





IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

- MAY 27 Texas 4-H Roundup T-Shirt Sales Close
- MAY 27 Texas 4-H Dog Show Late Entry Deadline
- MAY 28 District 10 Horse Show Registration CLOSES on 4HOnline
- MAY 28 Virtual CATFISH Skill-A-Thon Free Check-it-Stik deadline
- MAY 29 PVAMU S.A.L.E. Scholarship Application Due!
- MAY 29-JUN 3 Hill Country Camp Brownwood, TX
- MAY 31 District 10 Leadership Lab & District Council Officer DEADLINE
- MAY 31 PVAMU CEP Youth Lab Deadline Extended!
- JUN 1-3 Virtual LEAD Academy, Click here for session details!
- JUN 1 Design a Boot 4-H Contest for BOGS Submission Deadline
- JUN 1 Bandera Cowboy Blast 2021 (Shotgun Competition) Closes
- JUN 3 CEP Photography Contest SUBMISSION DEADLINE
- JUN 3 Club Manager Training #1 @ Bexar Ext. Office 10am or 6:30pm
- JUN 4-6 TAMU Horse Judging Camp
- JUN 10 2021 CTYF Jackpot Show
- JUN 14 County Record Books/Awards DUE (Record Books) (Awards)
- JUN 14 Bexar County Ambassador Applications DEADLINE (Via Online)
- JUN 15 Bexar County 4-H Horse Leadership Scholarships DUE!
- JUN 16-18 Fishing Camp Brownwood, TX
- JUN 16-18 STEM Camp Brownwood, TX
- JUN 16-18 Wildlife Camp Brownwood, TX
- JUN 16-19 Aperture Academy Camp Brownwood, TX
- JUN 17 Texas 4-H State Games Registration Deadline
- JUN 19 Guadalupe County 4-H Shotgun Shoot
- JUN 23-25 District 10 Leadership Lab Register on 4HOnline
- JUN 24-25 Vet Science (VSCP) Virtual Teacher Trainings
- JUN 25 Texas 4-H Club Charters DUE for 2021-2022 Sept. 1 Activation!
- JUN 27 Texas 4-H GLOBE Program (Costa Rica) Close on 4HOnline
- JUN 28-30 Mission Possible Camp Brownwood, TX
- JUN 27-JUL 1 Horizons Camp Brownwood, TX
- JUL 1-3 County Camp 1 Brownwood, TX
- JUL 5-7 County Camp 2 Brownwood, TX
- JUL 7-9 Outdoor Adventure Camp Brownwood, TX
- JUL 9 Bexar County Gold Star & Ambassador Interviews-SAVE THE DATE
- JUL 11-14 Prime Time Camp 1 Brownwood, TX
- JUL 14-17 Prime Time Camp 2 Brownwood, TX
- JUL 19-24 Youth Agriculture Lifetime Leadership (YALL) Tour
- JUL 24 Helotes 3D Archery Shoot
- JUL 24-AUG 18 Texas 4-H International Exchange Program Dates
- JUL 26 Fayette County Food Challenge Invitational Contest
- JUL 30-AUG 1 2021 Sheep Capital Lamb Camp in San Angelo, TX



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2021 District 10 Leadership Lab CLOSES – May 31st

Information: What is Leadership Lab? Leadership Lab is our end of the year District 10 meeting where members age 13+ get to experience fun leadership and outdoor activities at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood, Texas. Additionally, it's an opportunity for members who have attended Lab prior to run for District 10 Council and Texas 4-H State Council! Please see the Lab Letter and District Council Letter and reference the following items on page 9 to register and promote our 2021

Leadership Lab hosted June 23-25, 2021 at the Texas 4-H Conference Center in Brownwood, Texas.

NEW

Upcoming Summer Validation Calendar (full list on Pg. 5)

| June 9, 2021 | Steer & Heifer | 8:30am-11pm | O'Connor HS |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|---|
| June 10, 2021 | Steer & Heifer | 8:30am-11pm | James Madison HS: SIGN UP HERE |
| June 23, 2021 | Steer & Heifer | 4pm- 7:40pm | East Central HS: SIGN UP HERE |
| June 23, 2021 | State Fair | 8:00am -11:00 | Easter Central HS: <u>HOG SIGN UP</u> OR <u>L/G SIGN UP</u> |

SAVE THE DATE: 2021 Upcoming Virtual County Trainings

| Club Manager Training | 6/3/2021 | <mark>In Person:</mark> | A meeting to help future |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| | Session 1: @10am | Bexar Ext. Office | club managers understand |
| | Session 2: @6:30pm | 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. S-208 | their role as volunteer |
| | | | leaders and facilitators in the Bexar 4-H Program. |
| Club Manager Training | 6/11/2021 | Virtual Lunch & Learn | the bekar 4-11 Flogram. |
| (Virtual) | 0, 11, 2011 | CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO JOIN | *Note: Charters must be |
| | | | turned in before 6/25/2021 |
| | = / / | | in order to be activated |
| LATE Club Manager | 7/13/2021 | In Person: | on/by Sept. 1 st , 2021. If you charter after this date, |
| Training | Session 1: @10am | Bexar Ext. Office | your activation date may |
| 9 | Session 2: @6:30pm | 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. S-208 | be later than Sept. 1st, |
| | | | 2021. |
| | | | A great training for new or |
| | 7/30/2021 | | aspiring club officers. A |
| Club Officer Training | CAVE THE DATE | In Person: Location TBA | chance to meet others in |
| | SAVE THE DATE | | our County and play fun |
| | | | games! |

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 soon be moving to a 75% staffing capacity after May 31st. Please continue to call/schedule appointments with appropriate agents for a face to face visit.

 CURRENT POLICY ON 4-H CLUB MEETINGS: Regular Face-to-Face meetings can resume! We encourage all our clubs to carry out safety measures during their meetings. See next page for

2. The following CDC information relates to how COVID-19 is spread:

suggested guidelines.

- 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,

With all the new changes and progression towards opening we would like to thank you all for doing your best to keep our members and families safe. We are currently in the process of opening to a 75% staffing capacity after May 31st and Extension personnel may begin conducting face to face programming. *Please let us know how we can assist in your trainings!*

4-H Clubs can continue meeting. Due to many changes, we still encourage all of you to take necessary precautions when meeting! 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.

We are still be asked to continue using the **COVID-19 Screening Letter and Waiver Form.** 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

Natalie Cervantes

County Extension Agent – 4-H & Youth Development

Bexar County

4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS

2021 Validation Information & Calendar

Note: You will need to sign up for a validation slot if you are attending the James Madison or East Central validation event.

Steer and Heifer Validation

June 9 – 8:30 - 11 am O'Connor June 10 – 8:30 - 11 am James Madison – SIGN UP FOR SLOT <u>HERE</u>. June 23 – 4 – 7:30 pm East Central – SIGN UP FOR SLOT HERE.

State Fair of Texas Lamb, Goat and Swine Validation

June 23 – 8 – 11 am East Central Hog Sign Up <u>SLOTS HERE</u> L/G Sign Up SLOTS HERE

Sheep and Goat Validation

October 12 – 3:30 – 6 pm O'Connor October 14 – 3 – 6 pm James Madison October 20 – 5 – 7 pm East Central

Fall Heifer Validation

October 23 – 9 – 11 am East Central

Swine Validation

November 9-4-6 pm Judson November 10-4:30-6 pm Southwest November 13-2-5 pm O'Connor (Gerlach Showbarn) November 16-4-6 pm James Madison November 23-2-5 pm East Central

• Steer Validation Tag Order (Limited LATE TAGS Available):

All steers to be shown at the county and/or major livestock shows must be validated. Please email Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu if you are in need of late tags. Sam will provide pricing/payment information Make checks payable to Bexar 4-H Fund. Validation will take place in June. Date, time and locations will be announced above.

• State Fair Swine Tag Order (Limited LATE TAGS Available):

All barrows, purebred and crossbred gilts to be shown at the 2021 State Fair of Texas must be validated. Please email Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu if you are in need of late tags. Sam will provide pricing/payment information Make checks payable to Bexar 4-H Fund. Validation will take place in June. Date, time and locations will be announced above.

• Spring/Summer Heifer Validation Tag Order (Limited LATE TAGS Available):

All heifers to be shown at major livestock shows must be validated. Please email Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu if you are in need of late tags. Sam will provide pricing/payment information Make checks payable to Bexar 4-H Fund. Validation will take place in June. Date, time and locations will be announced above.

Upcoming Livestock Programs, Clinics & Shows



2021 Sheep Capital Lamb Camp (San Angelo Texas) July 30th – August 1st, 2021

The San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office in Tom Green county are proud to present the Sheep Capital Lamb Camp to be held in San Angelo, Texas on the fairgrounds July 30 – August 1, 2021. The camp will be open to incoming 3rd Graders through Seniors in high school, and exhibitors of all levels of experience are welcome to participate. Camp will be a three-day program, kicking off on Friday, July 30, with registration that morning, and the clinic starting shortly after Noon. Saturday will be a full day of clinic information, and hands on experience for the showman. Sunday will wrap things up with a showmanship contest for the age divisions, and an awards program wrapping up just after lunch! The registration fee will include breakfast Saturday and Sunday, and lunch Saturday and Sunday, a t-shirt, and a camp packet. Registration and information can be found at:

- http://counties.agrilife.org/tomgreen/files/2021/05/Sheep-Capital-Lamb-Camp-ALL-Forms.pdf
- https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/events/2021/sheep-capital-lamb-camp

Registration is available beginning May 3. Forms may be mailed to:

San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo

Attn: Brittni Kaczyk 200 West 43rd Street San Angelo, Texas 76903

or submitted by e-mail to: Brittni@sanangelorodeo.com



2021 CTYF Jackpot Show (Clifton, TX) – June 10, 2021

The 2021 CTYF Jackpot Show will take place June 10, 2021 at the Central Texas Youth Fair Grounds in Clifton, TX (76634). Please see FLYER for details. For rules and entry forms please go to: https://bosque.agrilife.org/4-h/central-texas-youth-fair/

- 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 Sam at Sam.Womble@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 ask you 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
- 10th Annual Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo It's official! The 10th Annual Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo is happening this fall! Get your boots dusted off as we BRING IT ON!! Kick-off weekend is October 16-17 with the full fair happening October 22-24! Stay tuned for more updates or visit our website for more information www.BrazosValleyFair.com



Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders Scholarship - Due June 15, 2021

- <u>Information:</u> The Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders will be awarding scholarships to outstanding graduating senior 4-H members who were involved in the Bexar County 4-H Horse Project. Below are the application guidelines and instructions for applying:
 - 2021 Bexar 4-H Horse Leaders Scholarship: APPLICATION HERE
 - Deadline June 15,2021 (Due to the Bexar 4-H Office: 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Suite 212)

<u>Show Information:</u> Congratulations to everyone on completing the Open Horse Show series during a challenging year! Upcoming show information is available on the <u>Bexar 4-H Horse Leaders Facebook page</u>. 4-H member competing for end of the year awards & prizes MUST complete an academic eligibility form to remain eligible for competitive awards.

<u>District 10 4-H Horse Show Letter & Information - Deadline: May 28, 2021</u>

- <u>Information:</u> The District 10 4-H Horse Show is scheduled to be held *June 16-17, 2021 at the Dripping Springs Ranch Park, Dripping Springs, TX.* Members should carefully review the attached <u>information packet</u> so you can correctly register for the event.
- Please remember that **ALL** Horses must be validated by May 1, 2021 and there is a validation fee per horse. If a horse is being validated for more than one child in the family, that horse must only be validated one time but all children need to be listed for the animal. The process will be done on 4-H Online, go to v2.4honline.com!
- The District will offer the following **28** classes in Divisions that make up the Qualifying Show. A 4-Her must show in at least one class in a Division in order to 'qualify' for the State 4-H Horse Show in that particular division. A futurity project horse must be shown at District in order to qualify for a futurity division at the State Show. Be sure to review the entire packet to see how the divisions are grouped and many more details on all the changes.

Texas 4-H State Horse Show: Mark your calendar for the 2021 Texas State 4-H Horse Show, July 25-30, 2021! The 58th Annual Texas State 4-H Horse Show will be taking place at the Brazos County Expo in Bryan, TX. The Texas State 4-H Horse Show is the pinnacle of the 4-H horse project and offers many opportunities to 4-H youth including up to 40 classes of competition, educational programs, scholarships, and college preparation opportunities.

- o 2021 State Horse Show Rules & Regulations
- o 2021 Schedule of Events Tentative
- Texas State 4-H Horse Show Hotel Information
 - RV spots with electricity and water will be available at the Brazos County Expo for \$30/night on a first come, first served basis. Dump stations are available onsite!
- State 4-H Horse Show Sponsorship Form



SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Club Officer Training: July 30, 2021 (Friday) In Person Event 2021 Awards Program: July 31, 2021 (Saturday) In Person Event

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)

PVAMU CEP Youth Lab - Deadline Extended until May 31st, 2021

• <u>Information:</u> The Youth Lab summer program reaches teens throughout the State of Texas. The 4-H Youth Development unit will host the virtual camp July 14-17, 2021 to introduce young people to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) careers. This year youth will identify their strengths while focusing on technology and marketing jobs within agriculture. Deadline to apply is May 31, 2021. Click <u>HERE</u> to apply!

<u>Kubota National Contest - Vote Bexar County Junior Livestock Show</u>



• <u>Information:</u> 4-H Members, please go vote for the Bexar County Junior Livestock Show in the Kubota National Contest for a \$100,000 grant to improve the BCJLS facilities. BCJLS is one of the five finalists in this contest! Voting is online from May 24th thru June 25th and you can vote each day. Each person that votes is registered for a drawing for a Kubota zero-turn mower or a sub-compact tractor. https://www.kubotausa.com/hometown-proud-vote

Texas 4-H Club Chartering Documents RELEASED for 2021-2022- Deadline June 25th

Linked is the <u>2021-2022 Chartering Packet</u> which includes the necessary documents needed to charter a 4-H club for the 2021-2022 4-H Year. The documents are also located online at: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/management/. Items to note include:

- 2021-2022 Texas 4-H Chartering Instructions Contains all instructions and resources. *Please note the timeline and important deadlines!*
- 2021-2022 Charter Agreement
- Sample Bylaws (Word Doc): The sample bylaws are developed to serve as a guide for clubs/groups to use in bylaw development and/or revision. Chartered clubs/groups have flexibility with their bylaws; however, the items in bold in the sample set are required to be in the all bylaws. When you review the sample bylaws, you will notice LESS bolded/required items. This does not mean you have to change your bylaws, as long as they meet the minimum requirements, which they should if they were in compliance last year. Club/group bylaws may also not conflict with the Texas 4-H Rules and Guidelines and/or the charter agreement.
- 2020-2021 Financial Review Form: Will not apply to you since you do not have a bank account at this time.
- Charter Worksheet for Club/Group Managers to complete and use to fill out information in 4-H CONNECT This form is simply a worksheet and **should not be uploaded**.
- 4-H CONNECT Chartering Instructional Video: Shows step-by-step instructions on how to charter.
- Instructions on how to check the status of your charter after submission.
- Questions? Email ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu

Texas 4-H State Roundup T-Shirts for SALE!



• <u>Information:</u> All 4-H'ers who registered for Roundup will be getting a COMPLIMENTARY t-shirt, but we also want to sell this year's commemorative t-shirt to siblings, parents, agents, volunteers, friends, everybody! Online sales are OPEN (<u>ORDER HERE</u>)! Shirts are available for pickup during Roundup only. No shipping is available. \$15.00 each. There will be no refunds for t-shirts ordered. T-shirt design may vary slightly.

2021 District 10 Leadership Lab – THEME: SURVIVOR!

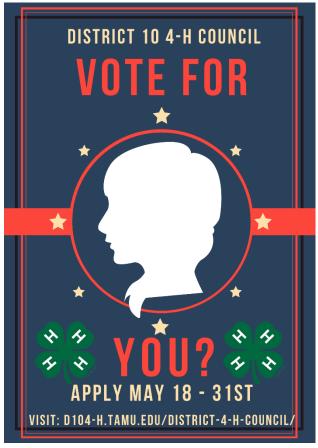


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- 1. 2021 Leadership Lab Letter Includes registration dates (May 18th until May 31st on 4HOnline), cost, important event information.
 - a. 2021 Leadership Lab Waiver & Indemnification Form CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD
 - b. 2021 HSS (Health & Safety Statement) Form CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD
- 2. 2021 District 10 Officer Election Letter Includes eligibility requirements to serve as a District 10 Officer, application deadlines (May 18th until 31st on d104-h.tamu.edu/district-4-h-council/), election process, and required workshop dates for potential officers.
- 3. 2021 District 10 Council ByLaws Includes job description for each officer position as well as further clarification on District 10 Officer eligibility.

All of these documents as well as the District 10 Officer Application are available on the the d104h.tamu.edu/district-4-h-council/ page for your convenience. Please let me know if you have any questions!





Texas 4-H GLOBE Program is back!



4-H'ers in grades 7-11, don't miss out on this global opportunity! GLOBE is a twoyear 4-H citizenship and leadership program featuring camp experiences. Year one features a camp at the Texas 4-H Center in June and year two features a global experience in Costa Rica. Check out the flyer for more information and then register at 4HOnline by June 27, 2021

<u>Texas 4-H International Exchange Program – </u> July 24 – August 18, 2021

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



Teen (Senior 4-Her's) 4-H Camp Counselors WANTED!

Information: The Texas 4-H Center is looking for Teen Camp Counselors! Attached are the application and Job Description for Volunteer 4-H Teen Camp Counselors. The Texas 4-H Center is looking for teens to assist us with our camping programs this summer. They will be provided room and board during the weeks that they volunteer. This is a great leadership opportunity for Senior Level 4-H Members. The Teens will be trained and will work directly with our Center Staff to assist with our programming and supervision of youth campers. If you have any teens that love mentoring and are interested please encourage them to fill out the application and return to **Melvin Atkinson** (see contact information below). If you have any questions please contact him at:



Melvin Atkinson (325) 784-5482 OR Email: Melvin.atkinson@ag.tamu.edu

2021 Veterinary Science Day Camps

Information: The Veterinary Science Certificate Program would like to announce the addition of 2 day camps in El Paso! These camps will provide exposure to the veterinary field while being able to gain hours and skills towards the individual's CVA. The Days camps will be June 30 and July 1st from 8am to 4pm. Registration will open up Monday May 17th. For more information you can contact Mrs. Nikki Boutwell at nicholle00@aol.com or 915-525-6100.

Cost: \$75/day (includes meals & materials)

Requirements: 14-18 years old as of September 1, 2020

Limit of 50 students per day, register now!



Are you ready for Texas 4-H Summer Camps?

• <u>Information:</u> Texas 4-H Summer Camp Registration is OPEN! Registration is on their website, <u>here</u>. 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 camp flyers below:

2021 Summer Camp List – ALL CAMPS, DATES and PRICES!

| May 29-Jun 3: <u>Hill Country Camp</u> | An adventure camp for youth, ages 14-18. Come experience rock climbing, mountain biking and exploring caves! Registration is still OPEN! |
|--|--|
| June 16-18: Fishing Camp | This camp is for any youth wanting to learn how to start fishing or to learn more about fishing in Texas. Youth will learn the basics of fishing along with some fun and interesting related topics and activities. Participants will also spend a lot of time fishing. |
| June 16-18: STEM Camp | Join us this summer for a fun, hands-on STEM Camp! Activities include 3D printing, aquatic robots, engineering challenges, aerospace, and so much more! |
| June 16-18: Wildlife Camp | This camp is for any youth wanting to learn more about wildlife and about stewardship in Texas. Youth will learn the basics of wildlife identification and habitat evaluation along with some fun and interesting related topics and activities. Participants will spend a lot of time outdoors! |
| June 16-19: Aperture Academy | This is a 4-day camp where participants will have the opportunity to learn basic photography skills and techniques from our best leaders and ambassadors. Youth will participate in hands-on activities and lessons on the grounds of the Texas 4-H Conference Center. |
| June 27-30: <u>Horizons Camp</u> | A camp featuring multiple 4-H project areas. Each youth selects either Woodworking, STEM, Vet Science, or Wildlife and goes on a full learning adventure for the length of the camp! |
| June 28-30: Mission Possible | An inclusive camp for youth with medically diagnosed disabilities to enjoy traditional camp experiences and raise awareness about the disability community. Email the Center for a camper application: texas4-hcenter@ag.tamu.edu |
| July 1-3: County Camps 1 | Perfect fit for a first time or returning camper that wants to try it all |
| July 5-7: County Camps 2 | and make new friends! Challenge course, swimming, archery, and more! 4-H membership NOT required to attend. |
| July 7-9: Outdoor Adventure Camp | This camp is for youth who love to be outdoors learning and having fun. Activities will cover topics about living in, playing in, and enjoying being outdoors. Campers will be outdoors all the time enjoying activities that will be unique to this camp. |
| July 11-14: Prime Time Camp 1 | Perfect fit for a first time or returning camper that wants to try it all |
| July 14-17: Prime Time Camp 2 | and make new friends their age! Challenge course, swimming, archery, and more! 4-H membership NOT required to attend. |

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/

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 <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 | | | | | | |
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| Club Manager Training | 6/3/2021 Session 1: @10am Session 2: @6:30pm | In Person: Bexar Ext. Office 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Suite 208 | A meeting to help future club managers understand their role as volunteer leaders and facilitators in the Bexar 4-H Program. | | | |
| Club Manager Training (Virtual) | 6/11/2021 | Virtual Lunch & Learn CLICK <u>HERE</u> TO SIGN UP | *Note: Charters must be turned in before 6/25/2021 in order to | | | |
| LATE Club Manager Training | 7/13/2021 Session 1: @10am Session 2: @6:30pm | In Person: Bexar Ext. Office 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Suite 208 | be activated on/by Sept. 1 st , 2021. If you charter after this date, your activation date may be later than Sept. 1 st , 2021. | | | |
| Club Officer Training | 7/30/2021 | In Person: Location TBA | A great training for new or aspiring club officers. A chance to meet others in our County and play fun games! | | | |

Vet Science (VSCP) Teacher Trainings

• <u>Information:</u> Do you teach veterinary science in your high school or at the County level? Do you want to sharpen your skills and share best practices with other teachers and agents? The VSCP Virtual Teacher-Training Workshop is for you! This workshop is taking place this Summer with 2 half-day sessions occurring on Thursday June 24th & Friday June 25th. To register please click the LINK HERE: <u>AgriLife Register: Veterinary Science Online Teacher Training (June 24-25) (tamu.edu)</u>

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/

Lego Mindstorm EV3 being DISCONTINUED – June 30, 2021

 $\underline{\textbf{Information:}} \ \text{Lego has officially declared the discontinuation of the Mindstorm EV3 kit.}$

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
- <u>High School Photography Educators</u>
- 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 July 27! 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 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 lttps://bit.ly/4HVolCall to get the Zoom link. And then mark your calendars for the upcoming sessions on 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.



- 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



Texas 4-H Roundup: Registration Instructions & Guidelines



For a list of all Roundup Contest Information: Please see Roundup Website

We wanted to remind everyone that Registration for Texas 4-H Roundup opened this **Saturday, May 1st. It will close** on May 12th. We will have a small window for late registrations at an increased rate.

- The Texas 4-H Roundup Registration information is now posted in our <u>2021 Roundup Registration Packet</u>
- This year as part of registration, we will be requiring a signed Health Statement in 44Online (Click HERE for instructions on how to register for an event). Before you submit registrations, be sure this document has been properly signed by a parent/guardian. We will also require that members upload a signed copy of the HSS Health & Safety Statement. Download HSS (Health Safety Statement) Required for Online Registration
- This year **ONLY YOUTH** will be required to register for Texas 4-H Roundup. However, **all youth must be accompanied by an adult.**
- Since this year's event will primarily focused on contest, youth will <u>check in and check out</u> each day from their contest location. Upon check out, they will be in the care of their parent/guardian or chaperone.
- As a reminder this year's event is open to only SENIOR level 4-H members (9th 12th graders as of 9/1/2020). We realize some of the contest specific rules and guidelines may still reflect Intermediate information regarding the contest opportunities, however the Texas 4-H Guide changes made in February noting NO INTERMEDIATES oversees all contest rules. Sorry for any confusion this may have caused our 4-H members.

2020-2021 Record Book, Awards, Ambassador Updates

County Record Books and Awards will be due June 14, 2021 via a Google Form Virtual Submission. Judging will also be conducted virtually to expedite this process. This portal will close June 14th, 2021 @11:59pm. Please submit each child's record book SEPARATELY. 2020-2021 Record Book Family Guide & 2021 Record Book Forms (Word Doc)

Please submit your County Record Books here: https://forms.gle/1cPJhPEeynweAS1n9

Please submit your County Awards here: https://forms.gle/E9dan3LTRbjuixeY9

For a full list of Award Forms/Requirements please see: https://bexar-tx.tamu.edu/4h-youth-development/awards/



4-H Ambassadors are a special group of selected youth who represent and promote the Bexar County
4-H program and Texas 4-H programs at various local/ regional events. Ambassadors are **role models** and **teachers**. They will have the opportunity to assist in educating youth and adults about the 4-H program. The Bexar County 4-H
Ambassadors also volunteer their time at various Extension events to enhance their
advocacy and leadership skills.

Please submit your Ambassador Application here: https://forms.gle/6iNPmJacEFxc246h6

• Downloadable Form HERE: https://agrilife.org/bexarcounty/files/2021/05/Ambassador-Application-2021-22.docx

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



Texas 4-H State Games Registration OPEN! Deadline June 17, 2021

We are excited that the 2021 Texas 4-H State Games will be held this year! See schedule below:

Hunting & Wildlife, Muzzle Loading, Pistol and Rifle Events – July 11-16, 2021 Austin Rifle Club, Manor

Archery Events - July 18-24, 2021; National Shooting Complex, San Antonio

Shotgun Events - July 20-24, 2021 National Shooting Complex, San Antonio

Registration STEP 1: May 11 - June 17, 2021 Registration STEP 2: May 25 - June 17, 2021 Registration Fees: \$95 per contestant

Late Registration: Any requests for late registration MUST go through the Texas 4-H Program Coordinator with a Late

Fee of \$300.00 NO EXCEPTIONS

For all contest information/rules/guidelines etc: 2021 Texas 4-H State Games HANDBOOK



71 2021 Roundup Rifle Schedule (Victoria, TX)

Youth registered for the Roundup rifle contest to be held in Victoria, TX on June 4, 5, 6, 2021, please check the schedule <u>HERE</u> to find your shooting times. Additional information can be found at the Texas 4-H Shooting Sports webpage or by contacting Larry Perez at <u>larry.perez@agnet.tamu.edu</u>.

2021 Roundup Archery Contest CHANGED to 3D Shoot – Will not be held indoors!

There will be a new format for our 2021 Texas 4-H Roundup Archery Contest. This year's event WILL NOT be held indoors on the campus of Texas A&M University as in the past. This year's shoot will be a 3D format instead and take place off campus. There will be one (1) start time. This contest will allow a maximum of 100 archers and will be open to only Senior level (high school) 4-H members. Registration will be a part of the Texas 4-H Roundup Registration which opens May 1 on 4HOnline. There will be no on-site registration or payment of any kind allowed at the event. The contest will take place on Tuesday, June 8th, 2021. Directions and other pertinent information for shooters and their parents will be posted on the Texas 4-H Shooting Sports webpage as well as emailed to participants. Please see more rules/information HERE.



Bandera Cowboy Blast 2021 – Deadline June 1st, 2021

Attention Shotgun Members! Linked is a <u>FLYER</u> for this year's Bandera Cowboy Blast competition on June 11th through 13th. The competition will feature trap and skeet at Bandera Gun club, and sporting clays and whizbang events at Meier Field. Registration is open on iclays and will close on June 1st. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Jackson at 210-365-5395 or at banderacoshotgun@yahoo.com.

Guadalupe County 4-H Shotgun Shoot – June 19th, 2021

Attached is the <u>flyer</u> for the Guadalupe County 4-H Shotgun Shoot on June 19. Registration will be on iClays. Please distribute as you see fit!

Helotes 3D Archery Shoot – July 24, 2021

The Helotes 4-H Wildlife Project is sponsoring an invitational 3D Archery Shoot for all shooting sports 4-H members. The shoot will be held on Saturday July 24, 2021 at 1825 CR 2615, Rio Medina TX from 8 to 10AM. Please see flyer here for entry/payment details: https://agrilife.org/bexarcounty/files/2021/05/3D-July-24-2021.pdf

Design a BOOT! 4-H Themed Contest by BOGS

• Information: Calling all artists! Do you have 4-H'ers that would love to design their own boots? Encourage them to enter the BOGS Design a Boot Contest for a chance to have your own custom art chosen and its pattern reproduced on a Limited Edition BOGS boot! See contest details HERE!

<u>District 10 4-H Horse Show Letter & Information – Deadline: May 28, 2021</u>

- <u>Information:</u> The District 10 4-H Horse Show is scheduled to be held *June 16-17, 2021 at the Dripping Springs Ranch Park, Dripping Springs, TX*. Members should carefully review the attached <u>information packet</u> so you can correctly register for the event.
- Please remember that ALL Horses must be validated by May 1, 2021 and there is a validation fee per horse. If
 a horse is being validated for more than one child in the family, that horse must only be validated one time
 but all children need to be listed for the animal. The process will be done on 4-H Online, go to
 v2.4honline.com!
- The District will offer the following **28** classes in Divisions that make up the Qualifying Show. A 4-Her must show in at least one class in a Division in order to 'qualify' for the State 4-H Horse Show in that particular division. A futurity project horse must be shown at District in order to qualify for a futurity division at the State Show. Be sure to review the entire packet to see how the divisions are grouped and many more details on all the changes.

2021 4-H Virtual Crappie Fishing Skill-A-Thon:

What is a Skill-a-thon?

The Virtual Crappie Skill-a-thon is comprised of two parts:

- 1. **Learn and Earn Educational Opportunities** to provide information in which youth participants and adults can gain knowledge on fishing tips and techniques, healthy cooking with fish, safety situations, laws and regulations, and trivia fun. These opportunities will be posted on the 2021 4-H Fishing Facebook page. No fee to participate.
- 2. **Fishing and Wishing to Win Tournament** scheduled dates for youth to fish at their location with the chance of winning weekly and overall tournament awards and prizes based upon fish length. See entry fees below for participation.

Participation Requirements

- Be enrolled in 4-H as a youth member or Clover Kid for the 2020-2021 year.
- Join the 2021 4-H Fishing Facebook page by clicking https://www.facebook.com/groups/1202432833284039/ Youth may use an adult's Facebook account to join and participate. Please see contest FLYER and CONTEST GUIDELINES!

Virtual CATFISH Skill-a-thon

<u>Information:</u> It's time to get ready for the 2021 Texas 4-H Virtual **CATFISH** Skill-a-thon. Don't miss out on the special opportunity for the first 50 registered 4-H'ers by May 28th to receive an official Check-it-Stik. Registration is open on <u>4HOnline</u>. Check the <u>LINK</u> for more information.



2021 Texas 4-H Dog Show Updates- LATE ENTRY DEADLINE EXTENDED

The 2021 Texas 4-H Dog Show will be held on July 9-10, 2021 at the Walker County Fairgrounds in Huntsville, Texas. Late Entries will close May 27th on 4HOnline. Participants are encouraged to begin working on which events classes you want to enter. I have attached a worksheet and a quick reference of progression rules for your convenience.

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 <u>HERE</u>. 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.

Texas 4-H Veterinary Science Skill-a-thon

• Information: The State 4-H Veterinary Science Skill-a-thon is a competitive event designed to test the knowledge and skills that 4-H members gain through involvement in a Veterinary Science project. The idea of the skill-a-thon is to use career oriented materials to help develop knowledge to prepare youth in work force development in the field of veterinary medicine. The contest sections will include test, ID and Practicum with the top 3 moving on to the communication round. The contest will be held Thursday June 10th. Time and place TBD. If you have any questions please contact Tyler Vogel at tyler.vogel@ag.tamu.edu.

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Fayette County Fair Food Challenge - July 26, 2021

Fayette County Fair is pleased to announce they will be hosting an Invitational Food Challenge Contest. It will be held on Monday, July 26 with registration starting right before lunch and contest starting around noon. See attached rules for additional information. We hope to see you in Fayette County this summer. Please reach out to Kayla Kaspar at kmkaspar@ag.tamu.edu if you have any questions.

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

<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.

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

<u>COVID-19 Related CHANGES -</u> We have created a document titled <u>Expectations 2021 Texas 4-H Roundup</u> which has been posted to our Texas 4-H Roundup webpage at https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/

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.
- <u>Post assembly activities such as the kick-off event, dance and concert are not scheduled at this time.</u> 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 (Dripping Springs, TX) – June 16-17, 2021 (Rules POSTED!)

District 10 Leadership Lab (Brownwood) – June 23-25, 2021 (Information HERE)

District 10 Record Book Judging (Fredericksburg, TX) – July 8, 2021

Texas 4-H Dog Show (Huntsville) – July 9-10, 2021 (See Website for Details)

Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games (San Antonio/Manor) - Deadline June 17, 2021 (Guide POSTED!)

Hunting & Wildlife, Muzzle Loading, Pistol and Rifle Events – July 11-16, 2021 Austin Rifle Club, Manor Archery Events - July 18-24, 2021; National Shooting Complex, San Antonio

Shotgun Events - July 20-24, 2021 National Shooting Complex, San Antonio

Texas 4-H Horse Show (Bryan, TX) – July 25-30, 2021

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