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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

4-H Office OPEN via Appt. Only

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DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

- APR 6 Deadline for D10 CDM & Food Challenge on 4HOnline
- APR 6 -29 Virtual College Tours for Texas 4-H Members
- APR 7 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza Early Registration CLOSES
- APR 8 Late Registration D10 CDM & Food Challenge on 4HOnline
- APR 8 2021 T-Mobile Changemaker Challenge, Apply for \$5k/\$15k Prize!
- APR 8 Virtual Training: Record Book Advanced Story
- APR 9 2021 Aggie Virtual Meat Judging Clinic Registration closes at NOON
- APR 9 2021 Texas 4-H WHEP Contest Registration Deadline
- APR 12 State Fair Lamb/Goat Validation Tag Orders DUE!
- APR 13 Virtual Training: Bexar S.A.L.E. Scholarship FINAL Help Session
- APR 15 State Photography Entries DUE! (For qualifying Seniors)
- APR 15 Research Extension Apprenticeship Program Applications DUE
- APR 19 State Fair Swine Validation Tag Orders DUE!
- APR 19 Steer Validation Tag Orders DUE!
- APR 20 Jason Krueger Memorial Scholarship Application DUE
- APR 20 Back to the Basics Beef Cattle Series Begins! Register HERE
- APR 22 Virtual Training: Record Book Advanced Report Forms
- APR 23 Texas Youth Expo Registration Closes
- APR 26 Spring/Summer Heifer Validation Tag Orders DUE!
- APR 27 Virtual Training: Communication Strategies Registration HERE!
- APR 29 Texas 4-H Foundation Charity Golf Tournament
- APR 30 Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Application DEADLINE
- MAY 1 Horse Validation due on 4HOnline!
- MAY 1 Deadline for YALL Tour: Click HERE to Apply!
- MAY 1 Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Application DEADLINE
- MAY 1 Texas 4-H Livestock & Equine Ambassador Application Deadline
- MAY 1 2021 CORE Academy Tour, Application DEADLINE
- MAY 7 Texas 4-H Dog Show Entries CLOSE via 4HOnline
- MAY 10 Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge Registration DEADLINE
- MAY 14 Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Interviews Save the Date!
- MAY 15 Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program Applications DUE!
- MAY 19 Bexar County Council Officer Application DUE
- MAY 20 Bexar County Council Meeting & Council ELECTIONS on WebEx!
- MAY 21 Kerr County Trap and Skeet Shoot Registration Deadline
- MAY 23 Bee County Invitational Ag Product ID & Cupcake Wars Contests
- MAY 29 PVAMU S.A.L.E. Scholarship Application Due!
- JUN 3 CEP Photography Contest SUBMISSION DEADLINE
- JUL 19-24 Youth Agriculture Lifetime Leadership (YALL) Tour
- JUL 24-AUG 18 Texas 4-H International Exchange Program Dates



Texas Speaks Statewide Survey!

Howdy 4-H family! Beginning today and going through at least March, the TexasSpeaks survey will be available for the citizens of Texas. TexasSpeaks is an online survey conducted by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service with the purpose of listening to Texas citizens as they identify the strengths and needs of their communities. The goal of TexasSpeaks is to engage as many Texas citizens as possible to create the most accurate and helpful data to support Texas communities at both the state and local levels. The survey is anonymous and takes only 15 minutes of time. Please access the survey HERE.

Bexar County Council Officer Elections – May 20th

Information: Our next County Council meeting will be May 20th VIRTURALLY (Tentatively) at https://agrilife-tamu.webex.com/meet/natalie.cervantes *County Council elections for 2021-2022 will be conducted during this meeting. If your child is interested in running for Council please make sure to fill out and return this FORM (Word Doc Version) to ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu by May 19 (Wed.) See County Council Responsibilities and By-Laws

NEW Upcoming Validation Tag Orders

State Fair Lamb/Goat	DUE: April 12 th	\$17 per head	TAG ORDER FORM
State Fair Swine	DUE: April 19 th	\$18 per head	TAG ORDER FORM
Major Steer	DUE: April 19 th	\$22 per head	TAG ORDER FORM
Major Heifer	DUE: April 26th	\$15 per head	TAG ORDER FORM

SAVE THE DATE: 2021 Upcoming Virtual County Trainings

Record Book Training: Advanced Story	4/8/2021 @ 7PM	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO JOIN	Join to improve your Record Book Story!
Bexar SALE Scholarship Help	4/13/2021@7pm	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO JOIN	Learn how to apply for the Bexar SALE Scholarship
Record Book Training: Report Forms	4/22/2021@ 7PM	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO JOIN	Join to improve your Record Book Report Forms!
Statewide Virtual Volunteer Conversation: Program Communication Strategies	4/27/2021@6pm	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO SIGN UP	A meeting to share ideas, build regional connections, and learn from others.

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 <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. Questions? Contact us at 210-631-0400.

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 have returned to a 25% staff capacity! Please call our office to schedule appointments. Masks are currently still required to enter the building.

CURRENT POLICY ON 4-H CLUB MEETINGS: Regular Face-to-Face meetings can resume. 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.
 - o Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
 - o 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 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

2021 Validation Information

• Steer Validation Tag Order (Due April 19th):

All steers to be shown at the county and/or major livestock shows must be validated. Cost will be \$22.00 per head. Return this <u>FORM</u> and tag fees to the Bexar County Extension Office at 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Suite 212 San Antonio, TX 78230 by Monday, April 19th. Make checks payable to Bexar 4-H Fund. Validation will take place in June. Date, time and locations will be announced soon.

• State Fair Lamb/Goat Tag Order (Due April 12th):

All lambs/goats to be shown at the 2021 State Fair of Texas must be validated. Cost will be \$17.00 per head. If you are showing through Bexar County 4-H, please return this <u>FORM</u> and tag fees to the Bexar County Extension Office at 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Suite 212 San Antonio, TX 78230 by Monday, April 12th. Make checks payable to Bexar 4-H Fund. Validation will take place in June. Date, time and location will be announced soon.

• State Fair Swine Tag Order (Due April 19th):

All barrows, purebred and crossbred gilts to be shown at the 2021 State Fair of Texas must be validated. Cost will be \$18.00 per head. If you are showing through Bexar County 4-H, please return this FORM and tag fees to the Bexar County Extension Office at 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Suite 212 San Antonio, TX 78230 by Monday, April 19th. Make checks payable to Bexar 4-H Fund. Validation will take place in June. Date, time and location will be announced soon.

• Spring/Summer Heifer Validation Tag Order (Due April 26th):

All heifers to be shown at major livestock shows must be validated. Cost will be \$15.00 per head. If you are showing through Bexar County 4-H, please return this <u>FORM</u> and tag fees to the Bexar County Extension Office at 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Suite 212 San Antonio, TX 78230 by Monday, April 26th. Make checks payable to Bexar 4-H Fund. Validation will take place in June. Date, time and location will be announced soon.

Texas 4-H Livestock & Equine Ambassador Program - May 1, 2021

<u>Information:</u> We hope you will consider applying for the Texas 4-H Livestock and Equine Ambassadors in your county. Our hope is when members return from the short course, they will be able and eager to assist with educational programs. More details regarding the programs can be found at https://texasyouthlivestock.com/.

2021 Short Course Offering:

- 1. Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador Short Course, West Texas A&M June 12-15, 2021
- 2. Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M Kingsville June 21-24, 2021
- 3. Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, West Texas A&M/Texas Tech July 19-22, 2021
- 4. Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M July 12-15, 202

Selection Criteria:

• Senior age (14-18) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding his/her livestock/equine projects. Students with a profound interest in animal/equine science, animal production and advocacy. Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others. Top 25% class rank

Application Process: Applicant goes to:

- a. Livestock https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/ife/form/SV_dgRaHGetXUSY70p
- b. Equine https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 79C2Ai3iABjZFDT
- 2. Student will complete the application and enter the contact information of supervising County Extension Agent
- 3. CEA will be automatically emailed a recommendation survey
- 4. A selection committee will review the applications and accept up to 25 participants per short course
- 5. Applications are due May 1, 2021

Upcoming Livestock Programs, Clinics & Shows



2021 Aggie Youth Virtual Meat Judging Clinic – Saturday April 10th from 8am – NOON

Dr. Hale and Dr. Griffin have prepared a virtual Meat Judging workshop for 4-H and FFA members. Registration is \$15 per viewing device and you may register at the following link. If interested contact Sam Womble at Sam.Womble@ag.tamu to get registered. Registration closes at 12noon on Friday April 9. No refunds after this time. Registrations must be made via an FFA Chapter account or a County Extension account (via county office).



Last Chance "Skill-A-Thon" Online Contest Practice – April 19th – 21st, 2021

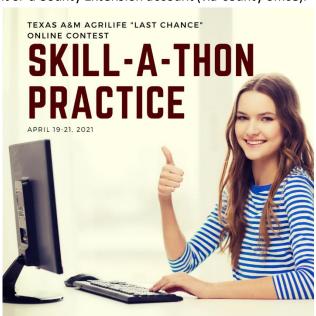
If you are looking for one last contest to help prepare your 4-Her's for the State Skill-a-thon take a look at the Texas A&M AgriLife Last Chance Online Contest. The dates are April 19-21, 2021. The contest will have a 50 question exam, 75 ID and 2 practicums from the 2021 practicum group. To register or with questions,

at tyler.vogel@ag.tamu.edu

 Bosque County Classic/Jackpot Show (All Species) – April 10-11, 2021 Clifton, TX

Attached you will find the show information, <u>April 10th</u> & April 11th

 Texas Youth Expo (May 6-9, 2021) Please distribute to your cattle exhibitors. Registration is now OPEN for the Texas Youth Expo, May 6-9, 2021 in Brenham. Flyer HERE. Regular Entries close April 23rd! Visit Texasye.fairwire.com to register.





Back to the Basics Beef Cattle Series (Sessions: April - October) via Microsoft Teams

Mark your calendar now for the "Back to the Basics" Beef Cattle series. It doesn't matter the size of your operation or the number of cattle you manage, this is an opportunity you don't want to miss! There will be five sessions (April - October) addressing a wide array of subject matter. Programs will be offered online. To sign up, please contact Chris at christopher.lambert@ag.tamu.edu. Please see attached flyer for details.

- **Poultry Judging Tutorial Videos** Texas A&M University Poultry Science Department is excited to announce Poultry Judging Tutorial Videos! This resource is free of charge, we just askyou register at the following link in order to receive access to the videos. **Register here** > https://forms.gle/JpAhHUBrrxeSCdMz9
- Virtual Poultry Institute The Department of Poultry Science will be hosting our Virtual Poultry Institute June 14th-16th. Join us virtually for a free three-day event, to learn more about the Poultry Industry and what the Department of Poultry Science has to offer! We encourage anyone with an interest in pursuing a Poultry Science Degree or who would like to know more about the Department to register. Pre-Registration will close on June 8th. Register here > https://tamuag.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_beynKpVTkOyNcFg



Bexar County 4-H Open Horse Show & Upcoming Events

- <u>Information:</u> 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!
 - 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.

2021 Horse Validation Information - Guide Posted HERE, Due May 1st

<u>Information:</u> 4-H horse validation is now open on <u>4-HOnline</u>. Instructions for families are outlined in the <u>attached pdf.</u> Horse validation will be open from March 1st through May 1st and the cost will again be \$10 per horse through April 15th and \$20 per horse from April 16th through May 1st. <u>The updated 4-H Online system will only be accepting credit cards for payment.</u> A few reminders:

- Each validation must include front view, right side view, and left side view images. The entire horse should be included in the photo and marking should be clearly visible.
- If the horse is registered, a copy of the registration papers must be uploaded. These papers must list the 4-Her, parent, sibling, grandparent or legal guardian as the current owner. If the ownership is in the process of being transferred, please list "pending" in the registration number area. Once the updated registration papers have been received please send a copy to me and I can add it to the validation.
- Uploads must be images, pdfs are not an accepted file type.
- Families should validate each horse once. Once the horse is validated any sibling within that family is eligible to show the horse at district and/or state 4-H horse show.
- Youth validating a futurity horse must be at least 4-H age 12 (as of Sept. 1, 2020) and in at least the 6th grade.

49th Annual Summer Horsemanship School

<u>Information:</u> Registration for the 49th Annual Summer Horsemanship School is <u>now open!</u> 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.





Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship & Interviews - Due April 30th 2021!

- <u>Information:</u> Eligible 4-H Seniors may apply for our local Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship! Applications can be mailed/delivered (3355 Cherry Ridge Drive, S-212, SATX 78249; Attn: Natalie Cervantes), or electronically submitted and emailed to ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu
- Deadlines and Dates Timeline:
 - o Bexar S.A.L.E. Application & Scholarship Senior Record Book Deadline: April 30, 2021
 - 2020-2021 Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Guidelines
 - 2020-2021 Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Application: PDF or Word Doc
 - 2020-2021 Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Scoring Rubric
 - Scholarship Interviews: May 14, 2021 *CORRECTION from previous newsletter

PVAMU S.A.L.E. Scholarship - Due May 29th, 2021

<u>Information:</u> Are you planning to attend Prairie View A&M University this Fall? Apply for a \$15,000 scholarship through this link: https://www.pvamu.edu/cahs/sale-scholarship-program/ Applications are due 5/29. For any questions contact: Sayako Seymour (sayako.seymour@ag.tamu.edu)

Research Extension Apprentice Program (REAP) - Apply by April 15th, 2021

• <u>Information:</u> Rising high school juniors and seniors can participate in a 2-week virtual residential research internship program this summer from July 5 to July 16! Get first-hand experience in research of your interest in Food product development, horticulture, nutrition, entomology, and much more! Apply by 4/15: https://www.pvamu.edu/student-success/summer/youth/

Jason Krueger Memorial Texas Steer Exhibitor Scholarship - Due April 20th, 2021

Please find attached a copy of the Jason Krueger Memorial Texas Steer Exhibitor Scholarship Application. Please see all important information in the attached application. Scholarship Guidelines & Scholarship Application

Texas Virtual College Tours – Begins April 6th – Ends April 29th

Let's help our youth build their best future! The Texas 4-H Military Partnership has put together a series of virtual tours of colleges and universities throughout Texas for the month of April. Attached you will find a flyer with the schedule of events and a link to our Virtual College Tours site. Through the site you will be able to register for the virtual college tours, explore Texas colleges that support the Yellow Ribbon Program, explore "Purple" Texas colleges, and access additional resources to aid in college and career exploration and applications. I have also included the link to the site below. https://sites.google.com/view/virtualcollegetours/home

Please note that we do have Lamar University scheduled for April 27th, but we are awaiting time slot confirmation. You may still go ahead and register for that tour and will receive an updated email once the time slot is confirmed. Keep an eye on the website for any updates or changes to the schedule! Please share this information with all members!

County Council Elections! - Coming up during our May 20th Meeting!

NEW

Information: Our next County Council meeting will be May 20th VIRTURALLY (Tentatively) at https://agrilife-tamu.webex.com/meet/natalie.cervantes *County Council elections for 2021-2022 will be conducted during this meeting. If your child is interested in running for Council please make sure to fill out and return this FORM (Word Doc Version) to ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu by May 19 (Wed.) See Council Responsibilities and By-Laws

Youth Agriculture Lifetime Leadership (YALL Tour) Now Open! Closes May 1st.

- <u>Information:</u> 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. 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. Participants that attend the Panhandle program will have the opportunity to tour: Texas Tech University, West Texas A&M University and Angelo State University.
- <u>Who?</u> 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.
- <u>Cost:</u> 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)

4-H Military Summer Camp Programs ARE HERE!

It's Time for our Texas 4-H Military Summer Camps! Attached you will find the flyers for the different camps that we will have available this year. Please pay close attention as the camps have different age groups, locations, and military status requirements! You can find more information on the camps and register youth at the appropriate "Register Now" links on their associated flyer.

- Wild West Adventures: May 17th 22nd *Flyer has error*
- Young Heroes Camp: July 6th 8th *LOCATED HERE IN SAN ANTONIO*
- Hill Country Adventures: May 29th June 3rd
- True Warriors Youth Camp: July 18th 22nd
- Texas 4-H 5-G Tech Academy: June 14th July 23rd

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

• <u>Information:</u> 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! <u>FLYER HERE</u> <u>Deadline to register is May 10, 2021, cost is \$50 per registrant.</u>

Texas 4-H International Exchange Program – July 24 – August 18, 2021

• <u>Information:</u> Invite an international youth into your home for three weeks and share an American experience. Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly a new language all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country too! Gain a global perspective in the comfort of YOUR home! Information Flyer HERE & Information Website

Texas Water Ambassador Program NOW OPEN, Due May 15th, 2021

Applications are now open for the 2021-2022 cohort of Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors. Now in its fourth year, the 4-H Water Ambassadors Program continues to grow in number and is gaining recognition and support from the Texas water industry. A goal of the Program is to equip youth to assist county extension with water education events. To learn more about the 4-H Water Ambassadors Program visit www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com.

Eligibility:

- Be in high school or entering high school in the 2021/2022 academic year
- Be at least 14 years of age by August 31, 2021
- Be a current 4-H member, or be willing to join a local 4-H club if selected

Expectations: 4-H Water Ambassadors accept the responsibility of education youth and adults in their communities. They commit to advancing their water knowledge throughout their 12-months of service. Those selected must:

- Participate in the summer 2021 Tier I 4-H2O Leadership Academy (June 27 July 1)
- Commit to a minimum of 40 hours of education/service from July 1, 2021 June 30, 2021
- Pay the \$250 program participation fee by June 15

How to Apply:

- Visit www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com for application requirements
- Download instructions HERE: https://agrilife.org/bexarcounty/files/2021/04/Application_Instructions.pdf
- Complete the application online at https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/water/index.html

Important Dates:

- April 1 May 15, 2021 Applications open
- June 1 Application notified of acceptance status
- June 15 \$250 participation fee due in 4HOnline
- June 27 July 1 Tier I 4-H2O Leadership Academy (pick-up/drop off in Waco, details TBD)
- July 1 June 30 Official 12-month term of service

Note: Feel free to contact me with any questions about the Program. (979) 862-1989. davidsmith@tamu.edu

4-H CORE Academy - Jun. 28 - Jul. 1 - Applications NOW OPEN, due May 1st

Information: Bandera, Gillespie, Kerr, & Kendall counties are working on a 4-H CORE Academy (Career Opportunities Reflecting Excellence) this summer June 28th – July 1st, 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 are due May 1**st and can be downloaded <u>HERE</u>. If you think you might have some 4-H youth interested in your area, please feel free to market using the brochure found <u>HERE</u>.



Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Applications OPEN, Due May 1st, 2021

<u>Information:</u> The Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador program is seeking motivated, passionate, and hard-working teens to improve the lives of Texans! The <u>HEALTHY TEXAS YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM</u> is the perfect opportunity for them to become trained in health, wellness, and safety while helping you grow your local program efforts! This program is designed for high school age youth (grades 9-12) who have a passion for health and wellness. These youth will be trained at the regional level to become youth health experts who can motivate others to make a change in their lifestyle to improve their health.

Who's Eligible?

Youth do <u>not</u> have to be current 4-H members but must join 4-H for the 2021-22 year. Agents are encouraged to look beyond the 4-H program and recruit youth from local school health advisory committees, health science programs, high school culinary arts programs, home school associations, community and church groups, and other youth organizations.

- Be in at least the 9th grade at beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.
- Submit online application by May 1, 2021 (https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3RisvLKymQZoPps)
- Have an interest and passion to serve others in health education which includes nutrition, physical activity, passenger safety, and safe environments!

What does the program entail?

Once youth are accepted to the program, they must fulfill the following obligations:

- Complete and report 40 hours of leadership, program efforts, or community service annually.
- Attend a Regional Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Summit in a location nearest to them.
- Attend face-to-face and online trainings
- Agree to the obligations and requirements outlined in the HTYA Handbook.
- New and returning ambassadors MUST complete a new application annually.
- Complete activities, goals, and commitments with excellence!
- For more detailed description of requirements and expectations, agents should review the **2021-22 Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Handbook**.

What is the cost?

Currently, there is no application fee for this program; however, selected ambassadors will be required to pay the estimated registration fee of \$75-\$100 for the regional Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Summit. Ambassadors selected will be responsible for any travel costs related to this or other trainings established by the county extension agent or regional Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Team. Actual program cost will vary from county to county and be dependent on activities and trainings offered.

Interested youth should complete the online application

at: https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 3RisvLKymQZoPps no later than May 1. Once online applications are received, these will be sent directly to the county Extension agent for review and selection of the youth they wish to serve in the program. Those selected will be expected to attend one of the regional trainings listed in the HTYA handbook and below. Locations and registration processes of trainings will be announced later.

Central Region	July 16
East Region	July 22
North Region	July 26
South Region	July 20
Southeast Region	July 21
West Region	June 30

Are you ready for Texas 4-H Summer Camps?

• 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:

Need a fun 4-H Summer Job?

The Texas 4-H Center is still taking summer staff applications! If you know of a current college student who wants to dedicate their summer to making it the best summer ever for hundreds of 4-H youth, send this information their way! Position and application information here: https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/about-2/employment/

<u>Texas 4-H Foundation Charity</u> <u>Golf Tournament</u>

It's time to play golf! This charity tournament will benefit the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation for scholarships and 4-H programs. The event is April 29, 2021 at the Waterchase Golf Course in Fort Worth. The shotgun start will begin at 1 PM, with lunch beginning at 11:30 and awards following play. Sign up to play, or sponsor the event! Both will benefit our Texas 4-H youth. For pricing, more information, and the link to sign up, click here: Informational FLYER



- 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

- · 3rd Grade and up
- All camp enrollment based on grade in 2021-2022 school year
- 4-H membership is NO required
- Pay deposit by June 14th or pay full amount
- Late fee \$50
- All adult volunteers must enroll as a 4-H volunteer, have verified background check, and complete child protection training in 4-H Connect prior to camp.



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





Email texas4-hcenter@ag.tamu.edu or visit texas4hcenter.tamu.edu for more information.



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 <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.

2021 Upcoming Virtual Trainings						
Record Book Training: Advanced Story	4/8/2021 @ 7PM	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO JOIN	Join to improve your Record Book Story!			
Bexar SALE Scholarship Help	4/13/2021@7pm	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO JOIN	Learn how to apply for the Bexar SALE Scholarship			
Record Book Training: Advanced Report Forms	4/22/2021@ 7PM	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO JOIN	Join to improve your Record Book Report Forms!			
Program Communication Strategies	4/27/2021@6pm	CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO SIGN UP	A meeting for leaders to share ideas, build regional connections, and learn from other volunteers throughout the country.			

<u> Texas Virtual College Tours – Begins April 6th – Ends April 29th</u>

Let's help our youth build their best future! The Texas 4-H Military Partnership has put together a series of virtual tours of colleges and universities throughout Texas for the month of April. Attached you will find a flyer with the schedule of events and a link to our Virtual College Tours site. Through the site you will be able to register for the virtual college tours, explore Texas colleges that support the Yellow Ribbon Program, explore "Purple" Texas colleges, and access additional resources to aid in college and career exploration and applications. I have also included the link to the site below. https://sites.google.com/view/virtualcollegetours/home

Please note that we do have Lamar University scheduled for April 27th, but we are awaiting time slot confirmation. You may still go ahead and register for that tour and will receive an updated email once the time slot is confirmed. Keep an eye on the website for any updates or changes to the schedule! Please share this information with all members!

Veterinary Science Certificate Program (Virtual Informational for Adult Leaders)

• The Veterinary Science Certificate Program would like to announce their Spring Informational for CEA and Adult leaders on **April 26-27th.** During these two half day informationals we will talk about the VSCP as an overview, talk about different opportunities we have and discuss how to perform different a skills as well as talk about the 78 skills needed to obtain their CVA. We will offer multiple ways to teach the skills and you might even learn some new ways to teach these skills that you never would have thought about. More information will be available early next month. If you are interested please let us know at vetscience@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/

<u>Lego Mindstorm EV3 being DISCONTINUED – June 30, 2021</u>

<u>Information:</u> Lego has officially declared the discontinuation of the Mindstorm EV3 kit.

What does this mean for Texas 4-H?

- If you want to purchase an EV3 kit or spare parts, I recommend you do that ASAP. U.S. sales will continue until June 30, 2021, depending on stock availability.
- We will continue to use EV3 kits in our 4-H contests for years to come. If you already have EV3 kits, no worries. Keep using those.
- We will evaluate the newer Lego robot kits and update everyone once any decisions or rule changes to our 4-H contests have been made.
- This WILL NOT impact this year's Robotics Challenge at Texas 4-H Roundup. We will proceed with the current published rules for Roundup 2020-21.
- At some point, this will likely impact future AgRobotics contests held at major stock shows. Watch for any equipment rule changes when those are published by each respective show next season. We will likely continue with EV3's at those contests for a number of years, but may also add the newer kits.

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.

<u>Facebook Groups:</u> 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

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.



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

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.
- Every contest will conduct their awards ceremony virtually.
- 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.

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

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.

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 /State Photography Updates

- State Photography: RULES Deadline is April 15, 2021. After the 15th, NO late entries. Entry via 4HOnline HERE
- There has been a slight change in the registration process. Members will continue to make category selections and pay for entries on 4HOnline, but will now upload their photos in a separate system called Submittable (the same platform we used last year for online judging). When a member completes his/her 4HOnline registration, he/she will receive an automated email with a link and instructions to upload their photos into Submittable.
 - State Photography Contest in need of JUDGES: Sign up Information 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 <u>Leaders 4 Life Contest Letter</u>. 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_xn3qX9pREBfURfxtSukl3WXTNXst8x5PnEV0/edit

District 10 Smallbore Rifle Reminders – April 24, 2021 (Guidelines HERE)

- If you will be competing at the District 10 Smallbore Rifle contest please do not forget to fill out your WAIVER FORM (click to download) and return to ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu ASAP!
- 2021 Shooting Sports Extravaganza Early registration closes April 7, 2021
 - o The 2021 Shooting Sports Extravaganza is a "Go". This is a "Beginner Match".
 - Registration is live on 4-HOnline at this time (March 23-April 7). The match information is posted HERE.
- Kerr County 4-H Trap & Skeet Shoot Early registration closes May 21, 2021
 - Kerr 4-H is excited to announce our annual Trap & Skeet Shoot will be happening this year, June 4-6th, in Kerrville at the Hill Country Shooting Sports Center.

- Registration is now open on iClays for this event with early registration closing on May 21st.
- Events include International Skeet, International Trap, American Skeet, American Trap, Whiz-Bang and Sporting Clays.
- o This shoot is a qualifying shoot for the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Whiz Bang Finals.
- See the attached registration packet and flyer for more information.
- o Deadline for iClays Registration is May 21st, 2021
- Burnet County 3D Archery Shoot May 15, 2021 (Flyer HERE)

2021 Texas 4-H Dog Show Updates

The 2021 Texas 4-H Dog Show will be held on July 9-10, 2021 at the Walker County Fairgrounds in Huntsville, Texas. Entries will open after April 5, 2021 and will close for regular entries on May 7, 2021 on 4HOnline. If this is your first time to participate at the Texas 4-H Dog Show and you have not been showing your dog with other organizations, you will start at the lowest skill level in the events you are entering. For those who have experience showing, please refer to the progression rules for your event to determine which skill level class you will enter. I have attached a Progression Quick Reference your convenience HERE. The full rules and additional support materials are available on the Texas 4-H Dog Show webpage at https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/dog-care-training/

There are opportunities to participate without a validated dog:

Foster/Family Dog – Page 10 This program offers a few events to dogs that have never been validated.

Photography Contest – Page 28 Any 4-H member can enter dog related photographs in the categories offered.

Bee County Invitational Ag Product ID Contest & Cupcake Wars Contest

Bee County 4-H is hosting an Ag product ID contest as well as Cupcake Wars contest! The contests will be May 23, 2021. Registration will be from 1:00 to 1:30 PM. Registration fee is \$40 for teams \$10 for individuals. Cupcake Wars entry fee will be \$10. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

2021 T-Mobile ChangeMaker Challenge - Due April 8, 2021

<u>Information:</u> Do you have an idea to change the world? Already changing the world? T-Mobile and Ashoka want to hear about it! Apply to the T-Mobile Changemaker Challenge by April 8, 2021. The top 15 winners will receive \$5,000, and one grand prize winner will receive \$15,000 to supercharge their idea! Selected teams will also be invited to a two-day Changemaker Lab focused on collaboration, storytelling, and skill development. Apply Now!

2021 WHEP Contest - Registration Deadline on 4HOnline April 9, 2021

Information: The Texas 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project (WHEP) is an interactive program that teaches youth about wildlife, habitat, habitat management, and natural resources stewardship, as well as, life skills such as team work, critical thinking, and public speaking. Creating educated and involved stewards of natural resources is the long term goal. The Texas 4-H WHEP Contest is held annually in a different part of the state to provide participants with a different ecological region to be explored and studied each year. The contest is designed for each age division in 4-H and is held outdoors in wildlife habitat as described in the Rules and Procedures. Join us May 8-9th in Cross Plains, Texas for this year's contest. Registration/ContestInformation HERE.

CEP State Photography Contest - Due June 3, 2021

If you are interested in entering the CEP 4-H State Photography Contest please see the following <u>LETTER</u> with the rules and categories (and <u>Promotional flyer</u>). Please note that all materials attached are updated to reflect that HEB is providing \$20 gift cards to all "Best in Show" winners. Please distribute as you see fit and please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions about the contest. Entries can be sent directly to me via email to netucker@ag.tamu.edu

TOP CHEF Jr. Casting Call! APPLY NOW!

<u>Information:</u> If your kid aspires to be the next Thomas Keller or Julia Child and knows the difference between sous vide and sautéing, then this is the show for them! We are on a nationwide search for the best young chefs and their partners who want a chance to compete like a Top Chef and win a large fantastic prize!

APPLY HERE! https://topchefjrs3.castingcrane.com/age-gate

<u>2020-2021 County – District – State Contest Dates</u>

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.

County Fashion/D2D/Storyboard Contest – March 27, 2021 (RULES POSTED!)

County Share-the-Fun Contest – April 3, 2021 *Virtual(RULES POSTED!)

District 10 Meat Judging (San Angelo) – April 14, 2021 (Rules POSTED!)

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 Spring Roundup (Fredericksburg, TX) – April 21-24, 2020 (Guide POSTED!)

- Livestock Judging (Spring Roundup Guide)
- Share-The-Fun (Spring Roundup Guide)
- Range & Pasture ID & Range Evaluation (Spring Roundup Guide)
- Leaders 4 Life (Rules Posted!)
- Mohair, Wool, Soil Judging (<u>Spring Roundup Guide</u>)
- Fashion Show & Storyboard & Duds 2 Dazzle (<u>Duds 2 Dazzle Rules Posted</u>!) (<u>Spring Roundup Guide</u>)
- Smallbore Rifle (<u>Rules Posted</u>!)

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

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 <a href="https://texas4-http

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.

- <u>Masks will be required to be worn while at the event</u>. This includes even when outside where 6 feet of physical distancing is difficult to maintain.
- <u>Expect our contest days to be longer</u> 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 as 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.

Texas 4-H ROUNDUP 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!

Texas 4-H Roundup Hotel Room Blocks

- We have secured room rates with several hotels in the Bryan College Station area for the 2021 Texas 4-H
 Roundup. PLEASE NOTE: Hotel accommodations and cancellations policies vary by hotel. Please confirm
 details prior to booking with the hotel directly so that you are aware of their cancellation requirements
 and their amenities offered. Most all hotels are offering LESS THAN \$109 room rates this year!!!
- We will also be continuing the use of the Texas 4-H Roundup blog this year. We have posted the hotel information to this page at https://tinyurl.com/bdsmju8.

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 (See Website for Details)

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

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

