## Bexar County 4-H RocksI



## Jan. 19, 2021

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

#### <u>4-H Office CLOSED.</u>

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## DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

- JAN 21 Bexar County 4-H Council Meeting @ 7PM on WebEx
- JAN 26 <u>Virtual Volunteer Conversations Meeting @6PM CST</u>
- JAN 28 <u>Virtual Training: Texas 4-H Foundation Help Session</u>
- FEB 1 2021 Vet Science Camp Applications OPEN
- FEB 2-6 Patriot Steer Show
- FEB 6 <u>Bexar 4-H Hunter/Jumper Schooling Horse Show</u>
- FEB 7 Souper Bowl of Caring Community Service Project Ends
- FEB 12 <u>Virtual Training: 4-H Robotics for Beginner's (Lego EV3)</u>
- FEB 15 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship DEADLINE
- FEB 15 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Deadline
- FEB 26 District 10 Photography Entries DUE!
- FEB 26 Capital Farm Credit Scholarship DUE!
- MAR 1 MAY 10 Join the Virtual Bug Club! Space is LIMITED.
- MAR 5 <u>2021 Vet Science Camp Application Period CLOSES</u>
- MAR 9 Spring District Roundup Contest Registrations OPENS <u>HERE</u>
- MAR 15 <u>Bexar County Photography Entries DUE!</u> Submit Entries HERE
- MAR 16 Virtual Training: Bexar S.A.L.E. Scholarship & Interview Workshop
- MAR 23 Spring District Roundup Contest Registrations CLOSES HERE
- MAR 23 Final 3.5 YR Transcript Due for Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship
- MAR 24-25 Spring District Roundup Contest LATE REGISTRAION HERE
- MAR 25 <u>Virtual Training: Record Book Training The Basics</u>
- MAR 29 National 4-H Youth in Action Award Applications DUE
- MAR 30 <u>Registration for District Food Challenge OPENS on 4HOnline</u>
- APR 1 District 10 Community Service School Supply Drive ENDS! Pg.8
- APR 6 <u>Deadline: Registration for District Food Challenge on 4HOnline</u>
- APR 8 Late Registration ENDS District Food Challenge on 4HOnline
- APR 8 <u>Virtual Training: Record Book Advanced Story</u>
- APR 13 <u>Virtual Training: Bexar S.A.L.E. Scholarship FINAL Help Session</u>
- APR 15 <u>State Photography Entries DUE!</u> (For qualifying Seniors)
- APR 21-24 Save the Date: District Spring Roundup Contests
- APR 22 <u>Virtual Training: Record Book Advanced Report Forms</u>
- APR 27 Save the Date: District Consumer Decision Making Contest
- APR 28 Save the Date: District Food Challenge Contest

# A QUICK LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Stock Show (Gerlach/Majors) 4-H Eligibility Form Changes

## <u>Please Read: If you would like to check your current eligibility status please</u> <u>contact Chris Lambert: Christopher.Lambert@ag.tamu.edu</u>

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Howdy 4-H family! We are happy to announce that we are resuming 4-H club meetings/activities. Please see Pg.4 to review all guidelines and paperwork necessary to resume meetings. Unfortunately, our Extension Office will remain closed until we reach a 7% positivity rate in the County for 14 consecutive days to resume our 25% capacity. If you need assistance, please contact Natalie Cervantes or another agent to assist you. For special events/contest please contact <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u> to have them reviewed (case by case basis).

#### Learn how to apply for the 1/14/2021@7pm **CLICK HERE TO JOIN Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship Help** Texas 4-H Foundation **Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship Help** 1/28/2021@7pm **CLICK HERE TO JOIN** Scholarship&gethelp. Learn how to start 4-H 4-H Robotics for Beginner's 2/12/2021 @7PM **CLICK HERE TO JOIN** Robotics in your club. Interview skills and info on Scholarship & Interview Workshop 3/16/2021 @7PM CLICK HERE TO JOIN Bexar SALE Scholarship. Learn the basics on how to **Record Book Training: The Basics** 3/25/2021 @7PM CLICK HERE TO JOIN do a 4-H Record Book Join to improve your Record 4/8/2021 @ 7PM **CLICK HERE TO JOIN** Record Book Training: Advanced Story Book Story! Learn how to apply for the CLICK HERE TO JOIN Bexar SALE Scholarship Help 4/13/2021@7pm Bexar SALE Scholarship Join to improve your Record **CLICK HERE TO JOIN Record Book Training: Report Forms** 4/22/2021@ 7PM Book Report Forms!

### SAVE THE DATE: 2021 Upcoming Virtual County Trainings

## **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 (<u>https://texashelp.tamu.edu/coronavirus-information-resources/</u>).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.
- b. 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. \*We will begin 25% staff capacity once the positivity rate reaches 7% for 14 consecutive days. Call our office if you need office assistance. CURRENT POLICY ON 4-H CLUB MEETINGS: Regular Face-to-Face meetings can resume after on/after January 19, 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 an 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.



Howdy Bexar County 4-H,

I know many clubs are beginning to kick off the new 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 2021 because we are more prepared and can anticipate these changes.

**4-H Clubs may resume meeting**. Due to many challenges we are asking each and every ONE OF YOU to help us maintain a safe and healthy environment for all! We have some updated 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 <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u> 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, however when members sign it at each meeting, they must acknowledge that they are agreeing to the previously signed WAIVER FORM. However, if you are holding a non-club meeting (separate project meeting, special event/training) you must acquire your own copy of the Screening Letter/Waiver. Again, we wish everyone a safe, healthy and successful year!

- <u>Guidelines for Conducting Adult & 4-H Meetings</u>
- <u>COVID-19 Screening Letter & Waiver Form</u>
- Best Practices for Conducting 4-H Events during COVID-19
- <u>Staying Safe at 4-H Activities POSTER</u>
- I Pledge my Health to Better Living POSTER

Natalie Cervantes County Extension Agent – 4-H & Youth Development Bexar County

# 4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS

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#### Upcoming Livestock/Prospect Shows

- Patriot Steer Show Feb. 2-6, 2021 (Abilene, TX)
  - Information: The Patriot Steer Show will be sanctioned by Texas 4-H, Texas FFA, State Validation and Quality Counts. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.battleofthecattle.com/thepatriot">https://www.battleofthecattle.com/thepatriot</a>.
- Teague YF Valenswine Show Feb. 27, 2021 (Fairfield, TX)
  - Information: Saturday February 27<sup>th</sup>, Teague Young Farmers is having a 2 ring Swine jackpot show in Fairfield Texas. Please share the <u>flyer and information</u> with your 4-H members.

#### Rabbit Project Workshop Series – POSTED Online for Reference!

- Information: The Rabbit Project Workshop Series has been posted online for all members to view! We currently have all four recordings posted in two locations on the Texas 4-H website:
- <u>https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/rabbits/</u>-scroll down to Rabbit Extravaganza & click link for Workshops #1-4
   OR <u>https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/rabbit-extravaganza/</u> link is listed directly about the flyer image.

#### **STOCK SHOW UPDATES & INFORMATION:**

#### San Antonio – PREMIUM BOOK & ENTRY FORMS RELEASED! Please go HERE for information!

- San Antonio SCHOOL TOURS & YOUTH DAY ARE CANCELED! Please disregard previous email sent out.
- 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 - PREMIUM BOOK & ENTRY FORMS RELEASED! Please go HERE for information!

- 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.



## **Bexar County 4-H Open Horse Show & Upcoming Events**

- Information: The Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders will be hosting several horse shows for our 4-H members! Please save the following dates to your calendar if you are interested in exhibiting!
  - Open Show Dates:
    - March 27,2021
  - Hunter/Jumper Schooling Show Series:
    - February 6, 2021 ENTRY FORM CAN BE FOUND HERE
    - May 1,2021.

The Open Show series will be held at the Guadalupe County Fairgrounds in Seguin. The hunter/jumper series will be at the San Antonio Polo Club grounds. 4-H member competing for end of the year awards & prizes MUST complete an academic eligibility form to remain eligible for competitive awards. See forms attached to each show above. More information is available on the <u>Bexar 4-H Horse Leaders Facebook page</u>.

## <u>Upcoming Hunter/Jumper Schooling</u> <u>Show Series – Feb. 6, 2021</u>

**Information:** The Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders will be hosting their upcoming Hunter/JumperSchooling Show on Feb. 6, 2021 (Saturday) at the San Antonio Polo Club. COVID precautions will be in place. Masks and social distancing will be required.

Prize List and Entry Forms are up for the H/J Schooling Show February 6th at the San Antonio Polo Club. Enter via online entry form below or by mail or email. Addresses located in the prize list.

Prize List: https://drive.google.com/.../16KTKdrLkNmZrsyDXuZ8Pdkq.../view...

#### <u>Online</u>

Entry: <u>https://bexarco4h.formstack.com/forms/hjentryform</u> If you have any questions contact Katie Hodges @ 210-274-8004.

### San Antonio Hunter/Jumper Schooling Show Series

Hosted by: Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders





## Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Information & UPDATES – Due Feb. 15, 2021

- Upcoming Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Trainings:
  - Did you miss the training? See it HERE <u>https://youtu.be/3 RrhOeHb 4</u>
- SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS RELEASED! Please see the following Application Info & Deadlines for 2021:
  - Applicant Tutorial: How to Apply
  - o Rules & Guidelines for Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship 2021
  - o Scholarship Tips
  - o Scholarship Portal FAQs
- IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
  - The ACT/SAT score is <u>not</u> going to be required by the Texas 4-H Foundation for the Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship application. Please contact <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u> with questions.
- It has come to our attention that semester schedules are behind due to the late start some schools faced due to COVID-19. With this delay, some applicants will not have final 1<sup>st</sup> semester grades at the time of the deadline for the 2021 Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship to satisfy the 3.5 year transcript requirement. As a result, Foundation has decided to allow applicants to submit the transcript they have at the time of the deadline (11:59 PM Monday, February 15th). Applications will move on to the judging portion and during that time (March) applicants can submit their final 3.5 year transcript. If an applicant fails to submit their final 3.5 year transcript by Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:59 PM, they will be disqualified from moving to the next round.

#### • IMPORTANT DATES:

- Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 PM Deadline for the Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship must submit the transcript they have at that time.
- Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:59 PM Deadline for any applicant needing to submit an updated transcript to reflect 3.5 years. Applicants will need to have their counselor or school administrator email the updated transcript to <u>Kelly.gideon@ag.tamu.edu</u> (Kelly will be checking applications and notifying applicants should they not have a complete transcript (before the deadline only).
- \*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\* Anyone wishing to be considered for a 2021 Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship MUST submit a complete application (with transcript that is available to the applicant) by the February 15<sup>th</sup> deadline. <u>NO EXCEPTIONS</u> will be made for late applications.

## 2020-2021 Capital Farm Credit Scholarship – Due Feb. 26, 2021

Information: Capital Farm Credit supports rural communities and agriculture with reliable, consistent credit and financial services. And because a steady flow of credit means more jobs and economic growth, Capital Farm Credit is also helping invest in the vibrancy of communities throughout rural Texas through our scholarship program. Two \$1,000 one-time scholarships will be awarded to an individual from a Bexar County high school. Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more and apply.

### County Council Information – Don't forget our upcoming meeting Jan. 21st!

Information: Our next County Council meeting will be Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> VIRTURALLY at <a href="https://agrilife-tamu.webex.com/meet/natalie.cervantes">https://agrilife-tamu.webex.com/meet/natalie.cervantes</a> 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!

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## <u> Texas 4-H Center Program List – ReFashion Retreat moved to February</u>

Updated 1/12/21 Information: We are excited about the possibility of still having Refashion Retreat, February 12-14, 2021. However, we need to meet our minimum numbers to continue with the retreat with an in-person format. The 4-H Center has opened a new registration session on our website, texas4hcenter.tamu.edu. There is not a registration fee associated with this session, this will help us if we have to administer refunds. When we hit our minimum number of campers we will begin to transfer into the retreat session and you will have to go in and pay for the retreat (additional information will accompany this transition). We will not be charging a late fee at this time.

We will also be adding a 1-day virtual portion if you are uncomfortable attending in person. This will be contingent on meeting the minimum number of in-person campers. Information about this format including participation fee will be sent out at a later time.

### **District 10 Community Service Opportunity**

Information: The District 104-H Council has decided that for this year's community service project they want to give back to local schools within your area. They would like for each county to host a school supply drive, collect the items in your office and then prepare boxes/baskets to be dropped off at local schools in your county for the teachers and students to have access to. Bexar County will be collecting supplies until April 1, 2021. You may collect supplies and arrange a drop off with Natalie Cervantes. Email ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu for more information.

## Apply now for 2022 Youth in Action Awards



- Information: The 4-H Youth in Action Program recognizes four confident young leaders with diverse • backgrounds and unique perspectives in our core pillar areas: agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living and STEM. Each year, Pillar Winners will experience an exciting year of telling their 4-H story and celebrating their leadership. Winners receive:
- 5,000 higher education scholarship
- Promotional video showcasing their 4-H impact story
- All-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. for National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards
- Networking opportunities with 4-H celebrities and other prominent alumni
- Recognition as the official 4-H youth spokesperson for their pillar •

#### Members can apply **<u>HERE</u>**.

Applications should be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. PST on Monday, March 29.

## Souper Bowl of Caring Community Service Opportunity

Information: Are you looking for ways to give back to your community, especially local food banks who are • seeing an increase in clients? If so, I encourage your county to get involved in the Souper Bowl of Caring Project between now and the Big Game on February 7, 2021. Souper Bowl of Caring is a youth-inspired movement working across the nation to tackle hunger in their local communities. This year, Texas 4-H members are encouraged to find innovative ways to help their local food pantries. If you are looking for a food pantry in your area or wondering what the local need is, access the TackleHunger Map

Attached is the 2021 Souper Bowl of Caring Playbook. This playbook will guide you through the process. And don't forget to register your group and your activity at the Souper Bowl of Caring website http://tacklehunger.org ! Please let me know if you have any questions! This is a great opportunity for clubs, ambassador groups, or others to make a difference in the community!

## 4-H CORE Academy Tour – Jun. 28 – Jul. 1

**Information:** Bandera, Gillespie, Kerr, & Kendall counties are working on a 4-H CORE Academy (Career Opportunities Reflecting Excellence) this summer June 28<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. The tour's mission is to provide high school youth an opportunity to explore career and leadership opportunities in a diverse global economy as well as learn about post-secondary degree institutions across Texas.

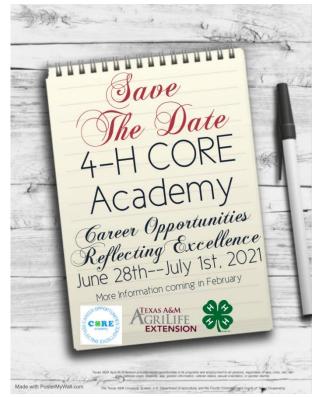
This year we will be traveling to South Texas (Corpus Christiand McAllen). This tour will only be limited to 30 youth to participate. Applications and more information will be distributed in February.

If you think you might have some 4-H youth interested in your area, please feel free to market using the Save the Date <u>flyer</u> attached. If interested email <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u> so we can coordinate a sign up.

## 4-H Virtual Volunteer

### Conversations – Jan. 26, 2021

Information: Please join your fellow 4-H volunteers for the "4-H Virtual Volunteer Conversations!" January's topic will be Volunteer Training and Leadership Opportunities. Come to hear what other volunteers across the Southern Region are doing and even share any success stories of your own! Sign up at <u>http://bit.ly/4HVolCall</u> to get the Zoom link. And then mark your calendars for the upcoming sessions on April 27, July 27, and November 30. Questions? Contact Laura Huebinger, Extension Program Specialist for Volunteer Development at *lhuebinger@ag.tamu.edu*.





## <u>4-H Speaker Request Form- VIRTUAL TRAININGS OFFERED!</u>

• Information: If you are interested in having a 4-H staff member speak at your event/club meeting, please complete this <u>form</u> and submit to <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u> 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.

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Scholarship & Interview Workshop	3/16/2021 @7PM	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO JOIN	Interview skills and info on Bexar SALE Scholarship.		
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#### 2021 Upcoming Virtual Trainings

#### Vet Science Camps 2021

Information: As of right now, three Vet Science summer camps will be hosted in 2021. This year will be Texas A&M Kingsville June 7-9, 2021, Texas A&M University June 14-16, 2021 and West Texas A&M July 12-14, 2021. The camps are going to be limited to 25 kids per camp and will be selected via application process. The application will be sent out via qualtrics Monday February 1, 2021 and will be due back no later than Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> by 5pm. I have attached our flyer for you to distribute to anyone you believe could be interested in the camps. If you have any question please reach out to me at tyler.vogel@ag.tamu.edu.

## National 4-H: CAMP-IN-A-BOX

• <u>Information</u>: This winter, the National 4-H Council is proud to partner with the Louisiana 4-H Youth Development Program in bringing *Camp Grant Walker 4-H Youth Academy's "Camp-in-a-Box" program* (SOLD <u>HERE</u>) nationwide! Our first box option includes materials and activities that will encourage youth to explore their natural surroundings and inspire them to create unique artworks! Supplies are limited, and proceeds from the purchase of this kit will go back to support Camp Grant Walker.



**Join the Bug Club!** If you know a child interested in entomology and insects and looking for ways to learn more about the subject, the Spring Bug Club is open and taking registrations! Bug Club is an opportunity for youth interested in entomology and insects to learn more about them through interactive, live, **virtual** lessons with Entomologist, Molly Keck. For those who cannot make live lessons, Monday's @ 4pm, you can watch the recorded versions!

Bug Club runs March 1st – May 10th (9 total lessons). Clubbers receive a kit containing materials for activities and experiments, mailed to their home. Cost for registration is \$50. This Spring we'll cover Honey Bees and their importance, learn about their lifecycle and how the caste system and bee dances work, and wrap it up with a virtual visit into a real bee hive! We'll also study mosquitoes and understand where they like to breed, why they are so bad, and how they have shaped our national history with a lesson on Yellow Fever. As it warms up in May, we'll talk insect collections, ant species, how to use dichotomous keys, and more! To register, click here: <a href="https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/productListingDetails/3309">https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/productListingDetails/3309</a>



## <u> District/State Contest Reimbursement Form</u>

- 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 <u>Reimbursement Form</u> to <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u>



## 2020-2021 District/State Judging Contest Updates (Livestock, CDM, ETC)

<u>Consumer Decision Making:</u> The District 104-H Consumer Decision Making Contest is being tentatively planned for Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at the Kerr County Youth Event Center. Due to the uncertainty surrounding the San Antonio Livestock Show Contest plans, we are holding this date and location as an alternate until more information is released..

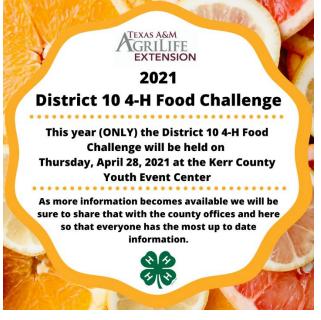
## 2020-2021 County/District/State Photography Updates

- District Contest: <u>RULES</u> Deadline is February 26, 2021, Entry via 4HOnline <u>HERE</u>
- County Contest: <u>RULES</u> Deadline is March 15, 2021, Entry via 4HOnline Google Form <u>HERE</u>
  - State Photography: <u>RULES</u> Deadline is April 15, 2021, Entry via 4HOnline <u>HERE</u>

## 2020-2021 District/State Food Challenge Updates

The District has made the change to host Food Challenge in Kerrville at the Kerr County Youth Event Center on **April 28, 2021**. The committee wrote some contest changes/updates and they are linked below for you review until official contest letters are released. Registration will be open in 4-H Online March 30- April 6, 2021 and Late Registration will be April 7-8, 2021.

- NEW
- 2021 Food Challenge CHANGES & UPDATES
   2021 Food District Food Challenge Letter
  - 2020-2021 Food Challenge Rules & Guidelines
  - District 10 Facebook Page will be posting Kitchen Gadget
     <u>Videos</u>
    - Food Challenge Web Training Recording



## 2020-2021 District Fashion Show/Duds 2 Dazzle/Storyboard

Please mark your calendars for March 27, 2021 (Saturday) for our County Fashion Show, Duds 2 Dazzle and Storyboard competitions! Please utilize the letters/packets below for rules:

\*Coming Soon – 2021 County Fashion Show/Duds 2 Dazzle/Storyboard Rules/Packet



\*New – 2021 DISTRICT <u>Duds to Dazzle Rules/Packet</u>

## 2020-2021 Record Book Updates

**There are no changes to the record book process for the 2020-2021 Texas 4-H Year.** We will still be offering the ZSuites Online Record Book platform this year as well as the traditional Word forms. Plans are to conduct trainings this fall for ZSuites for those interested. On our Texas 4-H Record Book <u>website</u> you will also find some past training information!

- \*New 2020-2021 Record Book Family Guide & Categories
  - \*New 2021 Record Book Forms (Word Doc)

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

Access all shooting sports events, trainings, & contests here: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s-dAH2\_xn3qX9pREBfURfxtSukI3WXTNXst8x5PnEV0/edit</u>

## 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.\* District 10 Photography Contest \*Virtual\* - Due February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Rules POSTED!) District 10 Dairy Judging – February 6<sup>th</sup> 2021, Sulphur Springs TX **District 10 Horse Judging – TBA** County Photography Entries DUE \*Virtual\* - March 15, 2021 (Rules POSTED!) County Food Challenge Contest – March 20, 2021 County Fashion/D2D/Storyboard Contest – March 27, 2021 County Share-the-Fun Contest – April 3, 2021 \*Virtual State Photography Entries DUE via 4HOnline – April 15, 2021 (Rules POSTED!) County Spring Project Show – (April/May), 2021 TBA \*May be Virtual District 10 Consumer Decision Making – April 27, 2021, Kerrville Texas District 10 Food Challenge (Kerrville) – April 28, 2021 (Rules POSTED!) District 10 Meat Judging (San Angelo) – April 2021 TBA District 10 Spring Roundup (Fredericksburg, TX) – April 21-24, 2020 Livestock Judging • Share-The-Fun • Range & Pasture ID & Range Evaluation Leaders 4 Life • Mohair, Wool, Soil Judging • Fashion Show & Storyboard & Duds 2 Dazzle (Duds 2 Dazzle Rules Posted!) • Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX) Texas 4-H Roundup (College Station) – June 7-10 2021 • 2021 Roundup Guide: PDF | **Google Doc** (updated 9/1/2020) 2021 Schedule of Events – PDF (updated 9/1/2020) 2021 Texas 4-H Contest Changes and Reminder – PDF (added 9/1/2020) • CHANGES • Public Speaking - The time limit has been increased from 7 to 8 minutes, keeping 5 minutes as the minimum. Horse Quiz Bowl – Updated resources for 2020-2021 contest year. Resources have been removed and one resource has been added to align with the Hippology Contest Food Challenge o Realigned Categories: Appetizer, Main Dish, Side Dish and Healthy Dessert o Supply box will now include some designated pantry ingredients

o The Pantry has been replaced with the Grocery Store

Food Show

o Contest has moved from Thursday to a Tuesday contest due to facility availability!

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 (Huntsville) – July 9-10, 2021

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

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

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