



# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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## **DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:**

- **FEB 26** – [District 10 Photography Entries DUE!](#)
- FEB 26 – [National Young Alumni Advisory Committee Nominations Due](#)
- FEB 26 – [Capital Farm Credit Scholarship DUE!](#)
- MAR 1 – MAY 10 – [Join the Virtual Bug Club!](#) Space is LIMITED.
- MAR 3 – [LATE Registration for D-7 Shooting Sports Coaches Trg.](#)
- MAR 5 – [2021 Vet Science Camp Application Period CLOSSES](#), Apply [HERE](#)
- **MAR 8** – [County Food Challenge Registrations DUE by 5PM](#)
- MAR 9 – [Spring District Roundup Contest Registrations OPENS](#) [HERE](#)
- MAR 12 – [TX 4-H Volunteer Awards/Salute to Excellent Nominations DUE](#)
- **MAR 15** – [Bexar County Photography Entries DUE! Submit Entries HERE](#)
- MAR 15 – [2021 National Beekeeping Essay Submission Deadline](#)
- MAR 15 – [TX Brigade Youth Wildlife Camps Registration Deadline](#)
- MAR 16 – [Virtual Training: Bexar S.A.L.E. Scholarship & Interview Workshop](#)
- MAR 20 – [County Food Challenge Contest! Registration Info: HERE](#)
- MAR 23 – [Spring District Roundup Contest Registrations CLOSSES](#) [HERE](#)
- MAR 24-25 – [Spring District Roundup Contest LATE REGISTRATION](#) [HERE](#)
- MAR 25 – [Virtual Training: Record Book Training – The Basics](#)
- MAR 29 – [National 4-H Youth in Action Award Applications DUE](#)
- **MAR 30** – [Deadline for District 10 Horse Judging Contest on 4HOnline](#)
- **APR 1** – [District 10 Community Service School Supply Drive ENDS! Pg.11](#)
- **APR 6** – [Deadline for D10 CDM & Food Challenge on 4HOnline](#)
- **APR 8** – [Late Registration D10 CDM & Food Challenge on 4HOnline](#)
- APR 8 – [Virtual Training: Record Book – Advanced Story](#)
- APR 10-15 – [National 4-H Virtual Conference](#)
- APR 13 – [Virtual Training: Bexar S.A.L.E. Scholarship FINAL Help Session](#)
- **APR 15** – [State Photography Entries DUE! \(For qualifying Seniors\)](#)
- APR 22 – [Virtual Training: Record Book – Advanced Report Forms](#)
- APR 27 – [Virtual Training: Communication Strategies – Registration HERE!](#)
- MAY 1 – [Deadline for YALL Tour: Click HERE to Apply!](#)
- MAY 10 – [Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge Registration DEADLINE](#)
- JUL 19-24 – [Youth Agriculture Lifetime Leadership \(YALL\) Tour](#)

# ⚠️ QUICK LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS! ⚠️

## **NEW** Life after the Storm

From AgriLife Extension Service Facebook page: "We understand the incredible challenge this historic weather is imposing on the citizens of Texas, our AgriLife Extension family, and agricultural communities across the country. We also know that the worst of times can bring out the best in people. By using the hashtag [#AgriLifeStrong](#) or tagging us on social media, you can help us acknowledge the struggles while also highlighting the tireless commitment to our land and animals, and the resilience of our people getting the job done. When the storm is over, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will still be here serving Texans."

**All, we sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding last week as we battled the weather, power outages, and water loss. I know many of you tried to reach Sam and I for various things and it was certainly a challenge to survive last week. We hope everyone is safe, well and with plenty of power/water. Our members are demonstrating the utmost resilience this week at San Antonio Stock Show, and we're proud of the job they are doing!**

## **Major Stock Show 4-H Eligibility Form Changes**

**Please Read:** Due to the increasing uncertainty of our office schedule the Bexar 4-H program will be making changes to our Eligibility checks and forms this year. For ALL sanctioned 4-H events that requires eligibility to participate **the County Extension Office will be working directly with your school to complete the eligibility check.** In the interest of protecting students and providing families flexibility who have opted for a virtual learning schedule, **THERE WILL BE NO PAPER FORMS. You will not be contacted regarding your child's eligibility UNLESS the school deems your child ineligible.** Lastly, our office will **NOT** be keeping record of excused/unexcused absences by your school. It will be up to each family to keep track of your absences and their recorded designation by the school. **Questions? Email Natalie Cervantes: [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) Please note your school will make the FINAL determination of academic status, not the Bexar County 4-H office.**

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

Scholarship & Interview Workshop	3/16/2021 @7PM	CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN	Interview skills and info on Bexar SALE Scholarship.
Record Book Training: The Basics	3/25/2021 @7PM	CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN	Learn the basics on how to do a 4-H Record Book
Record Book Training: Advanced Story	4/8/2021 @ 7PM	CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN	Join to improve your Record Book Story!
Bexar SALE Scholarship Help	4/13/2021@7pm	CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN	Learn how to apply for the Bexar SALE Scholarship
Record Book Training: Report Forms	4/22/2021@ 7PM	CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN	Join to improve your Record Book Report Forms!
Statewide Virtual Volunteer Conversation: Program Communication Strategies	4/27/2021@6pm	CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO SIGN UP	A meeting for leaders to share ideas, build regional connections, and learn from other volunteers throughout the country.

# 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 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.



# 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 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](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, 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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Bexar County

# 4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS

## **Stock Show & 4-H Eligibility Form Changes**

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## **Upcoming Livestock/Prospect & Judging Shows**

- **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 [flyer and information](#) with your 4-H members.
- **2020-2021 District 10 Meat Judging Contest**

Attached you will find the [D-10 Meat Judging Letter](#). The following releases will need to be filled out prior to the contest:

  - [ASU Volunteer Acknowledgement and Release Agreement](#)
  - [Acknowledgement and Release Agreement \(Guardian on behalf of Minor Participant\)](#)

*As with all of our other contests, please note that details are still subject to change as we get closer to the event.*

## **Cooperative Extension Prairie View Goat Giveaway: (Flyer [HERE](#))**

- **Information:** This year, Prairie View A&M University's 4-H department will be **giving away 5-10 dairy goats** to successful applicants. The applications are screened by judges that look for evidence that the applicant has the resources and knowledge to take care of the goat properly and show commitment towards furthering their goat and overall 4-H involvement. Applicants do not need to have previously raised goats to enter this program. Schools and community organizations are welcome to apply as well! Deadline is 2/15/2021  
Application Link: [https://pvamu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6AwobXxb2ikeOO](https://pvamu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6AwobXxb2ikeOO)

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

**\*Please utilize the Stock Show's Facebook Pages for most current updates/changes!\***

### **San Antonio – PREMIUM BOOK & ENTRY FORMS RELEASED! Please go [HERE](#) for information!**

- There will be a \$10,000 scholarship awarded to the Champion Dorper Market Lamb in 2021.
- Junior heifers will be split into 2 groups, Group 1: Feb. 15-17; Group 2: Feb. 18-19. Group 1 will consist of all American breeds & ONLY Simmentals entered in Superbowl. Group 2 consists of all British & 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.

**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.

**NEW**

**NEW: 2/1/2021** If you are attending the 2021 San Angelo Stock Show or have exhibitors that are, please read the below thoroughly and pass on to all who may need the information.

- **Family Health Assessment Form:** Each exhibitor family must have a completed Family Health Assessment form completed and turned in at the pen assignment. **The driver must have a completed family health assessment form for each exhibitor family with animals on the trailer to be allowed access to unload. The form is located here: <https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/livestock1/more-information>.**
- **Wildlife & Meats Judging Contest:** The Wildlife and Meats Judging Contests are held at the MIR Center, a part of the Angelo State University campus. ALL ATTENDEES- participants, coaches, parents, etc- that will be attending these contests at ASU's MIR center **MUST** complete special forms for ASU. Please visit the registration page at [judgingcard.com](http://judgingcard.com), or find the documents. There is a separate form for Minor Participants and Coaches/Parents. **Please complete these forms in advance and bring them completed to the contest.**
- **Heifer Futurity:** The Heifer Futurity is now being held virtually. All information was sent to exhibitors regarding the modifications to the contest. This was the best option for the event, with the two wave format. The information is also available here: <https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/livestock1/2021-heifer-futurity-contest>
- **Other Important notes/Frequently Asked Questions:**
- We will have approximately 6 food vendors on grounds to serve our livestock exhibitors throughout the show.
- There will also be tack vendors set-up throughout the event. There will be no other vendors on grounds.
- If you are not feeling well, do not attend the event. Furthermore, if you have been exposed to COVID-19, please follow all CDC guidelines regarding quarantining.
- Heifer Show: If you have heifers in both waves and cannot make it home to take animals back between waves, they will be allowed in tie outs. For Example, during Wave 1- only Wave 1 heifers will be allowed in the barn, including for washing, but Wave 2 heifers will be allowed in tie-outs. Friday morning by 9 a.m.- ALL heifers must be out of the barn and in tie outs. **ALL TACK MUST BE OUT OF THE BARN AS WELL.** Wave 2 Heifers will check-in Saturday morning at the stalling barn, and only Wave 2 heifers will be allowed in the barn. We will have an outside wash area. **Tie-Outs will be handled on arrival- NO RESERVATIONS.**
- Goat exhibitors returning for the market lamb show will be asked to remove all tack from the barn.
- Clarification: Blocking tables, blowers, and clippers will be allowed for the Wether Doe & Dam Shows ONLY.
- Ag Mechanics: Lunch will be provided for contestants on Show Day- Friday.
- **For the most up to date information, forms, weight breaks, etc. please check: <https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/livestock1/more-information> often.** To reach the livestock office directly throughout the show, please call 325-658-5061.

**Houston :** PLEASE SEE UPDATES SENT OUT BY HSLR HERE: [LINK](#) **Health & Safety Protocol:** [HERE](#)

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:**
    - 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](#).

## District 10 Horse Judging Contest - April 17, 2021 @ College Station TX **NEW**

**Information:** This year the District 10 Horse Judging contest will be held in conjunction with the Multi-District Contest in College Station (For 2021 only!). Please read the [full letter](#) as this year's contest and registration process is different than previous years. Please note that all events are subject to change based on the situation with the pandemic. This could mean limiting participation or changing to a virtual contest. We will do our best to keep everyone updated on any changes that may occur as we get closer to the event. Entries will not be approved until you check-in the day of the contest.

### Registration Info:

- Regular Registration: Teams will need to complete registration on 4-HOnline by March 30, 2021 (entries will be open on March 22, 2021). Be sure to click on the appropriate contest in 4-HOnline to enroll your teams! Event will be named "2020-2021 District 10 4-H Horse Judging." **There will be a fee of \$15 per individual to enter the District Contest.**
- Late Registration: Late Registration will be open March 31 – April 1, 2021. For late entries there will be a charge of \$40 (\$15 entry fee + \$25 late fee) per individual to enter the District Contest.

**Online Entry:** [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com) If you have any questions contact [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu)

## 49th Annual Summer Horsemanship School

**Information:** Registration for the 49th Annual Summer Horsemanship School is [now open](#)! Any group in Texas can host a 2 or 3-day summer horsemanship school (clinic), including 4-H clubs. If you have an interest in hosting, but need more guidance please don't hesitate to contact me. This year, county grants to help fund a SHS are available by application! Contact the 4-H Foundation for more information on this grant funding opportunity.

**THE NATIONAL QUALIFIER** **NEW**

**TQHA**  
TEXAS QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

**Horse Judging Contest**

**In-person Contest for Senior Texas 4-H, FFA and TQHYA members**  
When: Friday March 12, 2021  
Entry fee: \$120/team  
Where: Will Rogers Memorial Center; Fort Worth, TX  
Register @ [judgingcard.com](http://judgingcard.com)  
For Teams Only

**VIRTUAL Horse Judging Contest for youth 18 and under**  
When: Friday March 12, 2021  
Entry fee: \$20/individual  
Where: Online  
Register @ [agrilifelearn.tamu.edu](http://agrilifelearn.tamu.edu)  
For Individuals Only

Questions? Contact [Jennifer.zoller@tamu.edu](mailto:Jennifer.zoller@tamu.edu) Learn more here:  SCAN ME

**NEW**



# Leadership & Fun Events



## Youth Agriculture Lifetime Leadership (YALL Tour) Now Open! Closes May 1<sup>st</sup>.

- **Information:** The Youth Agricultural Lifetime Leadership opportunity is a 6 day exploration for youth in Texas to explore and experience agriculture. This year the 2021 Y.A.L.L. Experience is excited to be headed to **the Texas Panhandle!** Throughout this experience they learn about the dynamics of the agricultural industry, including: horticulture, beef cattle, problem solving, marketing, finance, education, leadership, and more. While many youth are interested in some aspect of agriculture production for a career, many are unfamiliar with all of the job opportunities that exist in commercial agriculture production. **One of the primary purposes of the Youth Agriculture Lifetime Leadership Experience is to provide them with a tour of some of the premier agriculture universities in the country. While each university may offer differing degree programs, they will notice a similarity in the friendly outgoing educators when it comes to agriculture education. Participants that attend the Panhandle program will have the opportunity to tour: Texas Tech University, West Texas A&M University and Angelo State University.**
- **Who?** 4-H members that have a strong interest in production agriculture who are outgoing high school freshmen through outgoing seniors invited to apply and **30 youth will be selected.** The application will be made available [online](#) and close on May 1st. Applicants will be notified of their selection in to the program by May 30th.
- **When?** The tour will depart from the Kerr County Extension office in Kerrville on July 11th and return to the Kerr County Extension office on July 16th.
- **Cost:** The cost to the participants for the 6 days is \$200. Youth will submit their \$200 with their application, if youth are not selected into the program their payment will be refunded.
- **Where to Register:** <https://yall.ticketleap.com/21-yall/> Please follow us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/4HYALL/>) and Instagram (@yall.experience) so you can share current information with your families by sharing our posts!

## 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 [HERE](#) to learn more and apply.**

## County Council Information – Don't forget our upcoming meeting March 18th!

- **Information:** Our next County Council meeting will be **March 18th<sup>t</sup>** VIRTURALLY at <https://agriflife-tamu.webex.com/meet/natalie.cervantes>

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**Mar 18 (Thurs.)**

**May 20 (Thurs.)**

## Bexar & District 10 Community Service Project

- **Information:** The Bexar County & D-10 4-H Council have decided that for this year's community service project they want to give back to local schools within our area. **Bexar County will host a school supply drive to support Menchaca Early Childhood Center. Clubs are welcome to collect the items and coordinate a drop off with Natalie Cervantes.** Bexar County will be collecting supplies until April 1, 2021. Email [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) for more information.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE**  
Bexar County 4-H

**SUPPORT MENCHACA EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER  
BY DONATING SCHOOL SUPPLIES!**

To coordinate dropoff,  
email [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu)



## 2021 4-H Volunteer Recognition Awards

**Information:** Nominations for Salute to Excellence/4-H Volunteer Awards are now being accepted now through **Friday, March 12, 2021**. Nominations are now open online through [Formsite](#) to recognize volunteers, donors, and AgriLife personnel for their continued commitment to the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program. These can be supporters (individuals, couples, businesses, organizations) who assist at the county, district, regional, or state level. The six recognition categories are:

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

### ONLINE FORMSITE SUBMISSION

**LINK:** [https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/form226/form\\_login.html](https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/form226/form_login.html)

Texas 4-H website Awards & Recognition page: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/awards/>  
(Volunteer Recognition Packet [HERE](#) and previous winners are posted [HERE](#).)



### NEW! RECOGNITION

Due to constraints related to the Covid-19 pandemic, there will be no face-to-face recognition luncheon or event in College Station during Roundup. Honorees will be presented their awards locally and recognized state-wide through media efforts. Creative, exciting ideas are being planned to ensure this year's award winners still feel the excitement and honor of receiving this award.

### PRIOR HONOREES

A list of prior award winners is attached [HERE](#) and can be found on the Texas 4-H website on the Awards & Recognition page as well as on the Formsite submission page. Please review this list to ensure the person you are nominating has not been honored with the award previously. An award can only be presented one-time to an individual and/or supporter.

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

Online nominations accepted: Today – Friday, March 12, 2021

Announcement of winners: Late April

## Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge Announcement! June 20-21, 2021 (Brownwood, TX)

- **Information:** The Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge will be held June 20-21, 2021 in Brownwood, Texas, at the 4-H Center. Click on the link below for more information about cost, schedule, registration, and more. See you there! [FLYER HERE](#)  
**Deadline to register is May 10, 2021, cost is \$50 per registrant.**

## 2021 National 4-H Virtual Conference SAVE THE DATE: April 10-15, 2021

More Information Coming SOON: [FLYER HERE](#)

## Are you ready for Texas 4-H Summer Camps? **NEW**

- **Information:** Texas 4-H Summer Camp Registration has opened February 1, 2021!! Registration is on their website, [here](#). Click the green register now button on the right hand side of the screen, then click on 2021 Summer Camps, and then select the camp(s) you and your campers will attend this year! See flyers below:



- 3rd Grade and up
- All camp enrollment based on grade in 2021-2022 school year
- 4-H membership is NOT required
- Pay deposit by June 14th or pay full amount
- Late fee \$50
- All adult volunteers must enroll as a 4-H volunteer, have verified background check, and complete child protection training in 4-H Connect prior to camp.

- 4-H Fishing Camp  
June 16-18 | \$240/Y, \$130/A
- 4-H STEM Camp  
June 16-18 | \$240/Y, \$130/A
- Horizons Camp  
June 27-July 1 | \$300/Y, \$160/A
- Mission Possible Mentor Training  
June 27-30 | \$125
- Mission Possible Camp  
June 28-30 | \$175
- County Camp I  
July 1-3 | \$200/Y, \$110/A
- County Camp II  
July 5-7 | \$200/Y, \$110/A
- Outdoor Adventure Camp  
July 7-9 | \$200/Y, \$110/A
- Prime Time I  
July 11-14 | \$250/Y, \$135/A
- Prime Time II  
July 14-17 | \$250/Y, \$135/A



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

TEXAS A&M  
AGRI LIFE  
EXTENSION



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## Young Alumni Advisory Committee Nominations Now Open

- **Information:** We invite you to please nominate the dynamic, proven young leaders in your network to serve on National 4-H Council's Young Alumni Advisory Committee (YAAC). The YAAC serves as a bridge to the young alumni community, informing Council's Board of Trustees & working closely with Council associates to provide counsel, work on strategic initiatives and help grow our network of young 4-H alumni. Nominees should be between the ages of 18-22 as of July 1, 2021. [Submit your nominations online by February 26!](#)

## 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 [HERE](#).

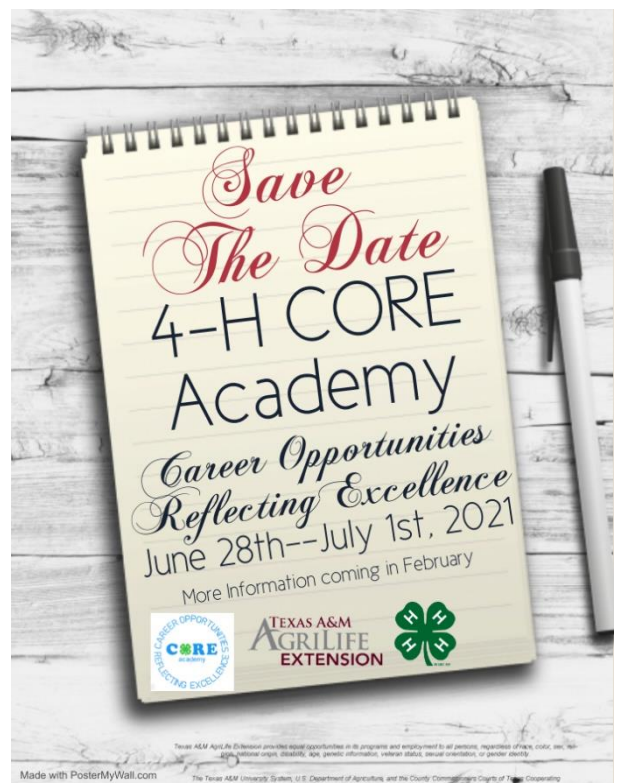
**Applications should be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. PST on Monday, March 29.**

## 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 Christi and 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 [flyer](#) attached. If interested email [ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu) so we can coordinate a sign up.



# 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](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.

<b>2021 Upcoming Virtual Trainings</b>			
<i>Scholarship &amp; Interview Workshop</i>	3/16/2021 @7PM	<b>CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN</b>	Interview skills and info on Bexar SALE Scholarship.
<i>Record Book Training: The Basics</i>	3/25/2021 @7PM	<b>CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN</b>	Learn the basics on how to do a 4-H Record Book
<i>Record Book Training: Advanced Story</i>	4/8/2021 @ 7PM	<b>CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN</b>	Join to improve your Record Book Story!
<i>Bexar SALE Scholarship Help</i>	4/13/2021@7pm	<b>CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN</b>	Learn how to apply for the Bexar SALE Scholarship
<i>Record Book Training: Advanced Report Forms</i>	4/22/2021@ 7PM	<b>CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO JOIN</b>	Join to improve your Record Book Report Forms!
<i>Program Communication Strategies</i>	4/27/2021@6pm	<b>CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> TO SIGN UP</b>	A meeting for leaders to share ideas, build regional connections, and learn from other volunteers throughout the country.

## **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 is available [HERE](#) 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](mailto:tyler.vogel@ag.tamu.edu).

## **Texas Brigades: Youth Wildlife Leadership Camp**

- **Information: Please review documents below to register for these camps!**
- [Attached Press Release](#)
- [Attached updated 2021 General Application Flyer](#)
- Texas Brigades Website & Applications: <https://www.texasbrigades.org/applications/>

## Shooting Sports Coach Training – District 7 (Brownwood, TX)

- A Shooting Sports Coaches Training is being hosted in District 7 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood on March 13, 2021. Please see this [Information letter](#) for more information. Note the following:
  - This event will be a 1 DAY training with an online portion (required to be completed prior to arriving). Link to online training will be provided to participants once they register for the event.
  - The online Green Injection training will allow us to complete the rest of the training in 1 day vs. 2.
  - Registration for the face to face portion of the training will be done through the **Texas 4-H Center Website**, NOT 4-H Online.
  - Participants MUST have an active volunteer profile in 4-H Online prior to attending the training.

**NEW**

## STEM Leader Resources & Opportunities

4-H has been leading STEM education long before STEM was considered cool. Whether we realize it or not, all of our 4-H projects involve some degree of STEM. To help us in that regard, Texas 4-H has outlined some leader development opportunities below you might be interested in attending/joining. I have also [attached a document](#) providing a sampling of project-specific “STEM Abilities”. Each ability can serve as the foundation/theme of a lesson.

**Facebook Groups:** After joining, check out the **Files** section on their page (may have to click on the More dropdown list) for lessons, handouts, PPTs, etc.

- [STEM Teachers Group](#)
- [STEM Education Networking](#)
- [High School Photography Educators](#)
- [High School Photography Teachers](#)
- [EV3 Robotics](#)

**NEW**

## 4-H Virtual Volunteer Conversations

Please join your fellow 4-H volunteers for the “4-H Virtual Volunteer Conversations” at 6pm on April 27! April’s topic will be **Program Communication Strategies**. Come join us to share ideas, build regional connections, and learn from other volunteer throughout the country! Sign up at <http://bit.ly/4HVolCall> to get the Zoom link. And then mark your calendars for the upcoming sessions on April 27, July 27, and November 30. This program is open to all 4-H volunteers and professionals. Questions? Contact Laura Huebinger, Extension Program Specialist for Volunteer Development at [lhuebinger@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:lhuebinger@ag.tamu.edu).



The poster features a QR code in the top left corner. In the center is the 4-H logo, a green four-leaf clover with the letters 'H' in each leaf. Below the logo, the text reads "4-H Virtual Volunteer Conversations" in a bold, green font, followed by "6:00pm CST/7:00pm EST". A list of dates and topics is provided: "01/26 - Volunteer Training & Leadership Opportunities", "04/27 - Program Communication Strategies", "07/27 - Developing Regional Partnerships", and "11/30 - Innovative Ideas for Clubs". At the bottom, it says "share ideas and connect with other volunteers throughout the country" and "Register at: <http://bit.ly/4HVolCall>". A small note at the bottom left states "All 4-H volunteers and professionals are welcome to attend!". On the right side of the poster, there is a photograph of a laptop screen displaying a Zoom meeting grid with many participants. The text "BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE VOLUNTEER SPECIALISTS OF THE SOUTHERN REGION" is at the bottom right.

**NEW**

**Learn, Go, Eat & Grow Online Toolset** Add [Learn, Grow, Eat & GO! Online](#) to your toolset! This 10-week program allows students to learn and grow from home, with optional synchronous engagement activities each week! The pilot program is FREE to participate in this spring! Register today [HERE](#).

**Black History Month Coloring Book! Click [HERE](#) to Download**

**NEW**

Texas 4-H has released a Coloring Book in celebration of Black History Month. Please feel free to share this wonderful resource in house, with friends, families, programs, etc!

## 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. As it warms up in May, we’ll talk insect collections, ant species, how to use dichotomous keys, and more! To register, click [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](mailto:ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu)



## District 10 Spring Contest COVID-19 Requirements/Guidelines

### For a list of all SPRING CONTESTS: Please see our [Spring Roundup Guide](#)

As we are still in a year of unknowns the District 10 office is working towards hosting as many events in person as possible. Below is a list of things that all contests will need to implement to ensure a safe environment for everyone involved. By doing some of the items listed below, **that may mean we have longer days than normal**, however, this is a sacrifice participants must be willing to make in order to provide the youth with an opportunity to compete in the safest environment possible. Remember, it is only a few days that we will need to work some longer hours to make it happen.

- **Everyone will be required to wear masks** or will be required to supply a letter from a medical professional stating their exemption.
- **Everyone will need to complete and submit a COVID-19 Screening Form at check-in** for their respective contest.
  - Some contests will have a different version of the form based on venue, i.e. Meat Judging
- **We will need to practice social distancing whenever possible.** This may mean running multiple heats, having more groups, etc.
- **Every contest will conduct their awards ceremony virtually**, we will not be bringing everyone together to announce placings.
- **We need to limit the number of people at any of the facilities at all times.** This means following the same protocols that we had in the fall and only allowing competitors into the facility along with the agents/volunteers helping to facilitate the contest.



## 2021 Food Challenge County Contest

- **Date:** March 20, 2021.
- **Place:** The Neighborhood Place (3014 Rivas Street, San Antonio, TX 78228)
- **Cost:** \$15 per Team
- **Who:** All eligible 4-H members! Must have at least 3 members to make a team.
- **Instructions:** Please see the full [Food Challenge Packet/Letter](#) for registration form and contest instructions. Team registration forms are **DUE MONDAY, March 8, 2021 by 5pm!** Please understand that COVID-19 is going to make this contest run a little longer than usual, so please block out the whole day (8am-4pm) to attend. We do not have the flexibility to move judging for teams into the morning/afternoon.
- **Please remember Food Challenge is a QUALIFYING CONTEST and you cannot participate in the District 10 Food Challenge Contest unless you compete at County and place 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in your age division.**

The graphic is a vertical banner with a green background. At the top is a 4-H logo. Below it, the text reads 'SAVE THE DATE' in large white letters. Underneath, it says 'More details coming soon!'. The banner is divided into two horizontal sections. The top section has a light green background and features icons of a whisk, a blender, and a bowl with a whisk. The text in this section is: 'Date: Sat. March 20, 2021 COUNTY FOOD CHALLENGE'. The bottom section has a yellow background and features icons of a sewing machine, a needle, and buttons. The text in this section is: 'Date: Sat. March 27, 2021 COUNTY FASHION SHOW & DUDS 2 DAZZLE'.

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

**NEW** **Consumer Decision Making:** The District 10 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest is being planned for **Tuesday, April 27, 2021** at the Kerr County Youth Event Center. Rules/Letter is now posted [HERE](#)! Registration Deadline: **April 6, 2021** via [4HOnline](#).

**NEW** **Horse Judging Contest:** The District 10 4-H Horse Judging Contest is being planned for **April 17, 2021** at Hildebrand Equine Complex in College Station, TX. Rules/Letter is now posted [HERE](#)! Registration **Deadline: March 30, 2021** via [4HOnline](#).

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

- District Contest: [RULES](#) – **Deadline is February 26, 2021**, Entry via 4HOnline [HERE](#)
- County Contest: [RULES](#) – **Deadline is March 15, 2021**, Entry via 4HOnline Google Form [HERE](#)  
State Photography: [RULES](#) – **Deadline is April 15, 2021**, Entry via 4HOnline [HERE](#)

## **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
  - [2021 DISTRICT Duds to Dazzle Rules/Packet](#)
  - \*New – [2021 DISTRICT Fashion Show Letter/Packet](#)
  - \*New – [2021 DISTRICT Storyboard Letter/Packet](#)

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

## **2020-2021 District 10 Leaders 4 Life Contest**

Attached you will find the [Leaders 4 Life Contest Letter](#). In order to be accommodating of the current COVID guidelines we have made a few changes to this contest to make it work:

- Contest has been moved to **Tuesday, April 20, 2020**
- Contest will be held in Seguin at the Guadalupe County Office
- Each team will be provided a scheduled time to arrive, they will be the only one's allowed in the building at that time

*As with all of our other contests, please note that details are still subject to change as we get closer to the event.*

## **2020-2021 District 10 Meat Judging Contest**

Attached you will find the [D-10 Meat Judging Letter](#). The following releases will need to be filled out prior to the contest:

- [ASU Volunteer Acknowledgement and Release Agreement](#)
- [Acknowledgement and Release Agreement \(Guardian on behalf of Minor Participant\)](#)

*As with all of our other contests, please note that details are still subject to change as we get closer to the event.*

## 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 \(Word Doc\)](#)

### 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\\_xn3qX9pREBfURfxtSukl3WXTNXst8x5PnEVO/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s-dAH2_xn3qX9pREBfURfxtSukl3WXTNXst8x5PnEVO/edit)

**NEW**

#### State Indoor 4-H Archery Match

- Registration for the State 4-H Indoor Archery Match has opened on Sunday February 7<sup>th</sup>. Please inform your archery members! There is very important information posted on our webpage at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/> It is listed under “Contests” then under “Indoor Archery Match Information”. Make sure your participants have read this information.
- [2021 Indoor Archery Match Information](#)
- Please understand that awards will NOT be mailed until all disputed scores are resolved. Please do not expect awards for at least 6-8 weeks. These are updated results. They are NOT final. Questions can be directed to [ljperez@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:ljperez@ag.tamu.edu)
- There are four notable changes in locations.
  - 1) the match held in Ft. Stockton last year has been moved to Monahans.
  - 2) There is a new location in Carthage this year.
  - 3) the Carrizo Springs location is being used for Covid testing and vaccinations. If the county moves or changes the times and dates of the use of the facility, we will announce that and open registration for that venue.
  - 4) The Bay City location IS NOT confirmed. We are waiting for the County Commissioners to make a decision. That registration is **OPEN for now**. If, for some reason we are not allowed to use that facility, we will send back the registration on 4-H Connect.
- As is the norm, since this is an “INDOOR” event, everyone entering any of the venues MUST wear a mask unless actively shooting. Everyone in the venue will be asked to socially distance by keeping at least 6 feet in between each other. Things such as scoring will be handled by event staff and will be covered at the orientation at the venue.
- If anyone has any questions, please contact the state 4-H Shooting Sports office at (979) 845-1214.

- **Shooting Sports Coach Training – District 7 (Brownwood, TX)**

- A Shooting Sports Coaches Training is being hosted in District 7 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood on March 13, 2021. Please see this [Information letter](#) for more information. Note the following:
  - This event will be a 1 DAY training with an online portion (required to be completed prior to arriving). Link to online training will be provided to participants once they register for the event.
  - The online Green Injection training will allow us to complete the rest of the training in 1 day vs. 2.
  - Registration for face-to-face portion of training will be via the **TX 4-H Center Website**, NOT 4-H Online.
  - Participants MUST have an active volunteer profile in 4-H Online prior to attending the training.



## **2021 National 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest – Due Mar. 15 on 4HOnline**

**Information:** The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc. has announced their 2021 4-H Beekeeping Essay Topic. This year's topic is: **Immunity: Threats to Bee Colonies and Methods to Defend Against the Threats**. Honey bee colonies have developed many ways to stay healthy. In your essay, name at least two threats (a parasite such as Varroa, a pathogen such as a virus, a predator such as a bear, etc.) to honey bee colonies and then discuss the methods colonies use to defend against the threats. If possible, include at least one picture you have taken from Feb. 2020-Feb. 2021 that illustrates how colonies manage to stay healthy against a variety of threats.

Please share the contest information with your 4-H members. It can be found at <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/entomology/>. You can see past winner's essays by visiting the following website and clicking on 4H Essays tab at the top of their page. <http://preservationofhoneybees.org/> Essays will be uploaded at no fee on [4HOnline](#) using the "2021 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest" event. **Deadline to submit is Monday, March 15. Winners will be announced the week of April 5th.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

## **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 – March 11<sup>th</sup> 2021, Abilene, TX**

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

**County Food Challenge Contest – March 20, 2021 ([Rules POSTED!](#))**

**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 Horse Judging – April 17, 2021, College Station TX ([Rules POSTED!](#))**

**District 10 Consumer Decision Making – April 27, 2021, Kerrville Texas ([Rules POSTED!](#))**

**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 ([Guide POSTED!](#))**

- Livestock Judging
- Share-The-Fun
- Range & Pasture ID & Range Evaluation
- Leaders 4 Life ([Rules Posted!](#))
- Mohair, Wool, Soil Judging
- Fashion Show & Storyboard & Duds 2 Dazzle ([Duds 2 Dazzle Rules Posted!](#))
- Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)

**CONTEST LIST CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE...**

**Texas 4-H Roundup (College Station) – June 7-10 2021** - 2021 Texas 4-H Roundup theme: *Aspire to Inspire!*

- 2021 Roundup Guide: [Google Doc](#)
- 2021 Schedule of Events – [PDF](#)
- 2021 Texas 4-H Contest Changes and Reminder – [PDF](#)
- 2021 Texas 4-H Roundup Website: [LINK](#)

**NEW**

**COVID-19 Related CHANGES** - We have created a document titled **Expectations 2021 Texas 4-H Roundup** which has been posted to our Texas 4-H Roundup webpage at <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/> We will plan to continually update this document as more details develop related to our event.

To host primary aspects of Texas 4-H Roundup in 2021, the Texas 4-H Youth Development program has made the decision that **we will not be able to offer Intermediate contest opportunities this year**. While this was a tough decision to make, we felt that because of the limitations regarding facilities and capacity due to Covid-19 social distancing restrictions, we needed to focus our efforts on opportunities for our Senior level (9th – 12th grade) 4-H members.

- **Masks will be required to be worn while at the event.** This includes even when outside where 6 feet of physical distancing is difficult to maintain.
- **Expect our contest days to be longer** as we work to spread out the number of youth together in one location at a time. We anticipate added heats for larger contest.
- **At this time, no adjustments have been made to the contest dates as posted in August** under the Schedule of Events. Our goal is to keep the contest dates the same, but should there need to be a change, we will communicate that asap. 4-H members can still only compete in one contest per day.
- Expect only contestants and contest officials to be allowed in the contest areas, **no spectators.**
- **At this time will not be hosting a traditional assembly.** We are working on ways to virtually recognize our 4-H members for their successes during the week.
- **Post assembly activities such as the kick-off event, dance and concert are not scheduled at this time.** We are working with city officials regarding activities which would be hosted by local venues for our 4-H members (limited capacity). There would be multiple opportunities each evening throughout Bryan/College Station for our 4-H members such as specials at Grand Station, activities at Century Square, downtown Bryan, etc. We will continue to work with the local community to provide opportunities for our 4-H members and families who will be visiting the area that week.

#### **CONTEST SPECIFIC CHANGES**

- Range & Pasture Grass Identification will now be held on Tuesday, June 8th with the Range Evaluation contest remaining on Wednesday, June 9th.
- 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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