



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

- JAN 27 – [TX State University CFFA Livestock Judging DEADLINE](#)
- JAN 31 – [Texas Corn Producers Scholarship DEADLINE](#)
- FEB 1 – [Bell County Virtual Vet Science Contest DEADLINE](#)
- FEB 1 – [2022 TX 4-H Reel'em In Fishing Skill-A-Thon OPENS](#) on [4HOnline](#)
- FEB 4-6 – [2022 Retro Refashion Retreat \(Space Limited!\)](#) Register [4HOnline](#)
- FEB 7 – [Invitational Dog Show Brazos County 4-H K-9 Club](#)
- FEB 10 – [TX Photography Ambassador Workshop RSVP DEADLINE](#)
- FEB 10 – [Bell County Livestock Judging / Ag Product ID Contest DEADLINE](#)
- FEB 12 – [SALE Youth Day *Extra Tables Available, Sign Up Extended!](#)
- FEB 14 – [World Food Prize Texas Youth Institute DEADLINE](#)
- FEB 19 – [District 10 Consumer Decision Making Contest Day](#)
- FEB 19-20 – [TX 4-H Sportfishing Project Leader Training \(Fort Bend, TX\)](#)
- FEB 21 – [District 10 Photography Contest DEADLINE](#) on [4HOnline](#)
- FEB 23 – [Grayson County AgRobotics Contest Registration DEADLINE](#)
- FEB 26-27 – [TX 4-H Hunting Project Coach Certification Trg. \(Shelby TX\)](#)
- MAR 1 – **Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Information Released! Pg. 5**
- MAR 1 – [EPA's "Companies Crushing Pollution" Video Challenge DEADLINE](#)
- MAR 3 – [\(Brownwood\) Shooting Sports Coaches Trg. Registration DEADLINE](#)
- MAR 5 – [Bexar 4-H Horse Hunter/Jumper School Final Show](#)
- MAR 10 – Virtual Scholarship & Interview Trg.–[Microsoft Teams LINK](#) @7PM
- MAR 11 – [Texas 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Nominations DUE](#)
- MAR 12 – **SAVE THE DATE: County Roundup: Share the Fun & Fashion Show**
- MAR 12 – [Youth Garden Spring Educator Training](#)
- MAR 14 – [Bexar County Photography Contest DEADLINE](#)
- MAR 15 – [TX Brigades Youth Conservation & Leadership Camps DEADLINE](#)
- MAR 17 – **County Council Meeting @7PM at Bexar Co. Extension Office**
- MAR 19 – **Mission San Juan Farm Community Service Day: 8:30 – 11AM**
- MAR 21 – District 10 Spring Round Up Registration Opens on [4HOnline](#)
- MAR 21 – [District 10 Meat Judging Registration Opens](#) on [4HOnline](#)
- MAR 24 – Virtual Beginner Record Book Trg. – [Microsoft Teams LINK](#) @7PM
- MAR 26 – [Bexar 4-H Open Horse Show \(Final show of the season!\)](#)
- MAR 28 – [National 4-H Youth in Action Awards Application DEADLINE](#)
- MAR 30 – District 10 Spring Round Up Registration Closes on [4HOnline](#)
- APR 1 – [Leon County Youth Livestock Judging/AG ID Contest DEADLINE](#)
- APR 4 – [National 4-H Healthy Living Summit Registration DEADLINE](#)
- APR 6 – [District 10 Meat Judging Registration Closes](#) on [4HOnline](#)
- APR 7 – Advanced Record Book Story Trg. –[Microsoft Teams LINK](#) @7PM
- APR 15 – [TX 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project State Contest DEADLINE](#)
- APR 28 – Advanced Record Book Report Forms Trg.–[Microsoft Teams](#)@7PM
- MAY 1 – [4-H CORE Academy Tour Registration DEADLINE](#)

⚠️ QUICK LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS! ⚠️

- All Academic Eligibility checks for Rodeo participation will be done through our office. We will contact schools directly for eligibility. If child is deemed ineligible by the school, we will contact parents directly.
- San Antonio Calf Scramble dates have been emailed out to parents. Make sure you read the instructions in the email.

Upcoming Reminders:

From Sam Womble:

- We want to wish all exhibitors luck in the upcoming Major Rodeos!
- Rodeo Passes will be coming in. We will email you when passes are ready for pick up.
- Make sure you are checking the rodeo premium lists for schedules and updates. Make sure you are familiar with the rules and following the animal health requirements for each show.

If you have questions or need help with your projects – feeding, health, showmanship, etc. I'm happy to help you. Feel free to contact me to schedule a date and time: Email –

Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu

From Natalie Cervantes:

- Bexar 4-H County Council will be hosting a community service project on **Saturday March, 19, 2022 at the Mission San Juan Community Farm from 8:30-11:00 AM.** Our work on the farm will directly support the San Antonio Food Bank!
- How to Volunteer: Sign up with Sarah Nichols at sarah.nichols@ag.tamu.edu



4-H LIVESTOCK & HORSE EVENTS

Upcoming Livestock Programs, Clinics & Shows

- **Texas State University CFFA Livestock Judging Contest – January 28, 2022**
Deadline for registration on JudginCard.com is Jan. 27th! See [FLYER](#) for information
- **2022 Bell County Youth Fair Invitational: online registration at**
<https://www.judgingcard.com/Registration/Info.aspx?ID=13712>
 - Livestock Judging Contest – February 11, 2022 **Registration Deadline Feb. 10**
 - Ag Product ID Contest – February 11, 2022 **Registration Deadline Feb. 10**
 - Virtual Vet Science Contest – Virtual Feb 4-11, 2022 **Registration Deadline Feb. 1**
- **Leon County Youth Livestock Show Invitational Livestock Judging Contest – April 15, 2022**
[FLYER](#) Registration online through JudgingCard Registration Deadline April 1 / Late Entry Deadline April 6
- **2022 Leon County Youth Livestock Show Agricultural Product Identification Contest – April 15, 2022**
[FLYER](#) Registration Deadline April 1 / Late Entry Deadline April 6

District 10 2022 Meat Judging @ San Angelo – April 13, 2022

The District 10 Meat Judging contest will be held in San Angelo University Meats Lab (7945 Grape Creek Rd., San Angelo TX) on April 13th, 2022. **Regular Registration will OPEN March 21 – and CLOSE April 6, 2022;** Late registration April 7-8 (+\$25 Late Fee) on 4HOnline. Click [HERE](#) for full letter of rules and information.



Horse Project Events & Resources



Upcoming Bexar County 4-H Open Horse Show Schedule (21-22)

- **Information:** The Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders will be hosting a series of Open Horse shows for the 2021-2022 4-H Year. All 4-H members who are involved in the Bexar County 4-H Horse Project are welcome! Below are the dates and information for each show. You can also see the flyer [HERE](#).
 - **March 26, 2022**
- **All shows will be held at the Guadalupe County Fair Grounds in Seguin, TX!** Stalls, RV Hookups, Concessions are available at the show. Open arena the night before. \$85 All Day Fee or \$10 per Class (+Office/Stall/Ground Fees)
- **Awards:** Grand/Reserve for all divisions (English, Western, Speed). Performance All-Around awards in each age group and Ribbons (1st-10th in every class). Series prizes awarded at end of the year (eligibility required).
- **Age Groups:**
 - Junior – 13 & Under
 - Seniors – 14-18
 - Adults – 19+
 - W/T Youth – 10 & Under
 - W/T Youth – 11-18
 - W/T Adult- 19+

Show Information: Upcoming show information is available on the [Bexar 4-H Horse Leaders Facebook page](#). 4-H member competing for end of the year awards & prizes MUST complete an academic eligibility form to remain eligible for competitive awards.

San Antonio H/J Schooling Show Series: Click [HERE](#) for flyer

Opportunity Classes – Hunters - Jumpers

Hosted by: San Antonio Foundation for Equine Education at SA Polo Club

Dates: **March 5th (Final Show of the Season!)**

For more information contact Katie Hall Kathryn.hodges@outlook.com or 210-274-8004

Texas 4-H 2021-2022 Scholarship Information

Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship Updates:

We have **CONFIRMED** dates for the 2022 Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship. Please see below.

February 15 th at 11:59 PM	Scholarship Application DEADLINE
April 29 th – May 1 st	Scholarship Interviews
Mid May	Scholarship Winner Notifications
June 7 th – 9 th	Scholarship Banquets

*****NEW** this year - we will not be utilizing the CEA verification form. We will be sending agents a list of applicants that have submitted by the deadline for you to approve/verify enrollment & eligibility.

*****NEW** this year – applicants invited to interview will do a self-sign up for their interview time. It will be first come first serve. We will let everyone know ahead of time the date and time we will release the list and notifications.

*** **CONTINUING** this year – Universities and Colleges are continuing to have the ACT/SAT optional for the 2022 application year so we will not be requiring it again this year for applicants.

Application INFORMATION & APPLICATION PORTAL: <https://texas4hfoundation.org/types-of-scholarships/>

Texas Corn Producers Scholarship: Due January 31, 2022

Texas Corn Producers Association are offering two \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors and two \$1,000 scholarships for college undergraduates. This year, students can apply to scholarships from both Texas Corn Producers and the National Corn Growers Association with one application. You can find more details on NCGA and Texas Corn scholarships, as well as access the application on the website. [Access website by clicking here.](#)

Bexar ANR Scholarship Announced!

The Bexar County ANR Committee has released the scholarship paperwork and deadline for this year's academic scholarship. Please access the application [HERE!](#)

NEW

Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Announced! Due Friday, May 6, 2022 by 5 PM

The 2022 Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship will be offered to graduating seniors scheduled to graduate in the Spring of 2022, and attend an accredited Texas College/University for the Fall semester of 2022. Please see timeline below.

March 1, 2022	Application Guide & Information Released! (An official 4-H Record Book required)
March 10, 2022	Optional: Scholarship & Interview Virtual Training on Microsoft Teams @ 7PM
March 24, 2022	Optional: Beginner Record Book Training on Microsoft Teams @ 7PM
April 7, 2022	Optional: Advanced Record Book Story Training on Microsoft Teams @ 7PM
April 28, 2022	Optional: Advanced Report Forms Training on Microsoft Teams @ 7PM
May 6, 2022	Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Due by 5PM to our Office
May 20, 2022	Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Applicant Interviews ALL DAY (no alternative date)
End of May	Scholarship Winner Notifications
August 6, 2022	4-H Awards Banquet (Tentative)

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Leadership & Fun Events



NEW

2022 Texas 4-H Salute to Excellence Awards! Nominate a Volunteer TODAY!

Nominations are now open online through [Formsite](#) to recognize volunteers, donors, and AgriLife personnel for their continued commitment to the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program. These can be supporters (individuals, couples, businesses, organizations) who assist at the county, district, regional, or state level. You can see a full detail of criteria and application guidelines in the [2022 Salute to Excellence Awards Volunteer Recognition Packet](#). The 6 recognition categories are:

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

How to Submit: Please use the [ONLINE FORMSITE SUBMISSION PORTAL](#). **NOMINATIONS DUE FRIDAY, MAR. 11, 2022**

Recognition Process (NEW): Honorees will be presented their awards locally through surprise celebration events and signs that award recipients can place in their front yards. Nominators will need to plan to take high quality videos and photos from the surprise award presentation and send them to Laura Huebinger (lhuebinger@ag.tamu.edu) and Callie Cline (callie.cline@ag.tamu.edu) so that they may be used to share through the state-wide recognition efforts.

Roundup Reception: During Texas 4-H Roundup, a casual, come-and-go celebration reception will be held for our award winners who are attending Texas 4-H Roundup, their families, and their County Extension Agents. It will be on **Tuesday, June 7, 2022** in the downtown Bryan area prior to the assembly for that evening’s recognition. Award winners are not required to attend the reception to be honored or to receive their plaque. We hope to encourage more nominations by no longer having a formal luncheon.

NEW APPLICATION! All nominations will include a 1–2-page (750-1500 words) narrative description of why the nominee should be considered for the award. Read the award description before preparing the narrative to ensure it contains all the needed information. Feel free to include any quotes from members or volunteers that were influenced by the nominee.

You will need the following information before completing the nomination form:

- Name of award nominee
- Phonetic spelling of nominee’s name
- Mailing address, phone number, and email address of nominee
- Photo of nominee. (See notes below about photo.)
- County Extension Agent’s email to receive a copy of the nomination
- Nominator’s name, county, mail address, phone number, and email address
- 75–100-word description written in third person to be used a script for award presentation
- 1-2-page (750-1500 words) nomination narrative. It is suggested to use a word processing program to write, edit, and review the award descriptions prior to accessing the online nomination system. After all information has been written and proofed, copy and paste text into the online form.

PRIOR HONOREES A list of prior award winners is attached and can be found [HERE](#). Please review this list to ensure the person you are nominating has not been honored with the award previously. An award can only be presented one-time to an individual and/or supporter.

TIMELINE:

- Online nominations accepted: Today – Friday, March 11, 2022
- Announcement of winners: Mid to late April
- Salute to Excellence Social and Video Premiere: Tuesday, June 7, Time TBA

Souper Bowl of Caring: Help Texas 4-H Tackle Hunger **NEW**



I am excited to once again introduce the Souper Bowl of Caring project to TACKLE HUNGER in Texas communities!! This is a great opportunity to address hunger at the local level with an event that leads up to the NFL Super Bowl! All efforts and donations STAY LOCAL! Please use the QR code on the flyer for the complete “playbook” or go to www.tacklehunger.org for more details. For several years, Texas 4-H has partnered with Tackle Hunger in this movement, let’s make 2022 the best ever!

2022 Texas 4-H Summer Camp Registration is LIVE! **NEW**

We are super excited to share that 2022 Summer Camp registration for camps here at the Texas 4-H Conference are live! [2022 Summer Guide](#): In the Summer Guide, you will find information on what camps we are offering as well as dates and prices.

- **Mission Possible Mentors:** Mission Possible Mentor applications are live and can be applied for [HERE](#). If you have any senior level members in your clubs that you would recommend for Mission Possible, encourage them to apply!
- **Summer Camp Staff Opportunities:** If you have any 4-H members that have aged out of your program and think they would like to work at camp, encourage them to apply on our website. [That link can be found here.](#)

Retro Refashion Retreat 2022:



Feb. 4-6, Campbuckner, Burnette, TX. Refashion Retreat is a three-day/two night retreat where youth will learn about refashioning and eco-fashion. Participants will participate in sessions on the effects of fashion on the environment, how to upcycle, digital storyboards, aspects of design, and modeling. Participants will have the opportunity to create their own upcycled garment during the retreat. Register at [4-H Online](#). Youth Registration is \$140 and adult registration is \$120. There are limited spots so register now!

World Food Prize Texas Youth Institute:

The Texas Youth Institute is a life-changing experience at Texas A&M University where high school students engage with local leaders and experts on critical global challenges, participate in hands-on activities, and explore exciting ways to make a difference in Texas and around the world.

At this event, participating high school students have the opportunity to:

- Present research and recommendations on ways to solve key global challenges in a short speech and small group discussions with statewide experts;
- Connect with other student leaders from across Texas to share ideas, identify solutions to these problems and build lasting friendships;
- Explore the issues, current research and opportunities to make a difference at Texas A&M University; and
- Interact with global leaders, innovators and entrepreneurs in Texas working to end hunger and poverty and improve food security around the world.

Registration, paper, resume submission are due online by: **February 14th, 2022.** [Click here to learn more.](#)

EPA's "Companies Crushing Pollution" Video Challenge

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has launched the "Companies Crushing Pollution" Video Challenge. EPA will award a total of \$50,000 in prize money through the video challenge. The Challenge invites high school and college students and others including people who live near industrial facilities to create videos illustrating how businesses in the U.S. are reducing toxic chemical releases through innovative pollution prevention (P2) practices, and by having a positive impact on the environment and communities. Participants have a chance to win up to \$5,000. All videos must be submitted by **March 1, 2022**. EPA will award a total of \$50,000 in prize money to multiple participants. Here is the recorded webinar that discusses challenge logistics and rules. <https://youtu.be/mVoMxtQha4Y>

Challenge Website: <https://www.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/companies-crushing-pollution-video-challenge> TRI P2

Search Tool Website: <https://www3.epa.gov/enviro/facts/tri/p2.html>

Eligibility

- Students: high school (grades nine -12) or college/university
- Other members of the public (those living close to a TRI facility)
- Must live in the United States or U.S. Territories
- Participants may be an individual or a team



2022 National 4-H Conference:

Click [HERE](#) for flyer about the 2022 National 4-H Conference to be held in Washington D.C., **March 20-24, 2022**. At this time we have only received the dates and that it will be held "hybrid" style. We are waiting to find out more about what "hybrid" means, host venue, costs, etc., before we release the applications for youth to apply to attend. Please note that it is estimated to cost between \$2,000-3,000 per participant.

Healthy Living and Agri-Science Summits (CHANGES):

NEW

The current COVID surge and omicron variant have introduced new complexities as states begin to plan their travel to and participation in the National 4-H Healthy Living Summit, scheduled for February 10-13, 2022. After consulting with Extension leadership and the Healthy Living Summit planning team, **Council has postponed the National 4-H Healthy Living Summit to April 21-24, 2022. The deadline to register has been extended to April 4, 2022.** Any participant currently registered for the Summit who is unable to attend during the new April dates will receive a full refund. [Click here to register now.](#)



4-H CORE Academy Tour:

June 20-24th. 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 East Texas (College Station, Huntsville, Houston). This tour will only be limited to 30 youth to participate. Applications and more information will be distributed in January. **Registration Deadline May 1st**

Western Governors' Leadership Institute

The Western Governors' Foundation has launched the Western Governors' Leadership Institute to recognize, reward and encourage the effective exercise of leadership by young adults across the West, and encourage its future development. The Institute will select one young adult and one alternate from each western state and territory to attend an all-expense-paid leadership forum and the Western Governors' Association Annual Meeting in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, July 24-28, 2022. [Learn more.](#)

Opportunity of a Lifetime: 4-H Youth in Action

NEW

It's that time of year again – time for all 4-H youth ages 15-19 to apply to be a 2023 4-H Youth in Action Award winner! Now is the chance for 4-H'ers across the nation to tell us how they're impacting their communities through service and leadership. Four selected recipients will each earn a \$5,000 scholarship and an opportunity to serve as a national youth spokesperson. Learn more about the application process and set your calendar to apply by March 28, 2022. [Learn more by clicking here.](#)

Build a Foundation for Financial Literacy

Help your kids set a New Year's resolution that will last a lifetime: Financial literacy. In this series of activities brought to you by TD Ameritrade, kids 7-12 will learn the basics of personal finance like setting goals, where and how to save and invest, payment methods and more, setting a foundation for success. [Get started by clicking here.](#)

Master Wellness Volunteer Opportunity (For Youth & Adults!)

One of AgriLife Extension's high-priority issues is helping Texans improve their health. Research shows at least 50% of health status is due to lifestyle factors such as not using tobacco, being physically active, maintaining a normal weight and good nutrition, among many others. Our Master Wellness program is designed to help youth and adults gain insight into better living and then channel their knowledge toward volunteerism. Be a part of this great program by registering for the NEXT Master Wellness class in 2022. See flyer [HERE](#). Questions? Contact Ashley Hernandez: Ashley.Hernandez@ag.tamu.edu

Success...powered by YOU!

The AgriLife Extension Service has lots to offer! If you're 18-24, "SUCCESS...powered by YOU!" (SPY) is designed with you in mind. They offer incentives to help you stay on the path to becoming your best self:

- Want better, stronger, healthier relationships?
- Need to take control of your financial future?
- Hoping to create a safe, happy home for your children?

Take advantage of FREE classes, coaching opportunities, and workshops and become the YOU of your dreams! (Ask about virtual and in-person options.) [To learn more, click here.](#)

Join the Texas 4-H Clover Club Today

Exciting things are happening with the Clover Club and the Clover Club Gala! We will be announcing some exciting details about the Clover Club Gala very soon. Be sure to join the Clover Club today to support Texas 4-H and receive awesome swag! Don't forget the \$250 membership level includes a ticket to the Gala and you don't want to miss it! For more information or to sign up please visit <https://texas4hfoundation.org/about/>.

4-H Project Trainings

4-H Speaker Request Form- **PERSONAL CLUB VIRTUAL TRAININGS OFFERED!**

- **Information:** If you are interested in having a 4-H staff member speak at your event/club meeting, please complete this [form](#) and submit to ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu at least 2 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.

2022 Upcoming Virtual/In-Person Trainings

Changemaker Tech Week See FLYER	1/28/22	VIRTUAL 1PM-2PM	1/28 Topic: Online Behavior Join us for this FREE virtual workshop to learn to create and manage strong passwords, the basics of email communication and responsible behavior online with Harris County 4-H Tech Changemakers. Register by email Zachary.giblin@ag.tamu.edu or click here .
Virtual Scholarship & Interview Training	3/10/22	VIRTUAL @ 7PM Click here to join the meeting	Be sure to login on Thursday, March 7 th to learn about scholarship opportunities that exist for you child in the Texas 4-H program. We will cover in detail the Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. scholarship application process as well as interview skills for youth!
Virtual Record Book for Beginners Training	3/24/22	VIRTUAL @ 7PM Click here to join the meeting	Are you new to 4-H Record Books? Are you planning on starting one this year? Join us for this information session where we look at how to start a 4-H Record Book for beginners. You will be provided with all the information on how to start and complete a stellar record book this year!
Virtual Record Book STORY Training	4/7/2022	VIRTUAL @ 7PM Click here to join the meeting	Do you or your 4-H member struggle with writing an impactful and effective story? Are you looking for new tips on how to improve your 4-H Record Book Story? You won't want to miss this virtual training focusing on the 4-H Story! Learn how to write impactfully and creatively.
Bexar 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship HELP SESSION	4/12/2022	Virtual or In Person via appointment	If you are a graduating senior this year and will be applying for our 2022 Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship, you are encouraged to set up an appointment with Natalie Cervantes, ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu for help and guidance on completing your scholarship. On Tuesday, April 12th, I'm happy to setup up an appoint with youth in the morning, afternoon on evening.
Virtual Record Book Report Forms Training	4/28/2022	VIRTUAL @ 7PM Click here to join the meeting	The 4-H Record Book report forms are a challenging but essential component to a quality 4-H Record Book. Report forms document all of your activities and can be used in the future for college and scholarship applications. Learn how to put your best foot forward and build good habits in maintaining quality report forms.

2022 Spring Youth Gardens Educator Training ([FLYER](#)) **NEW**

Come join us this March for the Spring Youth Gardens Educator Training that will provide adult leaders the tools to support youth gardening in the classroom and community! Plants and other garden materials will be provided at this training, so sign up fast!

When: Saturday, March 12th, 2022

Time: 7:50 am – 1:00 pm

Where: San Antonio Botanical Garden (555 Funston Pl.)

Cost: \$20 per educator.

Questions? Contact Dominick Ortiz at Dominick.Ortiz@ag.tamu.edu

Texas Brigades Information Night **NEW**

Helotes 4-H Wildlife Project invites you to upcoming meeting on Texas Brigades.

When: Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm

Where: Helotes Ag Activity Center

Guest Speaker: Natalie Wolff, Texas Brigades Executive Director

Texas Brigades is for ages 13-17. We ask all ages to attend meeting because this may be something you want to do in the future. If you attended a 2021 Brigade and would like to bring your display of your experience that would be great and space is available. Visit www.TexasBrigades.org For additional information, please text or call Gary (210 241-4748) or Madelyn Schott (210-240-6422).

Texas Brigade Youth Conservation & Leadership Camps ([Flyer HERE](#)) **NEW**

Youth Conservation & Leadership Summer Camps. Application period November 1st – March 15th. Brigade camps are wildlife and natural resource-focused leadership camps that provide an intensive & exciting educational experience. Cadets learn from professionals about the biology, habitat and ecology of each camp's focus subject while strengthening leadership, team-building, and critical-thinking skills. For more information visit www.texasbrigades.org or view attached flyer. **Deadline for sign up is March 15, 2022.**

New Resource: Texas Beekeeping 101 **NEW**

The website and its content is intended to be used by both the educators as well as those seeking to learn. We hope that you will find the site to be fun, easy to navigate, useful and most of all informative as you begin your beekeeping journey or help someone else begin theirs! The website is available free of charge and can be accessed at <http://www.texasbeekeeping101.com/>.



Texas Photography Ambassador Workshop: ([FLYER](#))

4-H members of all ages, including Clover Kids, are invited to participate in a photography workshop held by the Photography Ambassadors. The workshop will take place at Mrs. Lee's Daffodil Garden in Gladewater, Texas, on **February 19, 2022**. The practice will include exploring more than 28 acres of daffodils and other flowers on an 816 acre property that includes two lakes, wooded valleys, and a replica pioneer log cabin! Focus will be on plant portraiture and macro photography. Transportation and accommodations are on your own, and parent or guardian attendance is mandatory. Participants can attend just one day of the workshop, or both. **RSVP by February 10th.** [Click here to RSVP.](#)

Operation College Access: ([Flyer HERE](#)) Learn how to maximize your college years by signing up to Operation College Access! Youth will learn how to develop an educational and career plan, fill out scholarships, create a budget plan, utilize campus resources, and so much more! Register here:

https://pvamu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4OyRgSoGzOGJlnE

4-H Hunting Project Coach Certification Training (Flyer [HERE](#))

The coach certification training is mandatory for adults leading the 4-H Hunting Project and working with youth in live fire activities using archery, shotgun, rifle, and muzzle loading equipment. This training and certification will cover a leader in the Hunting Project and is not a substitute for any 4-H Shooting Sports discipline training/certification. Participants in the training will also be certified as Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Hunter Education Instructors. The training is open to 4-H volunteer leaders, Senior division 4-H members desiring to be assistant leaders, and County Extension Agents. Registration will be open on [4-H Online](#) individually for each training location: - **Feb. 26-27 Shelby County**

The training is hands on and will include live fire of all related shooting equipment and hunting topics in basic hunting skills, firearm and outdoor safety, game biology, hunting equipment and maintenance, how to teach hunting, teaching resources and locating equipment, hunting laws and regulations, outdoor ethics, and wildlife and habitat management and conservation. Registration fees will cover all materials and curriculum and meals provided on Saturday and Sunday. Meals and lodging options will vary for each training location. Register on [4HOnline](#). For more info contact lhysmith@ag.tamu.edu

4-H Sportfishing Project Leader Training (Flyer [HERE](#))

Feb. 19-20, 2022 in Richmond, TX - Register on [4HOnline](#) For details on training visit <https://TEXAS4-H.TAMU>EDU/PROJECTS/SPORTFISHING/> or contact Larry Hysmith at lhysmith@tamu.edu for questions.

Picture Your World Youth Photography Program (Flyer [HERE](#))

2022 Picture Your World Youth Photography Workshops hosted by Green Spaces Alliance. The nature photography workshops are open to youth ages 8-18 and are held monthly on Sundays from 1:00-4:00 pm at natural areas around San Antonio. Students may bring their own digital camera or we will provide one for them. Registration and information is also available on-line at www.greensatx.org/events

District 7 Shooting Sports Coach Certification Training

Who is eligible? This training is open to any eligible potential coaches **statewide**.

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CONTEST PAGE:



District/State Contest Reimbursement Form

- **Information:** The Bexar 4-H Council has money set aside to reimburse for selected District and State events to encourage participation and help ease the financial burden for active 4-H families. The money reimbursed will need to be requested from our office; no longer automatically mailed. See details below:
- **How:** Please fill out and return the [Reimbursement Form](#) to ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu

Save the Date! Bexar County 4-H Youth Project Show on April 9th, 2022

2022 Bexar County 4-H Photography Contest NOW OPEN!

Who: Bexar 4-H members are welcome to submit their 4-H County photos into our annual County photography contest! Awards will be given to the 1st- 5th place winners in each age division and category. Seniors (9th-12th graders) who place 1st in a category will qualify for the *State Photography contest* ([See Rules](#)). **All submission & judging of photos will be conducted ONLINE. Deadline for photos will be Monday, March 14, 2022 at 11:59 PM.** For County rules/guidelines please click [HERE](#).

Deadline for Submission: All photos will need to be submitted by **Monday, March 14, 2022 @ 11:59 PM** via our online Google Form here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdWbqZpZD2OiwDPUG1V1r5_2ie1wK-GF_bJBJZXAUetMBA8jg/viewform?usp=sf_link

Late Entries: Late entry of photos will be accepted by our office with a late fee of **\$10 per photo until March 16, 2022 (End of business 5pm)**. Member will need to bring with them **payment and a jump drive** with all photos being submitted. **We will NOT ACCEPT PHYSICAL PHOTOGRAPHS.**

District 10 Photography Guidelines Released [HERE!](#)

DISTRICT RULES: District 10 4-H will also host a photography contest. Photos must be uploaded on 4HOnline (limit 3). The District contest is NOT the qualifier for State Photography contest. **Deadline for District contest will be: February 21, 2022.**
STATE RULES: Click [HERE](#) for the rules and guidelines for the 2021-2022 Texas 4-H Photography contest. Please share this information with your kids and leaders.

District 10 2022 Meat Judging @ San Angelo – April 13, 2022

The District 10 Meat Judging contest will be held in San Angelo University Meats Lab (7945 Grape Creek Rd., San Angelo TX) on April 13th, 2022. **Regular Registration will OPEN March 21 – and CLOSE April 6, 2022;** Late registration April 7-8 (+\$25 Late Fee) on 4HOnline. Click [HERE](#) for full letter of rules and information.

District 10 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest REMINDERS!

- Feb. 19, 2022 – Consumer Decision Making Contest @ Cattle Barn on SALE Grounds




What To Bring:



- Clipboard
- Several sharpened pencils with good erasers
- Blank paper for taking notes on classes
- Social Security Number to put on SALE registration form!!!! REQUIRED!!!

State Record Book Guidelines (21-22) Family Guide [RELEASED!](#)

- The 2021-2022 Record Book Guide for families is now available [HERE!](#) Check out the guide now to make yourself aware of changes that may impact your 4-H'ers record books this 4-H year.

Other 4-H Invitational Contests:

- **2022 Texas 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project State Contest ([FLYER](#))** 
 - Contest will be held in Calhoun/Matagorda Counties on May 14-15, 2022. Registration is open to all age divisions on 4HOnline. Registration will open on March 14th, and close April 15th, 2022. For complete details go to: [Texas 4-H Wildlife & Fisheries Website](#).
- **2022 Texas 4-H Virtual Reel 'em in Fishing Skill-a-thon ([FLYER & Guidelines](#))** 
 - We are excited to release the 2022 Texas 4-H Virtual Reel 'em in Skill-a-thon Rules of Play! Registration will open via 4HOnline on **February 1st** as will access to FishDonkey. New and exciting changes for 2022:
 - We have partnered with FishDonkey app to use their official tournament judging program to assist in making this skill-a-thon more user friendly and to provide youth a realistic tournament experience (use of Facebook platform will no longer be utilized to post fish pics and for judging).
 - Real-time leaderboards.
 - More sponsors and more to be added in the near future.
 - Addition of a Saltwater division.
 - New educational components to learn about 4-H sportfishing, cooking healthy with fish, and techniques to hook the "big one."
- **Invitational 4-H Dog Show Hosted by Brazos County 4-H K-9 Club (Feb. 19, 2022)** 

4-H members across the state are invited to the Invitational 4-H Dog Show hosted by the Brazos County 4-H K9 Club on Saturday, February 19, 2022. The early deadline for entries is Feb. 7, 2022. The link to the entry form and details about the show are found [HERE!](#)
- **Guadalupe County GEAR Contest:**  Guadalupe County Robotics Club looking to host a GEAR contest this year and is surveying 4-H members to gauge interest! Contest information will then be released by the end of February. Contest dates are scheduled for April. Please take the [\(SURVEY\)](#) if interested in participating!
- **2022 Grayson County Youth AgRobotics Challenge: ([FLYER](#))**  Hosted at the Texoma Exposition and Livestock Show, Loy Lake Show Grounds, Denison, TX February 26, 2022. Register at <https://grayson.agrilife.org/agrobotics> no later than *Wednesday, February 23, 2022*.
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There will be a couple of opportunities to practice with your dog whether you validated or not

- February 5 – Montgomery County 4-H Dog Show
- February 12 – Brazos County 4-H Dog Show
- June 18 – Wise County

For more information click [HERE](#) for Texas 4-H Dog Validation Process or contact Michelle Mihalek at mmmihalek@ag.tamu.edu

- **2022 Texas 4-H Dog Show T-Shirt Design Contest – Due Feb. 15, 2022**

***CLOVER KID DIVISION HAS BEEN ADDED TO THIS CONTEST! 😊**

Texas 4-H members are invited to submit their designs to be selected for the official Texas 4-H Dog Show T-Shirt. Entries will be judged in Age Divisions (Clover Kid/Junior/Intermediate/Senior). One winner from each age division (total of 3 winners) will have their design produced as a T-Shirt. Details on design criteria can be found on this [FLYER](#). Submissions are due via email to Cory.Hundl@ag.tamu.edu by Feb. 15, 2022.

Quick Glance for ALL UPCOMING Shooting Sports Events/Trainings

- **Access all shooting sports events, trainings, & contests here:** [4-H Natural Resources Program Activity and Event Schedule - Google Docs](#)

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2021-2022 County – District – State CONTEST/EVENTS CALENDAR

This is calendar is subject to change. Please make sure you check contest guidelines closely and adjust dates/locations/times as necessary

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Feb. 14, 2022 - District 10 Horse Judging Contest w/ S.A.L.E.

Feb. 19, 2022 - District 10 Consumer Decision Making Contest w/ S.A.L.E.

Feb. 21, 2022 – District 10 Photography Contest via v2.4honline.com – [Letter/Rules POSTED!](#)

Mar. 12, 2022 – County Fashion Show/D2D/Storyboard Contest

Mar. 12, 2022 – County Share-the-Fun Contest

Mar. 14, 2022 – County Photography Contest (Virtual)

Mar. 21, 2022 – District 10 Spring Roundup Registration OPENS on v2.4honline.com

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Mar. 30, 2022 – District 10 Spring Roundup Registration CLOSES on v2.4honline.com

Apr. 1, 2022 – District 10 Spring Roundup Registration LATE ENTRY CLOSES on v2.4honline.com

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Apr. 9, 2022 – County Project Show (Drop off of Entries on April 8th, 2022)

Apr. 13, 2022 – District 10 Meat Judging @ San Angelo – [Letter/Rules POSTED!](#)

Apr. 19-23, 2022 – District 10 Spring Roundup (Several Locations)

- April 19 – Leaders for Life (Seguin, TX)
- April 20 – Livestock Judging (Fredericksburg, TX)
- April 21 – Range Evaluation, Range/Pasture ID, Wool/Mohair Judging, & Share-the-Fun (Fredericksburg, TX)
- April 22 – Soil Judging, Fashion Show, Duds 2 Dazzle, and Fashion Storyboard (Fredericksburg, TX)
- April 23 – Smallbore Rifle Contest (Floresville, TX)

May 6, 2022 – Bexar County S.A.L.E. Scholarship Applications DUE

May 20, 2022 – Bexar County S.A.L.E. Scholarship Interviews- **NO ALTERNATIVE DATES WILL BE AVAILABLE**

June 6-9, 2022 – Texas 4-H State Roundup in College Station, TX [Roundup Website](#)

June 13, 2022 – County Record Books/Awards/Ambassador Applications Due [Record Book Guide POSTED!](#)

June 15-16 2022 - District 10 Horse Show (Dripping Springs, TX)

June 29 – July 1, 2022 - District 10 Leadership Lab ([Camp Kubena](#))

July 8, 2022 – Bexar County Gold Star Interviews- **NO ALTERNATIVE DATES WILL BE AVAILABLE**

July 7-19, 2022 - Texas 4-H State Dog Show

July 16, 2022 – Bexar County Club Officer Training

July 17-23, 2022 - Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games, National Shooting Complex

July 2022 (Dates TBA) Texas 4-H Horse Show (Bryan, TX)

August 6, 2022 – Bexar County 4-H Awards Program & Silent Auction

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