



# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**4-H Office CLOSED until 9/8/20**

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## DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

**As a reminder, 4-H programming (Club meetings, project meetings, events or contests) will be cancelled/postponed until **Sept. 8, 2020****

- AUG 20 - [LawnStarter Lawntrepreneur Scholarship](#)
- AUG 21 – County Record Book, Awards, Photos PICK UP Day 10-12pm
- AUG 22 – County Record Book, Awards, Photos PICK UP Day 10-12pm
- AUG 26 - [Titus/Coryell County 4-H Online Plant Identification Contest Due](#)
- AUG 30 – [2020 Fall Shotshell Program Order Period Closes](#)
- **SEP 1 – 2020-2021 4-H Year BEGINS!**
- **SEP 8- Club Meetings Resume & 4-H Office Opens (Please see details [Pg.4](#))**
- **SEP 16 – Chocolate Fundraiser Pre-Order Form Due**
- SEP 17 – County Council Meeting & Elections @ 7PM Location TBA
- SEP 17 – [Texas Junior Master Photographer Workshop 1 Deadline](#)
- **SEP 23 – Chocolate Fundraiser Pick-Up Night!**
- OCT 7-18 – [Fall Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply Co.!](#)
- **OCT 8 – Lamb & Goat Validation (3:30-6PM) @ O'Connor**
- **OCT 10 – One Day 4-H!**
- **OCT 15 – Lamb & Goat Validation (3 -6PM) @ James Madison**
- OCT 17 – County Roundup Contest (Pub. Spkg/Ed.Pres.) **\*May be Virtual\***
- **OCT 21 – Lamb & Goat Validation (5-7PM) @ East Central**
- **OCT 24 – Fall Heifer Validation (9-11AM) @ East Central**
- **OCT 28-30 – Major Show Entry HELP DAY (8am-5pm)**
- **NOV 1 – Enrollment Fee goes up +\$5!**
- **NOV 3-5 – Major Show Entry HELP DAY (8am-5pm)**
- **NOV 5 – Major Stock Show Entries DUE to County Ext. Office!**
- NOV 19 - County Council Meeting @ 7PM Location TBA
- DEC 1-3 – District 10 Fall Roundup Contests in Kerrville, TX
- DEC 7 – [Texas Junior Master Photographer Workshop 2 Deadline](#)

Please pay attention to and **READ** the 4-H Newsletter! If you're not receiving one in your inbox, contact Natalie and get the issue resolved. Email correspondence is going to pick up, so get ready!

# ⚠️ QUICK LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS! ⚠️

## 2020-2021 Bexar 4-H Chocolate Sale Fundraiser

**Information:** Chocolate sales have been a very successful fundraiser for the Bexar County 4-H Council. Funds from the sales allow the council to pay for a wide variety of 4-H activities such as contests, trainings and awards! Your club receives a rebate of **\$12.00 per \$60 worth** of chocolate you sell to help you support your club activities. Please join us in this important event!

Chocolate pick-up is scheduled for **September 23, 2020**. We will be doing a No-Contact Curbside pickup so it is imperative you schedule ONE representative of your club to pick up your order. World's Finest Chocolate is still willing to sponsor goodie bags for attendees. Please **RSVP** with the [Pre-Order Form](#), due to our office on or before Wednesday, **September 16th** by email ([ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu)).

## Important SAVE THE DATES

**County Council Meetings:** **Sept 17, 2020 (Thurs.)** – **Officer Elections for the 2020-2021 4-H Year**

- **Nov 19 (Thurs.)**, **Jan 21 (Thurs.)**, **Mar 18 (Thurs.)**, **May 20 (Thurs.)** – Officer Elections for 2021-2022 4-H Year

**County/District/State Contest Projected Dates:** Please see **pages: 14-15** of the NEWSLETTER!



## \*\*\*2020 County Record Books & Awards PICK UP DAYS\*\*\*



I'm sure many of your members are eager to receive their Record Books, Pins and awards they've earned. **We will be doing a curbside pick-up for Record Books, Awards, & County Photos on **Friday Aug. 21 from 10am to NOON** OR **Saturday Aug. 22 from 10am to NOON****. You can pick up items on behalf of another family but communicate you are doing so beforehand!

## 2020 ANIMAL VALIDATION DATES

### Late Tag Orders:

**NEW**

Major Show Lamb/Goat Tag Orders were due **Aug. 14, 2020**. If you did NOT get your order in, please fill out this [FORM](#) and return to the Extension Office via mail or drop slot ASAP.

**\*Late Tags now cost \$30!**

### SHEEP/GOATS:

October 8 @ 3:30-6PM O'Connor  
October 15 @ 3-6PM James Madison  
October 21 @ 5-7PM East Central

### FALL HEIFER VALIDATION

October 24 @ 9-11 AM East Central

### SWINE:

Nov10 @ 4-7PM Judson  
Nov 14 @ 1-3 PM O'Connor  
Nov 17 @ 4-7PM  
Southwest HS  
Nov 23 @ 4-7PM Madison

**Tag Order Price: ~~\$17 per State Tag~~, **\$30 per Late State Tag****


**2020-2021 Major Stock Show updates on Page 6-7 of the Newsletter!**


# 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 (<https://texashelp.tamu.edu/coronavirus-information-resources/>). 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:

 a. All AgriLife face-to-face meetings have been cancelled at this time. This status will be reviewed based on the statewide public health disaster declaration made by the Governor. All 4-H Programming will be suspended until **Tuesday September 8, 2020.**

 b. ***Our physical office will be closed until Monday, September 7, 2020.*** Currently, we are implementing a telecommuting solution to minimize as much person to person contact as possible. We can be reached during normal office hours at 210-631-0400. ***\*After September 8<sup>th</sup>, we will reopen at a 25% staff capacity and will meet with clientele via appointment ONLY to minimize foot traffic in the office.***

**CURRENT POLICY ON 4-H CLUB MEETINGS:** Regular Face-to-Face meetings can resume after on/after Tuesday September 8, 2020. Meeting Guidelines/Checklist for Club Managers must be adhered to, and a WAIVER for participating members is highly encouraged to keep on file. We know this is a unprecedented situation, please be sure to communicate with the County Extension Office if you have questions regarding the new Guidelines/Procedures.

## 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 and stay home if you are feeling sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- 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.



# Guidelines for Conducting Adult and 4-H Meetings



Howdy Bexar County 4-H,

I know many clubs are eager to begin meeting and kick off the new 4-H Year. We want to support our youth 100% in participating in our 4-H program this year. Despite all the challenges 2020 gave us, we anticipate a successful year for 20-21 because we are more prepared and can anticipate these changes.

The plan is to begin allowing 4-H Clubs to meet face-to-face when our County Extension Office reopens. **The date set for this is Tuesday September 8, 2020.** Due to many challenges we are asking each and every ONE OF YOU to help us maintain a safe and healthy environment for all! Please download and read the following guidelines below for conducting adult and 4-H meetings, programs, and events. As we look into the new 4-H year, we hope this resource will be helpful in determining the steps you need to take or not take to put a meeting, program or event together. If you ever have any questions or need guidance in this area please do not hesitate to contact me at [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) OR 210-857-9285.

Additionally, we have also included a **COVID-19 Screening Letter and Waiver Form** for your use with members. We do NOT require that you have a waiver form for every club meeting you hold, but you should collect this from each member at least once at the start of the year so they understand the health & safety guidelines they are expected to uphold throughout the year. Again, we wish everyone a safe, healthy and successful year!


- [Guidelines for Conducting Adult & 4-H Meetings](#)
- [COVID-19 Screening Letter & Waiver Form](#)

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Bexar County

# 4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS


## 2020-2021 VALIDATION DATES

4-H Members planning to show a state validated animal at the Major shows should mark your calendar with the validation dates for the upcoming 4-H Year. County validation will also occur during these events. If you have any questions please contact Sam Womble at [Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu) or Chris Lambert at [Christopher.Lambert@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Christopher.Lambert@ag.tamu.edu)

<p><b>Late Tag Orders:</b> </p> <p>Major Show Lamb/Goat Tag Orders were due <b>Aug. 14, 2020</b>. If you did NOT get your order in, please fill out this <a href="#">FORM</a> and return to the Extension Office via mail or drop slot ASAP.</p> <p><b>*Late Tags now cost \$30!</b></p>	<p><b>SHEEP/GOATS: Tag Orders Due: 8/14</b></p> <p>October 8 @ 3:30-6PM O'Connor October 15 @ 3-6PM James Madison October 21 @ 5-7PM East Central</p> <p><b>FALL HEIFER VALIDATION</b></p> <p>October 24 @ 9-11 AM Easter Central</p>	<p><b>SWINE:</b></p> <p>Nov10 @ 4-7PM Judson Nov 14 @ 1-3 PM O'Connor Nov 17 @ 4-7PM Southwest HS Nov 23 @ 4-7PM Madison</p>
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### Updates on Lamb/Goat Validation:

#### Information:

-  Tag order deadline has passed. Late tags need to be ordered ASAP at \$30 per tag. FORM [HERE](#)
- Tags are \$30/ea. **If you are going to show through 4-H, turn in your order form to the Extension Office!**

#### Few Reminders:

- All Market Lambs, Market Goats, Breeding Sheep, Wether Dams, Breeding Goats, and Wether Does **will use the same RFID validation tag.**  
All Market Lambs, Market Goats, Breeding Sheep, Wether Dams, Breeding Goats, and Wether Does **will be on the same form.**
- Market Lambs and Goats may be family validated, however Breeding Sheep and Goats must only have one exhibitor per animal (this includes wether dams and does).
- Exhibitors with breeding sheep and goats will **need to have registration papers** available at validation.
- Wether Dams & Wether Does are breeding animals and must be entered on the Breeding section of the validation form.

**LAMBS AND GOATS VALIDATED FOR THE STATE FAIR OF TEXAS MUST BE REVALIDATED FOR THE 2020-2021 SPRING/WINTER MAJOR SHOWS. STATE FAIR OF TEXAS LAMB AND GOAT VALIDATION TAGS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE MAJOR SHOWS.**

Texas Lamb Breeders Association (TLBA) and Texas Goat Breeders Association (TGBA) tag numbers MUST be in the animal's ear and be recorded on the validation form at validation. **NO TLBA or TGBA tag numbers will be added to the validation forms after the forms are submitted to the Sheep and Goat Validation of Texas program.** Market lambs and wether does must have a TLBA tag to be eligible to compete in the San Angelo Stock Show.

**New Market Lamb Guidelines:** If you exhibit market lambs, please reference the new guidelines uploaded [HERE](#).



## **2020-2021 Major Stock Show Updates & Entry Forms- PLEASE READ**

**ALL MAJOR SHOW ENTRY FORMS WILL BE DUE Thursday NOVEMBER 5, 2020**

**\*Includes Livestock Exhibitors, Judging Contests, & Junior Shootout/Shooting Contests**

**Late Fee for Entry Forms will be \$100.**

**Additionally, there will be an additional deadline for corrections to be made on incorrect entries. Nov. 10 (Tues) is the deadline for entry corrections before the late fee is assessed.**

Major Show Stock Show entries can be a very time consuming, confusing and tedious process! We want to assist you with your entry forms but need your help in getting your entries in a timely manner. Due to the restrictions of staffing capacity in the office, both Sam and Natalie will be doing their best to be accessible during Stock Show entry time but will be very shorthanded this Fall. Therefore, we ask that you please get your entries in as early as possible so we can check/correct entries as they arrive. We will be available IN-PERSON all day on **October 28-30** and **November 3-5** from 8am – 5pm to assist you in-person. Outside of this time period you will need to set up an appointment with Sam Womble at [Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu) or Natalie Cervantes [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) .

**Eligibility Guidelines:** The 2019-20 school year was a year unlike any other. The 2020-21 school year is creating issues unprecedented in history under circumstances that are different for *every ISD* and *every 4-H member*. Due to the conditions surrounding 4-H participation and the various learning options available to students this year, additional clarification will be provided regarding academic eligibility throughout the year. **Families are encouraged to know and understand school policy regarding learning options and the implications for participating in various activities.** Regardless of a 4-H member's school instructional status (face-to-face, virtual, homeschool, etc.), all youth who meet the age/grade requirements are eligible for 4-H membership. **To participate in 4-H competitive activities or events that require missing school time, 4-H members must be academically eligible.**

Just a few updates and reminders for you to be aware of:

1. The Extension office remains closed to the public until Sept. 8th and we will not be fully staffed in the near future.
2. Remember to re-enroll on 4-H Connect for the upcoming 4-H year starting on Sept. 1. Resources on Pg.8.
3. If you're changing age categories (Jr, Int, Senior), you'll need to re-test on Quality Counts. Don't wait until the last minutes to get it done. Take care of it now.
4. Please do your best to follow our deadlines. Without being in the office consistently, deadlines are more important than ever. If material is late, you'll be charged a late fee.
5. If you need help or have questions call Sam Womble or Natalie Cervantes. Sam's Cell: 361-649-5836 or Natalie's Cell: 210-857-9285. Feel free to send videos/pictures to Sam if you need advice on your livestock projects.
6. If you have any training needs or ideas, let us know and we'll try to get something put together virtually.
7. Information regarding the Bexar County Junior Livestock Show is pending. The board is looking at a few different options.

**We will be posting online Entry forms, instructions, and the Summary Sheet ONLINE on our [New Major Show Entry Help Page](#).**

## STOCK SHOW UPDATES:

**State Fair of Texas:** Be sure to check the show's website at <https://www.bigtex.com> for the latest information. The State Fair of Texas has released a revised schedule for junior livestock exhibitors.

### Heart of Texas Fair

- Updated show schedule found online at <http://www.hotfair.com>
- Purebred and crossbred division in the breeding gilt show. Purebreds must be state validated, crossbreds do not have to be validated.
- Lambs will be classified with the newly revised classification guidelines.

### Fort Worth

- Any exhibitor who makes a material misrepresentation regarding entries subjects themselves to being barred from all further competition.
- Junior Heifer Show – a representative from each county 4-H or FFA chapter must obtain a packet from the superintendent's office containing their groups show numbers for their entries. Exhibitor's are responsible for verifying their show number/entry to the superintendent's office.
- Minimum weight for steers is 1,000 pounds.

### San Antonio

- There will be a \$10,000 scholarship awarded to the Champion Dorper Market Lamb in 2021.
- Junior heifers will be split into two groups, Group 1: Feb. 15-17; Group 2: Feb. 18-19. Group 1 will consist of all American breeds and ONLY Simmentals entered in the Superbowl. Group 2 will consist of all British and Continental breeds.
- Market barrow maximum weight will increase to 290. Weight range will be 240-290.
- Premium pass (expedited arrival service at SCP) will be available for the junior market barrow show.

**Texas Elite Showcase:** There will be a white crossbred breed added.

### San Angelo

- There will no longer be a sale option for market steers. Any steer placing 1st or 2nd will be required to sell.
- Plans are in place to offer a sheep and goat skill-a-thon.
- Crossbred gilts can only show in the Stars Gilt Show. The Stars Gilt Show has a sale associated with it.
- All market lambs must be TLBA bred and have the TLBA tag number recorded on the validation form.

### Houston

- Open/Junior Breeding Sheep – March 1-3
- Junior Gilt Show – March 4-5
- Plans are to adjust market barrow weights to be more in line with industry standards. More information will be forthcoming.

## **Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Update & Updated Local Show Practices**



**NEW**

## Enrolling on 4-H Online (formerly 4-H Connect) for the 2020-2021 Year

- **Information:** With things still being worked on with 4-H Online, I would recommend having all families wait to register until **September 1, 2020** when all of the issues are worked out of the system. Also, NEW 4-H members, specifically those 8 and in the 3rd grade, **need** to wait until the 1st so that the system does not flag them as a clover kid.

## **Family Guides – 4HOnline 2.0 – NEW RESOURCES**

- [Welcome To 4-H Handout](#)
- [Family Profile Guide](#)
- [Enrollment Volunteer Quick Sheets – Renew | New |](#)
- [Enrollment Youth Quick Sheets – Renew | New](#)
- [Credit Card Management](#)
- [Password Management](#)
- [Registration Guide](#)

**NEW**

## Did you miss the 2020 County Awards Program? Watch it HERE ->



## 2020-2021 Bexar County 4-H Chocolate Fundraiser!

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## County Council Meeting Dates RELEASED

- **Information:** All meetings will either be held virtually (if we cannot meet in-person) or at the County Extension Office (3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. S-208, SATX 78230) @ 7PM! First meeting will be **Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>** and ELECTIONS for 20-21 Council. Please come to RUN or VOTE!
- **This year’s theme is “Socially Distanced, NOT Socially Isolated”** – Each meeting will host a presentation/activity on reducing stress and improving our mental health during this stressful time!
  - **Sept 17 (Thurs.)** – Officer Elections for the 2020-2021 4-H Year
  - **Nov 19 (Thurs.)**
  - **Jan 21 (Thurs.)**
  - **Mar 18 (Thurs.)**
  - **May 20 (Thurs.)** – Officer Elections for the 2021-2022 4-H Year





## Texas 4-H Junior Master Photographer (JMP) – Workshop 1 deadline Sept. 17

**Information:** The Texas 4-H Junior Master Photographer (JMP) program provides advanced instruction to photography enthusiasts. As a Junior Master Photographer, youth will be expected to return to their counties and districts to serve as teen leaders for the project. Additionally, Junior Master Photographers may be called upon by the County Extension Agent or 4-H Specialist to serve as photographers for various 4-H events and activities. Only dedicated photography project youth wishing to expand their knowledge as well as service to others should apply for this opportunity. In other words, youth do need to have a good working knowledge of their camera prior to attending this advanced training.

To be a certified Junior Master Photographer, candidates must:

- Be in 7th – 12th grade
- Attend BOTH Workshop I and Workshop II
- Complete a competency test with a minimum score of 80%
- Submit four photos taken by applicant demonstrating understanding of instruction
- Participate in at least one practice event
- Complete a photography community service activity
- Take part in at least two organized project experiences

Although there is no yearly performance requirement, Junior Master Photographers are expected to return to counties and districts to help expand their photography programs. They receive the Junior Master Photographer pin and certificate. Certified JMPs in 9th grade are eligible to apply to the State 4-H Photography Ambassador Program.

The JMP training consists of two one-day workshops. Below are the details for both:

<p><b>JMP Workshop I</b>  Date: <b>Saturday, September 26</b>  Location: Dallas Research and Extension Center  Grades: 7-12  DSLR Camera Required  <b>Deadline: September 17 via 4-H Online</b></p>	<p><b>JMP Workshop II</b> * <i>Must have attended Workshop I</i>  Date: <b>Sunday, December 13</b>  Location: Dallas Research and Extension Center  Grades: 7-12  DSLR Camera Required  <b>Deadline: December 7 via 4-H Online</b></p>
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Dates and locations are subject to change depending on Covid-19 guidelines.

Additional information and contact information can be found [HERE](#).

## Fall 2020 Shotshell Program – August 30<sup>th</sup> Deadline



- **Information:** Team Leaders & Coaches, the **Fall 2020 Shotshell Program** is now open **Aug, 1<sup>st</sup> through Aug, 30<sup>th</sup> (to submit orders)** [CLICK HERE FOR DETAILS](#). Our Customer Service Team will input the orders as they receive them and we will be shipping all orders **Sept 1<sup>st</sup> through Sept 30<sup>th</sup>**. We encourage orders to be paid by credit card if possible and payment will be taken at the time of shipping. In order to expedite the ordering process please do not call in to provide the information unless requested to do so by a Federal representative. Order Forms, available products and ordering details are attached to this email in both Microsoft Word and as a .PDF file for your convenience.

*\*This is for ammo to be used in youth programs exclusively, and is not for resale.\**

*\*Please note the 25 case minimum order restriction – you may mix/match products to get to the 25 case min.\**

### **Reminders and Important Information to Review Before Submitting Your Order**

- Order forms **MUST be signed and dated** certifying your age. If you submit your order without being completed our Customer Service Team will move onto the next order submitted to process so please complete the entire order including signatures in order to expedite processing. Please do not alter the order forms in any way, we must receive them completed and signed in order to process the order.
- We encourage orders to be paid by credit card. If you selected to pay via credit card our Customer Service Department will contact you to acquire the needed information to process your order. Please allow them to contact you for payment when they are ready to process the order. **Calling in early to give your information will only delay your order from being processed.** We will take payment at the time of shipping so expect this to be in September.

## Fall 2020 Shotshell Program – August 30<sup>th</sup> Deadline – CONTINUED...

- If your program is State Sales Tax Exempt you must submit the correct State Sales Tax Exemption paperwork declaring you program as tax exempt with your order. (NOTE: your Federal 501C3 declaration letter is not the correct document.)
- Please do not post this program information publicly, it is exclusive to qualified youth programs only. Contact me with any questions in regards to posting or sharing the program for others.
- We encourage you to register your local program with the Youth Shooting Sports Alliance (YSSA) and submit the directory listing with your order.
  - [www.youthshootingsa.com/add-new-program](http://www.youthshootingsa.com/add-new-program)
- Please share with [education@vistaoutdoor.com](mailto:education@vistaoutdoor.com) any stories and/or photos from your programs.

### **Additional and Upcoming Programs**

- **Spring Shotshell Program (Top Gun Shells)** – The program will be open Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 2020– April 30<sup>th</sup> 2021 and will contain all Federal Top Gun shells. I will send out the order forms for this program at that time.
- **Spring Rimfire Program** – The annual rimfire program will again launch March 1<sup>st</sup> and run through the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- **STEEL Shot Program** – Please contact me for details if your youth program needs to order steel shot target loads. We have a program available.

Please reach out to Jon Zinnel via email ([jon.zinnel@vistaoutdoor.com](mailto:jon.zinnel@vistaoutdoor.com)) with any questions on the program or upcoming programs.

## LawnStarter Lawntrepreneur Scholarship

- **Information:** The Lawntrepreneur Scholarship is our way of funding tomorrow's top entrepreneurs. We're fixing the large and disorganized lawn care industry, and we're willing to grant \$1000 to any student we believe has the potential to change the world through entrepreneurship. If you are interested in starting your own business, we'd love to hear from you.
- **We offer the scholarship to a student each semester. The entry for the Fall semester is May 1st to August 20th and it's open for the Spring semester from August 31st to December 31st.** We will announce the recipient on August 31 and January 2nd of the subsequent year. For application and eligibility requirements please go to: <https://www.lawnstarter.com/scholarship>

## 2020-2021 Texas 4-H Chartering Information – Charters due ASAP

**Information:** Please view and download the [Chartering Packet](#) which includes various support pieces. The documents are also located online at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/management/>.

- 2020-2021 [Texas 4-H Chartering Instructions](#) – Contains all instructions and resources.
- 2020-2021 Charter Agreement.
- Download: [Sample Bylaws](#): The **sample bylaws are developed to serve as a guide** for clubs/groups to use in bylaw development and/or revision. Chartered clubs/groups have flexibility with their bylaws; however, the items in bold in the sample set are required to be in the all bylaws. When you review the sample bylaws, you will notice **LESS bolded/required items**. This does not mean you have to change your bylaws, as long as they meet the minimum requirements, which they should if they were in compliance last year. Club/group bylaws may also not conflict with the Texas 4-H Rules and Guidelines and/or the charter agreement.
- 2019-2020 Financial Review Form: Bank statements uploaded as part of the chartering packet should not include copies of canceled checks. This is for security of the club/group account(s).
- Charter Worksheet for Club/Group Managers to complete and use to fill out information in 4-H CONNECT - This form is simply a worksheet and **should not be uploaded**.
- If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu)

# 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.

## Mark your Calendars for upcoming County Trainings:

**\*Due to COVID-19, our trainings will be held virtually via WebEx! WebEx is suitable with most devices, however in order to hear the presentation your laptop must be set up with a microphone. If you have questions, contact: [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu)**

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Scholarship Training	-	-	PowerPoint: <a href="#">LINK</a>
Advanced Record Book Trg.	-	-	PowerPoint: <a href="#">LINK</a>

**NEW**

## The 4-H STEM Challenge

formerly known as the National Youth Science Day (NYSD), is an annual initiative to inspire kids everywhere to take an interest in science, technology, engineering and math through hands-on learning. With the relaunch of the US space program, now is a perfect time to build upon that excitement. The race to land humans on Mars is on! **The 2020 4-H STEM Challenge will explore sending a mission to Mars with the activity, Mars Base Camp.** Developed by Google and Virginia Cooperative Extension, Mars Base Camp is a collection of activities that teaches kids ages 8-14 STEM skills like mechanical engineering, physics, computer science, and agriculture.

Order your kits today. October is officially 4-H STEM month, so help shine a spotlight on this fast-growing project area. There are two versions of the kit available this year. The "Family-sized Kit" is suitable for 1-4 youth. The "Educator Kit" is ideal for up to 12 youth. Order your kit [HERE](#). Find Educational Resources [HERE](#).

**NEW**

## 4-H Tech Changemakers Program

**Information:** National 4-H has teamed up with Microsoft to develop a program for teens that empowers them to serve as digital ambassadors to create change in their communities. Change is in the form of digital literacy with the goal of breaking the digital divide. If you would like to start a 4-H Tech Changemakers group in your county, you can download the guidebook [HERE](#).

## 4-H AT HOME: MAKING, MEDIA & VISUAL ARTS

- **Information:** 4-H programs across the country are serving as education's first responders, continuing their mission to provide learning resources for all kids in every county. This week's activity theme is making, media and visual arts! Activities here: [4-H at Home Main Page](#)
  - [Paint A Rainforest](#) – Grades 3 – 8
  - [Exploding Baggies](#) – Grades PK- 5
  - [Fizz, Bubble & Goo](#) – Grades K- 12

## **District 10 4-H Virtual Project Groups on Facebook!**

- **Information:** The District 10 4-H Facebook page is hosting several different Virtual 4-H project groups where youth can continue to explore project opportunities and learning experiences from the comfort of their own home! You can join these groups by simply going to the Group page and asking to join! Projects offered:  
[Entomology](#), [Robotics/STEM](#), [Consumer Education](#), [Photography](#), [Water](#),  
[Livestock Judging](#), [Wildlife & Fisheries](#), [Clothing/Textiles](#), [Food & Nutrition](#)

## **Take a Stand Virtual Learning Series**

- **Information:** The **Take A Stand Anti-Bullying Curriculum** (Grades K-5) keeps with the 4-H mission of preparing youth to meet the challenges of childhood, adolescence, and adulthood. The Take a Stand curriculum focuses on five main areas: conflict management, communication, etiquette, teamwork and cultural awareness. You can utilize our NEW video series during your club meetings, classroom time and more!
  - **Lesson 1:** [Keep Your Cool](#)
  - **Lesson 2:** [Walk In My Shoes](#)
  - **Lesson 3:** [A Manner of Speaking](#)
  - **Lesson 4:** [Get In the Game](#)
  - **Lesson 5:** [You + Me = Harmony](#)

## **Virtual Egg to Chick Curriculum and Resources**

- **Information:** The Virtual Egg to Chick program now has a video series that you can watch and follow from home!
- **Videos:**
  - [Video 1](#)
  - [Video 2](#)
  - [Video 3](#)
  - [Video 4](#)
  - [Video 5](#)
  - [Video 6](#)
  - [SURVEY for Chicken 101 Series](#)
- Additionally we also have a Google Drive full of resources that include hands-o activities. This program is open to all ages. Anyone can participate! Please send us pictures of your youth participating in the activities! Google Drive Link: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Sv2NQ0cYoSEdVVo0GNuQGvR3KOVSeSik>



## **Operation College Access**

- **Information:** Maximize your college experience by establishing an academic and financial plan together for your success and beyond! Register here: [https://www.pvamu.edu/cahs/4-h\\_operation-college-access/](https://www.pvamu.edu/cahs/4-h_operation-college-access/)  
Please contact Sayako Seymour ([sayako.seymour@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:sayako.seymour@ag.tamu.edu)) for any questions!

## **2020 Virtual Club Officer Training: RECAP & Activity for Use**

- **Information:**
- Pizza Leadership Kahoot Link: [Kahoot Game Host Site](#)
- Pizza Leadership Questions/Answer Key: [PDF Document](#) & Pizza Leadership Craft Printout: [PDF Document](#)



# 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)



## **\*\*\*2020 County Record Books & Awards PICK UP DAYS\*\*\***



I'm sure many of your members are eager to receive their Record Books, Pins and awards they've earned. **We will be doing a curbside pick-up for Record Books, Awards, & County Photos on Friday Aug. 21 from 10am to NOON OR Saturday Aug. 22 from 10am to NOON.** You can pick up items on behalf of another family but communicate you are doing so beforehand!



## **2020-2021 State Food Show Updates**

A quick update on this year's Food Show for the District, here are the current changes that were made to the District contest based on the state changes.

- Juniors will continue to compete in the Food Show as they have in the past and will only be interviewed by the judges
- Intermediates will have the Interview and the Skills Showcase
- Seniors will participate in all 3 components of the contest as listed in the Texas 4-H Food Show Guidelines
  - \*New – [2020-2021 Food Show Rules & Guidelines](#)
  - \*New – [2020-2021 Updated Food Show Scorecard](#)
  - \*New – [2020-2021 Food Show Training RECORDING](#)

## 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)

## **2020-2021 County – District – State Contest Dates**

*\*This is subject to change due to COVID-19 restrictions/guidelines at the time of the event. The health & safety of our 4-H members, families & employees is of the utmost importance.\**

**2020-2021 4-H Year BEGINS! – September 1, 2020 \*Must be enrolled to compete!**

**2020-2021 4-H Enrollment Fee +\$5 – Nov. 1, 2020 \*Must be enrolled to compete!**

**County ONE DAY 4-H Event – October 10, 2020**

**County Roundup (Pub. Speaking & Ed. Pres.) – October 17, 2020 \*May be Virtual**

**County Food Show/Food Challenge – Fall (Oct/Nov), 2020 TBA**

**County Winter Arts & Crafts Show – (Nov/Dec), 2020 TBA (Tenative)**

**District 10 Fall Roundup (Kerrville) – December 1 - 3, 2020**

-Educational Presentations/Public Speaking

-Entomology

-FCH/Horse/Livestock Quiz Bowl

-Food Show/Food Challenge

## **CONTINUED...2020-2021 County – District – State Contest Dates**

District 10 Conference (Location TBA) – December 2020 TBA

District 10 Photography Contest \*Virtual\* - February 2021 TBA

District 10 Dairy/Horse/Consumer Decision Making (SALE) – February 2021 TBA

County Fashion/D2D/Storyboard Contest – March 2021 \*May be Virtual

County Photography Entries DUE \*Virtual\* - March 15, 2021

County Share-the-Fun Contest – April 3, 2021 \*May be Virtual

County Spring Project Show – (April/May), 2021 TBA

District 10 Meat Judging (San Angelo) – April 2021 TBA

District 10 Spring Roundup (Location TBA) – Late April/Early May 2021 TBA

-Livestock/Wool/Mohair/Soil Judging

-Range Evaluation/Range & Pasture ID

-Share-the-Fun

-Leaders 4 Life

-Fashion Show/D2D/Storyboard

-Small Bore Rifle (Floresville TX)

Texas 4-H Roundup (College Station) – June 7-10 2021 (Guide [HERE](#))

County Record Books/Awards Due \*Judging Virtual\* - June 14, 2021

District 10 Horse Show (Location TBA) – Late June 2021 TBA

District 10 Leadership Lab (Brownwood) – Late June 2021 TBA

District 10 Record Book Judging (Location TBA) – Early July 2021 TBA

Texas 4-H Dog Show (Belton) – July 9-11, 2021

Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games (San Antonio/Manor) – July 2021 TBA

Texas 4-H Horse Show (College Station) – July 2021 TBA

**NEW**

### **Titus/Coryell County 4-H Online Plant Identification Contest**

- **Information:** This contest will be held on [judgingcard.com](http://judgingcard.com) on August 29, 2020 and will be open to all Texas 4-H members. Contest Information [HERE](#) & Flyer [HERE](#). Agents must register their teams online at <https://www.judgingcard.com/> by August 26<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Natalie Cervantes ([ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu)) if you would like to participate so I may register your team. Questions about the contest itself? Feel free to contact Becky Coward [becky.coward@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:becky.coward@ag.tamu.edu)

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