- **Social Media: Friend or Foe:** [HERE](#) is the link!
- **Physical Activity for Life:** [HERE](#) is the link!
- **Sun Smart:** [HERE](#) is the link!
- **Bullying Prevention:** [HERE](#) is the link!
- **Fast Food and Healthy Eating:** [HERE](#) is the link!

TAMU Virtual Horse Judging Academy

- **Information:** The TAMU Virtual Horse Judging Academy is open for registration! This is a 12 week online course available at agrilifelearn.tamu.edu, that offers a very personal and immersive learning experience through the following features:
Weekly webinars to discuss and evaluate classes lead by TAMU faculty and students (Tuesday evenings from 6:00pm to 7:00pm) Access to instructors for question and answer interactions & access to online learning and practice materials. Individual feedback on video submitted reasons (2 sets/week), including score and critique. Select content will be presented in Virtual Reality. A VR headset will be shipped to each registered user, mobile device required.
- The first webinar will be held on **Feb. 25th** and we are limiting this course to 25 seats. Please pass this info along to anyone that might be interested in enrolling. Great learning opportunity for individuals, teams and/or coaches. Any questions can be directed to texashorsehelp@tamu.edu.

Summer Horsemanship School Program

- **Information:** The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Horsemanship School program is designed to provide you all the tools you need to host a one-of-a-kind Horse clinic in your County. To learn more on how to get started, please see the program flyer [HERE](#).

Texas 4-H Roping School – June 21-25, 2020

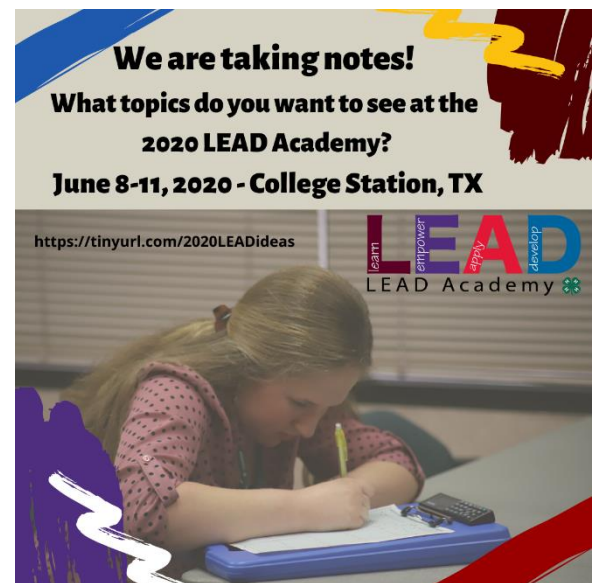
- **Information:** On June 21-25, 2020, the Statewide Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School will be held in Stephenville, Texas at the Tarleton State University Challenge Arena. This event has been developed in order to encourage young people to develop leadership skills and work with younger members in roping activities in 4-H. Participation is open to all districts, on a first-come, first-serve basis (priority to those are 12 years of age and older.)

The cost of the school will be \$425.00 for the week. There is a limited number of stalls--Therefore, a maximum of one horse per applicant is allowed. Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the Roping School. If a youth registers for the school and then qualifies for the National Jr High Finals, then a full refund will be provided. For full information please see:

- [Announcement Letter](#)
[Participant Application](#) – Due no later than May 1st IF all spots have not filled up at that time.
[Adult Leader Application](#)
[Code of Conduct](#)
[Rules for Participation](#)
[Medical Release](#)

2020 LEAD Academy, June 8-11, 2020 – Propose learning topics!

Information: LEAD Academy is a Texas 4-H conference being held **June 8-11, 2020** in College Station for 4-H members currently in high school and our 4-H adult volunteers and parents! Youth attendees will have an opportunity to learn about college opportunities and what it takes to get there, serve their community, and gain valuable life skills in a true college setting. Adult attendees will have the chance to connect with other volunteers and parents. Our goal is to provide useful information for 4-H volunteers and parents so they may learn how to improve their skills as a 4-H leader in their community. **2020 LEAD Academy is right around the corner!** We want to make sure workshops are about topics that YOU want to hear! We are looking for ideas for *both YOUTH and ADULT workshops*. The adult track will be new this year. Feel free to send in multiple submissions with as many ideas as you can think of! Both youth and adults may submit ideas. Survey found [HERE](#).



Youth Conservation & Leader Summer Camps Sponsored by the Texas Brigades

- **Information:** Texas Brigades Summer Camp application deadline is **March 15** – Please see [flyer](#) for a full list of their camp offerings as well as their website <https://www.texasbrigades.org/>. In particular, the South Texas Bobwhite Brigade and South Texas Buckskin Brigade have many spaces open, so if you know youth who love quail and deer, encourage them to apply.



CONTEST PAGE:



*At this time, we waiting to hear if District Roundup contests will be held as scheduled. We are being advised to instruct ALL 4-H members interested in participating to register on 4-H Connect prior to **March 24th**, 2020. IF the contests are canceled, your payment will be canceled, and no funds withdrawn from your account.*

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

2019-2020 County – District – State Dates

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

County Photography Entries DUE – March 16, 2020- **Deadline Extended Until March, 23rd by 5:00 PM**

County Project Show – **April 17 (Drop Off Night) & 18 (Show), 2020**

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

District Meat Judging - 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 (College Station, TX) – 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 (Huntsville, TX Walker Co. Fairgrounds)– July 10-11, 2020

Texas 4-H Congress (Austin, TX) – July 12-15, 2020

State 4-H Horse Show – TBA July, 2020

2019-2020 COUNTY CONTESTS

- ✓ ***NEW*** 2019-2020 County Photography Contest **Deadline Extended Until March 23rd, 2020**. Photos Due to Extension Office by 5:00 PM!
- ✓ [2019-2020 County Project Show Rules & Registration Information](#) – **DUE April 1, 2020**
- ✓ 2019-2020 County Share the Fun Contest Information – COMING SOON!

2019-2020 DISTRICT CONTEST UPDATES

- ✓ Deadline for D-10 Spring Roundup is March 24, 2020. Late Deadline is March 26th +\$25 LATE FEE
- ✓ ***UPDATED*** [2019-2020 D-10 Spring Roundup Guide \(Includes ALL Spring Contests\)](#) **Update to Livestock Judging Schedule**
- ✓ [2019-2020 Share the Fun Letter](#)
- ✓ [2019 – 2020 Duds to Dazzle Letter](#) *Updated*
- ✓ [2019 – 2020 Fashion Show Letter](#)
- ✓ [2019 – 2020 Fashion Storyboard Letter](#)
- ✓ [2019-2020 Meat Judging Letter](#) **Update to price of contest: \$15 per entry**

2019-2020 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTESTS

- ✓ [2020 County Photography Rules](#)
- ✓ [2019 – 2020 State Photography Rules](#) (Applies ONLY to Senior Age Division members who qualify from County)

2020 RECORDBOOK UPDATES

County Recordbooks & Awards DUE: June 15, 2020 @ 8AM

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

2020 TEXAS STATE ROUNDUP UPDATES

- ✓ Theme Released: Embrace the Past, Empower the Present, and Envision the Future!
- ✓ [2020 Contest Changes and Reminders](#)
- ✓ [2020 Updated Roundup Guide](#)
- ✓ [2020 Hotel Room Block List & Contact Information](#)
- ✓ ***NEW*** [Photography Judging Resource Guide](#)

2020 TEXAS STATE DOG SHOW UPDATES

- ✓ [2020 State Dog Show Rules](#)
- ✓ [2020 State Dog Show Photography Contest](#) – Pg. 28 of State Dog Show Rules

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>
- **3-D Archery Shoot for All 4-H Members** – April 4, 2020 @ Helotes Ag Booster Club Youth Ranch
 - Open Unlimited, Bowhunter, & Traditional
 - Cost: Pre-registration Youth: \$10 & Adult: \$15 – Cost: On-Site Youth \$15 & Adult \$20
 - Must complete [Registration & Waiver Letter HERE](#).

2020 Guadalupe County 4-H GEAR Robotics Challenge – April 4, 2020

- **Information:** Guadalupe County is hosting a 4-H GEAR Robotics Challenge on Saturday April 4, 2020 at the Guadalupe Extension Office (210 E Live Oak St., Seguin TX 78115). If interested, please see flyer information [HERE](#) on how to register for this event!

Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge – June 21 – 22, 2020

- **Information:** Get outdoors this summer and put your knowledge to the test! Register today to ensure a spot in this one of a kind event! Registration will be held on 4-H Connect from **Apr. 15 – May 15**. For schedule, full list of resources for this contest and more, please see promotion flyer [HERE](#).

2020 West Texas 4-H Invitational Hippology Contest

- **Information:** Members interested in Horse Judging are invited to the West Texas 4-H Invitational Hippology Contest held in San Angelo, TX, Sunday, April 5, 2020. Early Bird Deadline to register is March 29, 2020. See flyer for more details [HERE](#).

Audition to Sing National Anthem at Texas 4-H Roundup

- **Information:** Calling all 4-H alumni, current 4-H members and Clover Kids! Help us Embrace the Past, Empower the Present and Envision the Future at the 2020 Texas 4-H Roundup. This year Texas 4-H Council would like to highlight 4-H from past to present. On Tuesday, that are looking for a 4-H Alumni to sing the National Anthem. Then on Wednesday a current Intermediate or Senior age 4-H member would perform. They would like to close the week featuring a Junior 4-H member or Clover kid. DEADLINE is Wednesday, April 1. Apply [HERE](#)!

2020 Top Tomato Contest

The 2020 'Top Tomato' Contest will be hosted at Fanick's Nursery and ran by the Bexar County Master Gardeners on **Saturday, May 30th**! Click [HERE](#) for more information!

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.