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BEXAR COUNTY NEWSLETTER

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The Bulletin Board

Congratulations to our 2022-2023 District 10 4-H Record Book Winners & Qualifying State Record Books!


NEW

(All Age Division results posted [HERE](#))

District 10 4-H State Qualifiers

Animal Agriculture: Brigette Bettice (Bexar)	Beef: Luke Bauer (Bastrop)	Citizenship & Civic Ed.: Koben Sanchez (Uvalde)	Consumer Ed.: Claire Schaeferkoeter (Comal)	Dog Care & Training: Ellen Carroll (Bastrop)
Entomology: Joshua Scribner (Wilson)	Fashion & ID: Alya Trimble (Bexar)	Food & Nutrition: Luke Scribner (Wilson)	Gardening & Hort.: Ethan Marschall (Gillespie)	Goat: Jace Raab (Gillespie)
Health & Safety: Peyton Wirebaugh (Comal)	Horse: Elizabeth McFarland (Kendall)	Leadership: Brylie Roeder (Gillespie)	Natural Resources: Landry Masur (Bastrop)	Photography: Jake Schultze (Guadalupe)
Plant & Soil Science: James Jenschke (Gillespie)	Poultry: Nicole Lee (Wilson)	Public Speaking: Jayden Ingalls (Bexar)	Rabbit: Krystal Tondre (Bexar)	STEM: Lilliana Lange (Bexar)
Sheep: Alexandria Brummett (Wilson)	Shooting Sports: Kaitlin DeLarm (Wilson)	Swine: Kase Kelso (Guadalupe)	Veterinary Science: Joshlyn Stover (Bexar)	Visual & Perf. Arts: Clare Whitaker (Bastrop)

The Bulletin Board

 **TEXAS A&M**
AGRILIFE
EXTENSION

Clover Kids Discovery Camp

Day 1
August 1st

Food and Nutrition

9:00 AM Camp Start
Let's learn how to be a star in the kitchen! We will learn about food safety, and how to use nutritious food as fuel for our bodies. And use teamwork for a mini food challenge.
2:00 PM Dismissal

Day 2
August 2nd

S.T.E.M & Robotics

9:00 AM Camp Start
Explore the world of S.T.E.M and Robotics. We will turn the gears of creative thinking and hands-on learning during science based activities and a mini Agrobotics challenge.
2:00 PM Dismissal

Day 3
August 3rd

Livestock and Wildlife

8-10AM drop off
We will lasso into our last day of camp learning about agriculture projects and investigating critters we share our environment with.
2:00PM Dismissal

Registration

Cost: \$99 per camper for 3 days of 4-H fun.
Who: Campers ages 5-8.
When: August 1st-3rd.
Where: 3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite #208 San Antonio, Texas 78230. *possible field day August 3rd*

Please contact: Gabrielle Alanis at
gabrielle.alanis@ag.tamu.edu or 210-631-0400

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.



- JULY 21 District 10 Leadership Summit Registration **DEADLINE** – Pg. 16
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- JULY 31 Texas 4-H State Record Book Judging **DEADLINE** – Pg. 16
- JULY 31 Texas 4-H STEM Ambassador Application **DEADLINE** – Pg. 16
- **AUG 15** **4-HOnline Registration Opens (County will approve State Fair competitors)**
- AUG 19 Texas Sheep and Goat Expo Youth Program Pg. 10
- AUG 19 District 10 4-H Mega Meeting Pg. 7
- **SEPT 1** **2023-2024 Texas 4-H Year Begins! (All non-State Fair 4-H Members will be approved)**
(Clover Kids/3rd Grade members MUST wait until Sept. 1st or your membership will be sent back)
- SEP 23 CCS 4-H Clay Shoot Pg. 13

**County deadlines may differ from district deadlines
to allow county extension staff time to review
and complete submissions**



2022-2023 County – District – State CONTEST/EVENTS CALENDAR

**These calendars are subject to change.*

- **JUL 17-22** **Texas 4-H State Games (Archery & Shotgun)**
- **JUL 23-28** **Texas 4-H Horse Show**

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; it will no longer automatically mailed. See details below:
- **How:** Please fill out and return the [Reimbursement Form](#) to kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu

2022 – 2023 DISTRICT 10 4-H CALENDAR

Texas 4-H State Games – Baird/San Antonio, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: May 17, 2023	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: June 16, 2023	
Registration will be conducted on (2) different sites: STEP ONE- Register on 4HOnline. STEP ONE must be completed FIRST. STEP TWO- Register on iclays.com	
July 17-22, 2023 San Antonio, TX	Events: Archery & Shotgun Location: National Shooting Complex
Texas 4-H Horse Show – Bryan, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Sat., July 1, 2023	
EVENT DATE: July 23-28, 2023	Texas 4-H Horse Show website Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules 2023 State Horse Validation
Texas 4-H State Record Book Judging (Virtual)	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Mon., July 31, 2023	
Registration will be conducted on (2) different sites: STEP ONE- Register on 4HOnline. STEP TWO- Register on Submittable by July 31 st deadline.	
District 10 4-H Leadership Summit	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Saturday, July 1, 2023	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Fri., July 21, 2023	
EVENT DATE: Saturday, July 29, 2023 at Schreiner University	
District 10 4-H Mega Meeting	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Tue., August 1, 2023	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Fri., August 11, 2023	
FINAL LATE DEADLINE: Tue. August 15, 2023	
Registration for this event will be conducted on AgriLife Register due to annual maintenance and rollover of 4HOnline during this time period.	
EVENT DATE: Saturday, August 19, 2023	



District 10 4-H Mega Meeting – *SAVE THE DATE!* August 19, 2023 [\(INFORMATION\)](#)

Early Registration Deadline: August 11, 2023 on [AgriLife Register](#)

Late Registration Deadline: August 15, 2023 (+\$10 Late Fee) on [AgriLife Register](#)

District 10 4-H Mega Meeting is an event that showcases a variety of activities including Adult/Youth Workshops. This District event gives youth and adults the opportunity to expand their 4-H knowledge and meet 4-H members in District 10. It provides for district level leadership that they can take back to their county and teach to local 4-Hers. District 10 4-H members and adult volunteers are encouraged to join us for the 2023 District 10 4-H Mega Meeting held Saturday, August 19th, 2023. This year's Mega Meeting will feature project based hands-on workshops for youth & adults! Additionally, County Delegates are encouraged to attend and take part in our first District 10 4-H Council meeting for the year.

Cost:

Early Bird Fees:

\$40.00 per YOUTH registrant (Lunch & T-Shirt Provided)

\$20.00 per ADULT registrant (Lunch & T-Shirt Provided)

LOCAL 4-H EVENTS / TRAINING

4-H Training Request Form- PERSONAL CLUB TRAININGS AVAILABLE

- **Information:** If you are interested in having a 4-H staff member speak at your event/club meeting, please complete this [form](#) and submit it to kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu at least 3 weeks prior to the requested date. Please allow 3-5 business days for confirmation. Please contact us at 210-631-0400 with questions.

2022-2023 Upcoming Virtual/In-Person Trainings and Events

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*If your club has news or events they would like to see in our newsletter please email to kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu

Send Us Your Pictures

We would love to use pictures from your contests and events for flyers, brochures, and to recognize the kids' hard work in our newsletter. Email pictures to kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu





Livestock News & Events

If you have questions or need help with your projects feel free to contact Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu, office # 210-631-0400 or cell # 361-649-5836

2022-2023 Livestock Project Meetings			

***** PLEASE RSVP to sam.womble@ag.tamu.edu for all Project Training Events *****

State Fair Entry – DEADLINE August 11th @ 11:59pm ([Exhibitor Handbook](#))

(\$100 Late Fees for all entries beginning at 12:00am on August 12th)

Youth Livestock and All Contest entries are encouraged to be made online by parents/guardians through the online parent portal. The exhibitor and parent/guardian will be required to electronically sign the Release and Liability Signature form. A W9 including the youth exhibitor’s social security number and signature is required at the time of entry. Parent portal access will end at 11:59pm on August 22nd. However, the [Bexar County deadline will be on August 11th at 11:59pm and supersede the portal closure to allow the county extension office time to process and approve all entries.](#) Any entries made after 12:00am on August 12th will be subject to a \$100 late fee that must be paid to the county extension office prior to entry approval.

2023 Validation Dates:

Sheep and Goat Validation –

October 12th 3:00-6:00 pm James Madison

October 19th 3:00-6:00 pm ASTA

Fall Heifer Validation –

October 28th 9:00-11:00 am East Central

Swine Validation –

November 8th 4:30-6:00 pm Southwest

November 11th 2:00-5:00 pm ASTA

November 14th 4:00-6:00 pm Judson

November 20th 5:00-7:00 pm James Madison

November 21st 2:00-5:00 pm East Central

Please Note: If you have an extenuating circumstance that conflicts with the scheduled validation date(s), you are expected to contact your supervisor (Ag Teacher or County Extension Agent) in advance. Each request will be considered based on validity. Understand the local validation committee is not required to accommodate your request for an alternate validation date/time. Should a request be granted, you will be responsible for working around the local committee’s schedule.

NEW

Important Quality Counts Update

Quality Counts will be undergoing platform maintenance in July. **Learners are encouraged to wait until the update is released to enroll to avoid disruption. If you are currently enrolled, or will be enrolling in June or early July, you MUST complete the course AND exam by July 16.** Learners who do not complete the quiz by this time will be required to re-enroll and retake the course in order to receive their Quality Counts number. A more detailed timeline will be made available soon. **To put it simply – if an exhibitor is currently in the process of taking or plans to take the course soon, they must finish enrolling and COMPLETE the course/exam by July 16. If an exhibitor needs to enroll in or move to the next grade level division, please wait until after July to do so to avoid disruption or loss of progress.**

NEW

Lamb/Goat Validation Tag Order – DEADLINE August 11th

Validation Tag orders for Market Lamb, Market Goat, Registered Sheep, Registered Goat, Wether Dam, Wether Doe. More information and the order form will come out later this week.

Upcoming Livestock Programs, Clinics & Shows

2023 Sheep Capital Lamb Camp – DEADLINE June 30th (FLYER) (APPLICATION)

The San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office in Tom Green County are proud to present the 2023 Sheep Capital Lamb Camp to be held in San Angelo, Texas July 28 – July 30, 2023. 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 28, 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.

Sheep and Goat Youth Expo Youth Program (FLYER)

The Texas Sheep and Goat Expo provides producers and others interested in the sheep and goat industry, an opportunity to attend educational presentations from expert speakers in a very diverse industry. This event, which draws producers from across Texas to as far away as Australia, is the largest event of its type in Texas and one of the largest sheep and goat industry educational programs in the world. The event covers a range of industry topics, including addressing the concerns and challenges facing today's producers in light of recent events, as well as the exciting changes happening in the industry involving technological advances and new services. The event also features a field day, youth program, and skill-a-thon. Save the date for August 19th in San Angelo for the youth program and skill-a-thon. [Click here to learn more about the program](#) or [click here to follow the event on Facebook](#).

TSCRA Cattle Raisers Roundup – DEADLINE May 15th (FLYER) (APPLICATION)

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Cattle Raisers Roundup is a week-long high school summer camp for those interested in learning more about the beef industry. Travel across the state to see how beef moves from pasture to plate. This immersive program will give youth a front-row seat at ranches, feed yards, research institutions, veterinary clinics, processing facilities, and more. Opportunities include networking with industry leaders, visiting state-of-the-art facilities, and gaining all-around industry experience. Youth should apply by May 15th.



[Upcoming Bexar County 4-H Open Horse Show Schedule \(2022-2023\)](#)

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! 2023 Texas 4-H Horse Show Schedule, [Click here to view all information about the state horse show.](#)

[Texas 4-H Horse Show Rule Changes \(UPDATED RULES\)](#)

The State 4-H Horse Show Committee has voted on several rule changes for the 2023 year.

The major changes include:

1. **Ranch Cutting will be added as a class in the stock horse division.** This class will not count towards high point in the division. Exhibitors can show in both cutting and ranch cutting. (pg. 87)
2. **District qualification will be removed; however, for safety reasons, futurity exhibitors must participate in a district horse show, district educational clinic, or other equivalent event where futurity project is present.** Participation will be verified by the county extension agent on the State 4-H Horse Show entry form. (pg. 9). This change allows more flexibility for district programs to offer targeted experiences that are tailored to local needs; and allows more flexibility for 4-H families.
3. **State 4-H Horse Show entries will be open earlier beginning May 1 and will remain open until July 1.**
4. **Ownership requirement amendment: lease horses will be allowed.** Official Texas 4-H Horse Lease agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and county extension agent. Lease period must include, at minimum, May 1st to August 31st of the current 4-H Year. The lease form must be uploaded to 4HOnline at validation. (pg. 7)
This is a significant change for horse project eligibility in Texas which the committee expects will result in an increase in participation at the State 4-H Horse Show. However, the anticipated increase in participation at the state show was not the primary goal when considering this change. In fact, the State 4-H Horse Show has seen a 10.7% increase in participation over the past 4 years. The objective in allowing lease horses is to make the show more inclusive for young horse enthusiasts who may not have the opportunity for horse ownership yet.
*Official lease agreement is under review and will be made available on the State 4-H Horse Show webpage when finalized. Anticipated availability by Friday 2/3.

[2023 Texas 4-H Horse Show – DEADLINE July 1st \(INFORMATION\) \(SCHEDULE\)](#)

The 60th Annual Texas State 4-H Horse Show will be taking place at the Brazos County Expo in Bryan, TX. Over 350 4-H youth plus their families attend the show from all over the state of Texas. 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. Registration will be open May 1 – July 1, 2023.



4-H Shooting Sports

Learn by Doing

Access all shooting sports events, trainings, & contests here:

[4-H Natural Resources Program Activity and Event Schedule - Google Docs](#)

NEW

CCS 4-H Clay Shoot (REGISTRATION) (FLYER)

Cornerstone Christian Schools 4-H will be hosting a clay shoot Saturday, September 23rd, 2023 at the National Shooting Complex, 5931 Roft Road, San Antonio, TX. It is a Whizbang Qualifier, sporting clay and second whizbang that will go toward HOA prizes. Please see above for registration.



NEW

Texas 4-H State Games – DEADLINE June 16th (HANDBOOK) (REGISTRATION)

Registration is NOW OPEN for Texas 4-H State Games. This is a two-part registration process, but 4-H'ers should register on 4-H Online first! The event to look for is: "2023 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Game ALL Disciplines STEP 1." After registration on 4-H Online, you should then have access to lclays to put your schedule together. Deadline for registration is June 16, 2023.

[Click here for more information about State Games.](#) [Click here for waiver.](#)

Family & Community Health Events

NEW

Managing Stress with Mindfulness (FLYER)

Did you know AgriLife Extension offers worksite wellness classes such as Stress Less with Mindfulness? If you are interested in hosting a worksite wellness class such as this one at your organization, contact Health & Wellness Educator Samantha Villanueva at 210-631-0400 or by email at Samantha.Villanueva@ag.tamu.edu

NEW

Egg to Chick Program (FLYER)

The Egg to Chick Program is open to reserve for the summer! If interested, contact our Urban Agriculture Educator, Dorothy Herbst at 210-631-0400 or dorothy.herbst@ag.tamu.edu

NEW

Dinner Tonight! (REGISTRATION)

Join us for a "Farewell to Summer" event! Registration is now open for AgriLife's Dinner Tonight Healthy Cooking School. Come hear a Dietician speak on healthy tips for mind and body, learn about container gardening, prepare, and taste a food sample along with a fun movement activity. Also, receive a free goodie bag and a vegetable plant! If you need assistance registering, please contact us at (210) 631

The flyer features a top header with the "DINNER TONIGHT" logo (a fork, knife, and spoon) and the "TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION" logo. The main text reads: "Join Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service for 'DINNER TONIGHT HEALTHY COOKING SCHOOL'". It includes details: "Looking for healthy, family-friendly meals? Come see a live food demonstration of healthy recipes and participate in a taste test." A yellow circular badge says "FREE EVENT". Event details: "When: Thursday, August 31st, 2023", "Time: 10:00AM - 12:30PM", "Location: The Family Service Neighborhood Place", "Address: 3014 Rivas St. San Antonio, TX 78228". A yellow circular badge says "RECEIVE A GOODIE BAG & MEET EXHIBITORS!". A QR code is provided. Sponsors include "superior healthplan." and "Family Service NEIGHBORHOOD PLACE". Contact info: "For more information, contact Angie Gutierrez at aogutierrez@ag.tamu.edu or call (210) 631-0400". An illustration of a basket of fresh vegetables is at the bottom right.



4-H Events & Training



National 4-H Volunteer Conference (FLYER)

Mark your calendars for September 28th - October 1st for the National 4-H Volunteer Conference! Come visit the world's largest 4-H center, enjoy great sessions, meet new people, have fun, and bring home some great ideas to implement with your 4-H clubs and project groups. There is also a virtual option if you can't physically make it there. Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Eatonton, Georgia. <http://www.4hvcoss.com/>. Registration opens June 1.

2023 National 4-H Congress – DEADLINE June 13th (INFORMATION)

National 4-H Congress will be held Friday, November 24th through Tuesday, November 28th at the Hyatt Regency in Atlanta, Georgia. National 4-H Congress is the flagship event of the National 4-H program. Each year a National Design Team of Extension educators, 4-H youth, and 4-H adult volunteers analyze current youth issues and determine the most effective ways to address them. The program combines sessions, seminars, discussion groups, and a service-learning experience. The nation's most outstanding community leaders, speakers, and educators present the most current and timely information available. Applications will open on **May 24th** and must be submitted online and certified through 4HOnline by **Tuesday, June 13, 2023**.



Texas 4-H State Record Book Judging – DEADLINE July 31st

***NOTE: This is only for Senior Age Division Youth who place 1st in their Category at District**

- **Entry Process:** Entry Process this year will be a Two-Step Process. You will need first register on 4HOnline by July 31, 2023. Next, you need to upload your Record Book into Submittable by that same deadline.
- **Book Handling:**
****All record books MUST be uploaded as a PDF in Submittable by July 31, 2023 at 11:59 pm.** Judging is scheduled in August. Judges will use the score sheet in Submittable to judge. Scoresheets will be sent to the 4-H member through Submittable after judging concludes and the State Office has time to review. Awards will be given to the Top 3 in each category and mailed to the County Office following the competition.
- **Entry and Cost Information:** Each individual 4-H member will use 4HOnline to enter their record book into state competition by selecting the event: **2023 STATE 4-H Record Book Judging (Senior District Winners)**. Registration cost is \$15.00. The entries will require county and district certification in 4HOnline. If a book does not get entered online correctly by Monday, July 31st at 11:59 pm it will be disqualified. No entries will be accepted after this deadline.
- **Results:** Results will be posted on the Texas 4-H Record Book website by September 1, 2023.
- **State Record Book Winner Trip:** State Record Book Winner Trip: Those placing 1st in the State record book contest earn the opportunity to attend the Texas 4-H Leadership Conference. The Texas 4-H Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C. during Thanksgiving break (November 23-November 28, 2023). The cost of the trip to the 4-H member is typically between \$1,500-2,000. The deadline to accept the trip opportunity will be September 15, 2023. Registration details will follow.

NEW

2023 District 10 4-H Leadership Summit – DEADLINE July 17th (INFORMATION)

Looking for a fun leadership and college exploration event for your Junior, Intermediate or Senior 4-H member? Join us on Saturday July 29, 2023 for our 2nd Annual District 10 4-H Leadership Summit at **Schreiner University (2100 Memorial Blvd, Kerrville, TX 78028) starting at 9:00 AM**. A box lunch will be provided! Registration is **FREE** and limited to the first 50 youth/adult registrations on 4HOnline. Deadline to register will be **Friday, July 21, 2023 at 11:59 p.m.**

Texas A&M Forest Service Contest – DEADLINE September 15th (FLYER) (RULES)

Texas A&M Forest Service is hosting a Smokey Bear Poster Contest for youth in Texas to celebrate Smokey's 80th birthday. They plan to use the winning designs in the 2024 calendar.

2023-2024 Texas 4-H STEM Ambassadors – DEADLINE July 31st (APPLICATION)

Applications for the 2023-2024 Texas 4-H STEM Ambassadors will open on July 1 and close July 31, 2023. A promotional video overview of the team can be viewed here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J_Qpolx2HI4. As STEM Ambassadors, our mission is to educate communities about science, technology, engineering, and math opportunities; both inside and outside of 4-H, while learning essential skills in STEM, communication, and teamwork. Applicants will need to create a simple profile on Submittable to complete the application. The application requires (among other details) several written narratives, a 2–3-minute personal video narrative, as well as two letters of recommendations. Candidates are encouraged to begin work on the latter two as soon as possible.

EPA - National Environmental Youth Advisory Council – DEADLINE August 22nd

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the formal establishment of the agency's first-ever National Environmental Youth Advisory Council (NEYAC). The NEYAC will provide independent advice and recommendations to Administrator Michael S. Regan on how to increase EPA's efforts to address a range of environmental issues as they relate to youth communities. The NEYAC will provide a critical perspective on how the impacts of climate change and other environmental harms affect youth communities. EPA is soliciting applications for youth to fill 16 vacancies on the NEYAC. Selected applicants will contribute to a balance of perspectives, backgrounds, and experience of the council and will be appointed by the Administrator. As a first-of-its-kind committee, all members of NEYAC will be between the ages of 16 and 29. Applications to the NEYAC are due by August 22, 2023 at 11:59PM. Visit the [EPA NEYAC webpage](#) for more information on the council and to apply.

Save The Date: 2024 Ignite by 4-H

Spark your imagination and passion! [Ignite by 4-H](#), an inclusive teen event, returns March 13-17, 2024, to Washington, D.C. Join us for four days of inspiring and engaging panels, respected speakers, hands-on workshops, experiences, networking and connections. The summit will provide high-school-aged youth from across the country the opportunity to explore the best 4-H has to offer in STEM, Agriscience, Healthy Living, Career Readiness and Emotional Well-Being. Don't miss this opportunity to discover exciting career paths and create an actionable plan to ignite change in your community. Stay tuned for more information on registration. [Click here to watch a video and get excited.](#)

2023 Clover Cash Grant Program – DEADLINE August 14th (APPLICATION)

Applications opened June 19th and will close at 11:59 p.m. on August 14. \$20,000 in grant funding is awarded to county, district, and state level 4-H programs. Eligible applicants include AgriLife Extension Agents, District 4-H Specialists, Texas 4-H staff or adult leaders of any county, district, or state level 4-H program. Program information, eligibility requirements and further details can be found [here](#). Applications may be submitted [here](#). You can also find additional information via the attached flyer.

South Texas Camps

Registration is still open for the Texas 4-H South Texas Camp at Morgan's Wonderland in San Antonio. South Texas Camp offers a co-educational, traditional camping program in an inclusive environment for every kind of camper. For \$550, youth can attend a unique camp July 24-28.

[Click here to learn more or register now.](#)



4-H Day in Aggieland 2023

Save the date for 4-H Day in Aggieland! Tickets are on sale now to the football game on Saturday, November 18. Additional information about the day's events will be released soon. [Click here to order tickets.](#)

NEW

Leadership Positions for 2024 National 4-H Conference – DEADLINE August 30th

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) is now accepting submissions from youth and adults to serve in leadership positions at [2024 National 4-H Conference](#). National 4-H Conference offers opportunities for youth to learn, practice and apply civic engagement skills through roundtable discussions, federal agency briefings and more. Those interested in the following positions should review the [National 4-H Conference leadership position descriptions](#), complete the [National 4-H Conference Leadership Interest Form](#) and email the completed form along with resume to National4-HConference@usda.gov, using the subject line "National 4-H Conference Leadership Interest," and in the Cc line include the State 4-H Program Leader/contact for the Land-grant University they are/plan to be affiliated with. National 4-H Conference Leadership Interest Forms are due August 30, 2023.

NEW

Grant Opportunity – Simmons First Foundation – DEADLINE July 31st

MINI GRANTS

Timeline: January 1 – July 31 (current calendar year funding)

Amount: \$1,000 each

Criteria: Projects must pertain to youth (K-12) in the fields of education and/or health care. Mini Grants are for immediate needs for programs and entities must be a 501c3 organization. The goal of the Foundation is to fund 25 Mini Grants per year across our footprint. Entities that received a Mini Grant in 2022 are not eligible to receive another one until 2024. [DOWNLOAD APPLICATION](#)

MAKE A DIFFERENCE GRANTS ("MAD")

Timeline: April 1 – July 31 (for 2024 funding cycle)

Amount: \$1,000 up to \$25,000

Criteria: Projects must pertain to youth (K-12) in the fields of education and/or health care. Please be very specific and provide the needed support to justify the amount of the request. [DOWNLOAD APPLICATION](#). With the MAD Grants, they must meet our criteria listed below:

Some general qualifications:

- The entity must be in the county or contiguous county of a Simmons Bank facility.
- The program or initiative must impact a number of youth.
- The grant cannot be for administrative expenses, nor can it be used to replace existing sources of funding.
- The agency or entity must show that it has the capacity to support the initiative or new/existing program for at least two years after our funds are used in year one.

Not Eligible use of Grant Funds:

- Buy tables at events
- Fund sponsorships or general donations
- Purchase vehicles
- Fund building construction projects
- Fund administrative costs which include, but are not limited to: salaries, benefits, supplies, and utilities.
- Fund operating expenses include but are not limited to: rent, accounting, office equipment, repairs & maintenance.
- Fund capital campaigns.
- Make exceptions; the criteria is the same for everyone



Texas Farm Bureau – Clover Cash Grant Program - Deadline August 14, 2023

The 2023 Clover Cash Grant program is underway. Applications will close at 11:59 p.m. on **August 14**. As you know, \$20,000 in grant funding is awarded to county, district, and state level 4-H programs. Eligible applicants include AgriLife Extension Agents, District 4-H Specialists, Texas 4-H staff or *adult leaders (*Must provide a letter of support from their County Extension Agent recognizing them as a valid Texas 4-H club) of any county, district, or state level 4-H program. Program information, eligibility requirements and further details can be found [HERE](#). **How to Apply:** Applications may be submitted [HERE](#).



Guadalupe County Fair Invitational Contests

Guadalupe County would like to invite all 4-H members to join us at the Guadalupe County Fair on Oct. 14-15th for three invitational contests! Click links below for more contest fees, details, and registration information.

- [Guadalupe County 4-H Consumer Decision Making](#) When: October 14 @ 8am
Registration Deadline: Sept. 29, 2023 – 5PM
- [Guadalupe County Fair Desserts on Display](#)
When: October 14 @ 2pm
Registration Deadline: Sept. 29, 2023 – 5PM
- [Guadalupe County Fair Food Challenge Contest](#) When: October 15 @ 1pm
Registration Deadline: Sept. 29, 2023 – 5PM

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ALLIANCE PARTNERS

Texas 4-H Alliance members have special programs set up for Texas 4-H members, their families and supporters the program. These business organizations offer discounts for services or merchandise, and in return a portion of the proceeds are donated to the Texas 4-H Foundation and/or the local county 4-H programs where the businesses are located.

Thank you to these Texas 4-H Alliance Members!

