



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

- JAN 8 – [Texas Farm Credit Scholarship Deadline](#)
- JAN 8 – [Deadline to order additional San Angelo passes!](#)
- **JAN 10** – [Dog Validation due on 4HOnline \(Guide Posted!\)](#)
- JAN 14 – [Virtual Training: Texas 4-H Foundation Help Session](#)
- JAN 15 – [JOANN \\$250 Mini Grant Application DUE!](#)
- JAN 18 – [District 10 Dairy Judging Contest Registration Deadline](#)
- JAN 18 – APR 18 – [Texas 4-H Winter Penpal Program](#)
- **JAN 21** – [Bexar County 4-H Council Meeting @ 7PM on WebEx](#)
- JAN 28 – [Virtual Training: Texas 4-H Foundation Help Session](#)
- FEB 2-6 – [Patriot Steer Show](#)
- FEB 12 – [Virtual Training: 4-H Robotics for Beginner's \(Lego EV3\)](#)
- **FEB 15** – [Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship DEADLINE](#)
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- **FEB 26** – [District 10 Photography Entries DUE!](#)
- **MAR 15** – [Bexar County Photography Entries DUE!](#)
- MAR 16 – [Virtual Training: Bexar S.A.L.E. Scholarship & Interview Workshop](#)
- MAR 25 – [Virtual Training: Record Book Training – The Basics](#)
- **MAR 30** – [Registration for District Food Challenge OPENS on 4HOnline](#)
- **APR 1** – [District 10 Community Service School Supply Drive ENDS! Pg.8](#)
- **APR 6** – [Deadline: Registration for District Food Challenge on 4HOnline](#)
- **APR 8** – [Late Registration ENDS District Food Challenge on 4HOnline](#)
- APR 8 – [Virtual Training: Record Book – Advanced Story](#)
- APR 13 – [Virtual Training: Bexar S.A.L.E. Scholarship FINAL Help Session](#)
- **APR 15** – [State Photography Entries DUE! \(For qualifying Seniors\)](#)
- APR 21-24 - **Save the Date: District Fall Roundup Contests**
- APR 22 – [Virtual Training: Record Book – Advanced Report Forms](#)
- APR 27 – **Save the Date: District Consumer Decision Making Contest**
- APR 28 – **Save the Date: District Food Challenge Contest**

⚠️ QUICK LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS! ⚠️



From everyone at the Bexar County Extension Office, we hope you had a wonderful holiday vacation and New Year! We know that 2020 was a challenge, but we are hopeful for better things in 2021!



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COVID-19 Updates

Howdy 4-H family. The recent state (agency) guidance and restrictions are still in effect at this time. It is very difficult to navigate between county recommended guidance and that of the agency. However, to provide you with some certainty to begin the new year, we will resume our 25% staffing pattern **beginning January 19, 2021.** This will allow us to regain a daily presence in our office. As it relates to programming/club meetings/activities, programs will continue virtually until **January 19th.** If you have any special events/contest please contact ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu to have them reviewed (case by case basis).

SAVE THE DATE: 2021 Upcoming Virtual County Trainings

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Record Book Training: Report Forms	4/22/2021@ 7PM	CLICK HERE TO JOIN	Join to improve your Record Book Report Forms!

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.
- 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 on January 19, 2021 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 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 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 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 should meet virtually until January 19th, 2021, after Jan. 19th (unless restrictions are extended), 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 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, 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!

- [Guidelines for Conducting Adult & 4-H Meetings](#)
- [COVID-19 Screening Letter & Waiver Form](#)
- [Best Practices for Conducting 4-H Events during COVID-19](#)
- [Staying Safe at 4-H Activities POSTER](#)
- [I Pledge my Health to Better Living POSTER](#)

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4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS



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Hill Country District Livestock Show, Kerrville TX – CANCELED

Message from Preside of HCDJLS: The Hill Country District Junior Livestock Show Association has been working diligently since early in the fall to re-structure our county and district stock shows, in order to meet the requirements for mass gatherings. On December 21st, the Texas Department of State Health Services recommended that mass gatherings not be held. According to President Steve Bauer, "We believed we had a solid plan in place, but due to the expectation of increased Covid-19 cases, the state official responsible for approving our mass gathering application did not approve it. This leaves us feeling both disappointed and frustrated; however, we always knew that there was a possibility that this could happen. As a result, we will be canceling the 2021 Hill Country District Livestock Show. We will be back in 2022, stronger than ever!"



San Angelo Stock Show – Pass Update

We have opened on our website the opportunity for exhibitors and families to purchase passes if they did not order passes at the time of entry. Passes that were ordered at the time of entry are currently being processed and will be mailed to you all directly, as always. Families may directly order passes and have them mailed to their house during this extra time frame. **Passes will ONLY BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE JANUARY 4-8TH, 2021. Passes must be purchased in ADVANCE, see website for more details: [HERE](#)**

Gate Passes

- Only Season Gate passes will be sold for the event. You cannot pay at the gate to enter.
- Gate passes will be card style passes. (Typical credit card size plastic passes valid for the entire event.)
- Children under showing age will not be required to have a pass.
- PLEASE LIMIT ATTENDANCE TO IMMEDIATE FAMILY ONLY.**
- Each registered exhibitor will receive one complimentary gate pass. County Agent will have this on file.

Parking Passes

- Parking passes are stickers that must be affixed to the windshield of the vehicle.
- Allow you into the inside of the Fairgrounds. There will be considerably more interior parking.
- PARKING INSIDE THE COLISEUM PARKING LOT IS **FREE**. There will be considerably more parking in the Coliseum lot.
- Parking passes are not required for loading/unloading.

The 2021 San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo is NOT open to the general public. We ask that ONLY IMMEDIATE FAMILY and supervisors attend the event. We ask for participant assistance in limiting the number of people attending to only those necessary. **If you purchased passes with your entries, those passes will be mailed to our County Extension Office like always. This is ONLY for those that did not purchase passes at the time of entry.** Families may purchase these passes, and are not required to go through the County Agent to purchase passes. Passes may be purchased by individuals and will be mailed January 11-15, 2021. **Passes will ONLY BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE JANUARY 4-8TH, 2021.**

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 <https://www.battleofthecattle.com/thepatriot>.

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:
- <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/rabbits/> - scroll down to Rabbit Extravaganza & click link for Workshops #1-4
OR <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/rabbit-extravaganza/> - 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.



Horse Project Events & Resources



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
 - 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 [Bexar 4-H Horse Leaders Facebook page](#).

Texas A&M Equine Reproductive Management Short Course – Jan. 6-8 -2021

Information: Howdy! Registration for the annual [Texas A&M Equine Reproductive Management Short Course](#) is now open. This year it will be offered online only and we hope this expands the opportunity for more people to join since most years we have a waiting list due to its popularity. Registrants will be receiving an interactive kit in the mail prior to the short course if they register before **December 15th**. The kit includes products for stallion semen collection and artificial insemination along with a reproductive practice's manual. Recordings of the short course will be available for a limited time afterwards for those who register. Our agenda will cover stallions one day and mares the other day, so registrants can choose to register by day according to their interest. The third day will capture all aspects of reproductive management and include some exciting industry tours. [FLYER HERE](#).



Leadership & Fun Events



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 – https://youtu.be/3_RrhOeHb_4
- **SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS RELEASED!** Please see the following Application Info & Deadlines for 2021:
 - [Applicant Tutorial: How to Apply](#)
 - [Rules & Guidelines for Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship 2021](#)
 - [Scholarship Tips](#)
 - [Scholarship Portal FAQs](#)
- **Note this update was provided to us by the Foundation Office. I have sent in questions regarding students who have been unable to take their ACT/SAT tests due to COVID-19 restrictions and awaiting reply:** We have had several questions about the 2021 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship requirements due to the impact that COVID-19 is having on schools and testing centers. The ACT/SAT score is not going to be required by some schools this year and the question was whether or not we would require the score still. After speaking with some donors that also require the score, **it was decided that the ACT/SAT score will still be required to submit an application. Please work on getting your members registered for an upcoming test ASAP!** Please contact ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu with questions.

2020-2021 Texas Farm Credit Scholarship Announcement – Due Jan. 8, 2021

- **Information:** Texas Farm Credit would like to take this opportunity to invite your students to submit their application to our **Ag Student of the Month** program and **Marsha Martin Scholarship** program. Students may apply for both programs by completing one simple application. In addition to our two student scholarship programs, we are also offering a **\$500 Club Contribution** to the SIX Marsha Martin winning student's FFA or 4-H Club. Click [HERE](#) 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. 21st** VIRTURALLY at <https://agrilife-tamu.webex.com/meet/natalie.cervantes>
- **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!
 - **Jan 21 (Thurs.)** **Mar 18 (Thurs.)** **May 20 (Thurs.)**

Texas 4-H Center Program List – ReFashion Retreat moved to February

- **Information:** The Texas 4-H Center will be hosting several camps, retreats and trainings throughout the year! For more information on what is being offered please see their [website](#)!

District 10 Community Service Opportunity

- **Information:** The District 10 4-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.

JOANN Mini Grant – Due January 15, 2021

NEW

Joann is helping 4-H bring more hands-on programs to local communities across the nation to inspire kids to lead lives with their hearts, hands, and minds. The Clovers for Kids campaign monies are now available to Texas 4-H clubs, project groups, and county 4-H programs through a mini-grant program. Mini-grants are designed to help build and support 4-H Fashion and Interior Design project work. The maximum amount per mini grant is \$250.

Guidelines for applying:

- Application must be for the support of a 4-H Club, group, or service project in Texas.
- Funds must be used for building or supporting a 4-H Fashion and Interior Design Project

Examples of such include:

- Purchasing equipment and/or supplies for a community service project
- Purchasing supplies for a Fashion & Interior Design workshop
- Pay for group tour expenses
- Purchase sewing machines for county program

Funds cannot be used for: Personal gain or use

- Deadline for application January 15th, 2021 at 5pm. [**APPLY**](#)

**JOANN FABRIC
AND CRAFT**

2020/2021
Texas 4-H Foundation
Mini-Grant
Applications

DUE JANUARY 15, 2021

4-H Project Trainings

4-H Speaker Request Form- VIRTUAL TRAININGS OFFERED!

- **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.

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Virtual Learning Tips & Resources

- **Information:** Interested in doing more virtual learning and meetings? Learn best practices and resources for virtual learning in a new webinar by Kentucky 4-H's Torey Earle. Torey walks viewers through everything you need to create online clubs using existing resources like 4-H at Home! Click [HERE](#) to access the recorded webinar.

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

- **Information:** 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 [HERE](#))* 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.



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](#).



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

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

Consumer Decision Making: The District 10 4-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..

Dairy Judging: Due to stock show cancellations, District 10 will co-host its own 4-H Dairy Judging Contest. The event will host the District 10 contest and will also serve as the National Qualifying contest for the State. Participants will be able to choose if they want to participate in the district contest only, state contest only, or in both events during their registration on 4-H Online (each contest will have a cost). Contest information and registration timelines can be found below.

Contest: Saturday, February 6, 2021

Location: Hopkins County (Sulphur Springs, TX) Equine Pavilion

Registration Timeline: January 4th – January 18th (One registration that they can select State, District or can do both)

Contest Rules & Guidelines will be posted to the [Texas 4-H Roundup page](#) in December.

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 [website](#) you will also find some past training information!

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

2020-2021 County/District/State Photography Updates

- District Contest: [RULES](#) – **Deadline is February 26, 2021**
- County Contest: [RULES](#) – **Deadline is March 15, 2021**
- State Photography: [RULES](#) – **Deadline is April 15, 2021**

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.



- [2021 Food Challenge CHANGES & UPDATES](#)
- [2020-2021 Food Challenge Rules & Guidelines](#)
- [District 10 Facebook Page will be posting Kitchen Gadget Videos](#)
- [Food Challenge Web Training Recording](#)



Quick Glance for ALL UPCOMING Shooting Sports Events/Trainings

- **Access all shooting sports events, trainings, & contests here:** https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s-dAH2_xn3qX9pREBfURfxtSukI3WXTNXst8x5PnEV0/edit

Texas 4-H Dog Show Updates & Validation Information

Information: Texas 4-H Dog Show will be held on **July 9-10, 2021 at the Walker County Fairgrounds in Huntsville, Texas.** To be eligible for this show, dogs must be validated by **January 10, 2021** in 4-H Online. Members are encouraged to validate any dogs they are eligible to show in the event situations change through the year. [Linked are detailed written instructions](#). The state 4-H office has also created video instructions <https://youtu.be/3NzoljK9Pco> if that is more convenient.

As 4-H members complete their validation, here are some things to keep in mind:

- For purebred dogs (they do not have to be registered, just look purebred) you will select the correct Group and list the breed.
- For mixed breed dogs you will select the Weight Group of the dog and list the dominant breed along with the word "Mix" or list the two breeds if known. (Example: Border Collie Mix or Mastiff/Great Dane.)
- Photos of the left and right side of the dog should be a side view of the whole dog. Get on the dog's level so they do not turn into top views. They should also be clear and light enough we can see all markings and color of the dog.
- **None of the previously validated dogs carried over to 4-H Online. Everyone will need to complete the full online validation form and upload photos this year.**

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.

State Dog Validation DEADLINE – January 10, 2020 (PDF Guide [HERE](#))

District 10 Photography Contest *Virtual* - Due February 26th, 2021 ([Rules POSTED!](#))

District 10 Dairy Judging – February 6th 2021, Sulphur Springs TX

District 10 Horse Judging – TBA

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

County Photography Entries DUE *Virtual* - March 15, 2021 ([Rules POSTED!](#))

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

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
- 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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