# BEXAR COUNTY

# 4-H NEWSLETTER

### May 8, 2024

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### **BULLETIN BOARD**

The bulletin board section will highlight critical events, deadlines, and information for quick viewing.

#### Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship (SCHOLARSHIP) – DEADLINE May 10th

The Bexar County 4-H program is incredibly fortunate to receive funds from the San Antonio Livestock Exposition. We are dedicated to giving all our youth the opportunity to earn scholarship money for their college education. All applications must be submitted to the Bexar County Extension office and meet all criteria for consideration. We will send out information about signing up for interview times; interviews are scheduled to begin at 9am on May 24<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact me via email at kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu or by phone at (210) 446-9077.

#### Bexar County Record Book Contest – Deadline MAY 30<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm (FORMS and INFORMATION) (SUBMISSION LINK)

As the 2023-2024 4-H year winds to a close it is that time of year again for Record Books! The Bexar County Record Book Contest will be a digital submission of your record book as a pdf document through the Google Form. If you have difficulty submitting a scanned record book you are welcome to bring a hard copy to the Bexar County AgriLife Extension Service Office for us to scan. If you bring a hard copy book you must do so by Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm to make sure we have time to scan all books and upload them for our judges.

File format name requirement: Age Division\_Category\_Member Name (Example): Senior\_Animal Agriculture\_Kevin Knapick

#### Bexar County Record Book Judge Sign-Up – DEADLINE MAY 29th

#### (Sign-up Link)

We are not able to complete the Bexar County Record Book Contest without amazing volunteer judges! Never judged before... THAT'S OK! **Kevin will be providing judge trainings virtually on Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm and Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm**. If you have questions, please reach out to Kevin at <u>kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu</u> or (210) 446-9077. The more judges we get the fewer books everyone has to judge!

#### Bexar County Council Applications (APPLICATION) – DEADLINE May 10th

Attached are the officer requirements and application for the 2024-2025 Bexar County Council. Nearly 75% of our current council is graduating, so we will need new leaders to step up and take the reigns of Bexar County 4-H.

**Elections: Thursday, May 16th, at 7pm** (Bexar County AgriLife Extension Service Office Suite 208). **ALL CLUBS SHOULD ENSURE THAT AT LEAST 1, PREFERABLY 2, OF THEIR MEMBERS ARE PRESENT TO VOTE ON THEIR BEHALF.** We also need a quorum to conduct critical council business; without a quorum, we cannot host elections or other items on the agenda.

#### Bexar County 4-H Awards (AWARDS HANDBOOK) – DEADLINE June 12th

Attached is the awards handbook for 2023-2024. This handbook includes information about all Bexar County 4-H awards. Please pay special attention to the fact that some awards are submitted by individual members and some by club managers. All award applications are due in person to the Bexar County AgriLife Extension Service office. **Gold Star Interviews: Monday, July 8th, beginning at 10am.** 

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

The Upcoming Events section will provide a complete look at the known upcoming events and deadlines.

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#### 4-H Reimbursement Form – Reimbursement Submission DEADLINE August 1, 2024

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 be automatically mailed. See details below: How: Please fill out and return the <u>Reimbursement Form</u> to <u>kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu.</u>

### CONTEST PAGE

The contest page will provide a look at all major contests at the county, district, and state levels.

#### 2023 – 2024 County – District – State CONTEST/EVENTS CALENDAR

#### **DISTRICT DATES** 2024 Texas 4-H Congress Event Date: July 14-17, 2024 All 4-H members (going into 9<sup>th</sup> grade – through those who just graduated 12<sup>th</sup> at the time of the event) must contact their County Office if they wish to be nominated attend Texas 4-H Congress. **SPOTS STILL AVAILABLE! Contact your County** Office to find out how to sign up! **CONGRESS REGISTRATION OPENS:** April 1, 2024 EXTENDED DEADLINE: May 15, 2024 (\$425) LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 30, 2024 (\$500) BILL SUBMISSION CLOSES (4HOnline): May 30, 2024 Information **Texas 4-H Congress Letter District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX REGISTRATION OPENS:** Wednesday, May 1, 2024 **REGISTRATION DEADLINE** Tues. May 14, 2024 LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 15-17, 2024 **EVENT DATE: June 13, 2024** District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX **REGISTRATION OPENS:** Wednesday, May 1, 2024 EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 28, 2024 LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 29-31, 2024 EVENT DATE: June 26-28, 2024 **District 10 Council Officer Applications REGISTRATION PERIOD:** May 1 - 31, 2024 **NO LATE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED \*\*Elections held during Leadership Lab\*\* District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg REGISTRATION OPENS:** Saturday, June 1, 2024 **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Tues., June 25, 2024 LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.-Fri. June 26-28, 2024 **EVENT DATE: July 11, 2024** (\*District 10 4-H Planning Meetings for Agents/Staff will be held July 10, 2024)

#### STATE DATES

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Texas 4-H Roundup - Buckle Blitz					
Texas 4-H Dog Show – Huntsville, TX					
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE</b> Wed. May 15, 2024					
LATE REGISTRATION: May 16-22, 2024 (+\$50)					
EXTENDED LATE DEADLINE: May 23-28 <sup>th</sup> (+\$250)					
EVENT DATE: 2024 Rules & Guidelines					
July 11-13, 2024 Judge Recruitment Packet					
2024 <u>2024 Judge Recontinent Packet</u>					
Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge – Richmond, TX					
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE</b> Wed. May 15, 2024					
Registration is limited to the first					
130 contestants due to space					
limitation. Teams must be					
<b>EVENT DATE:</b> complete both member's					
June 15-16, registrations before hitting the					
2024 cap of 130. Please coordinate					
team member registrations at					
the same time.					
2024 Rules & Guidelines					

# 4-H EVENTS AND TRAININGS

The Local Events section will provide upcoming county meetings and training opportunities.

#### 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 <u>form</u> and submit it to <u>kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu</u> 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.

2023-2024 Upcoming Virtual/In-Person Trainings					
Bexar County 4-H Club Manager Training	5/23/2024 7:00pm	Bexar County Extension Office	**REQUIRED FOR CLUB CHARTERING** 4-H Club Chartering is once again upon us as we wrap up the 2023-2024 4-H year and look towards 2024-2025. This year we will again be making club manager training mandatory to recap club requirements and review some critical information. Clubs should send either their primary manager or assistant club manager to attend. RSVP LINK		
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#### 2023-2024 Bexar County 4-H Council Dates May 16<sup>th</sup> (Elections)

### SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarship page will provide a look at all upcoming scholarship opportunities for 4-H members.

#### Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship (SCHOLARSHIP) – DEADLINE May 10th

The Bexar County 4-H program is incredibly fortunate to receive funds from the San Antonio Livestock Exposition. We are dedicated to giving all our youth the opportunity to earn scholarship money for their college education. The Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. scholarships are awarded yearly to applicants based on their 4-H career (Current year's Record Book), academic performance, and an interview. The Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship Program is conducted in coordination with the Bexar County 4-H Youth Development Program, the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. All applications must be submitted to the Bexar County Extension office and meet all criteria for consideration. Once the deadline passes, we will send out information about signing up for interview times; interviews are scheduled to begin at 9am on May 24<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact me via email at kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu or by phone at (210) 446-9077.

### AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK

The ag and livestock page will be your one stop shop for all critical livestock information.

**Project Visits** – If you have any questions or need help with your livestock project, feel free to contact me. You're welcome to call, email, text, or swing by the Extension Office. I would like to see your project throughout the feeding period and would prefer to stop by when you and your parents(s) are available. Please reach out to schedule an appointment.

**Project Meetings/Resources** – If you have an idea for a livestock project meeting or you're an adult looking for resources to share with members, feel free to contact Sam womble. Sam is happy to help! Contact Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu or call the office # 210-631-0400 or cell # 361-649-5836.

#### 2023 – 2024 Livestock Project Meetings

#### Important Quality Counts Update (FAQ) (QC Enrollment Instructions)

A reminder, all exhibitors are required to provide a verified QC number at the time of major livestock show entry. This new process/exam is NOT required for everyone. Only those users who are new or are moving to the next grade level course (junior: 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade, intermediate: 6-8<sup>th</sup>, senior: 9-12<sup>th</sup>) are required to take Quality Counts this year.

#### NEW

#### 2024 Validations Dates (Bexar County 4-H members):

#### Steers and Heifers

#### State Fair Lamb, Goat and Swine

June 11<sup>th</sup> 10:00 – 12:00pm James Madison (LAMB/GOAT)

June 11<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 11:00 am <u>James Madison</u> June 12<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 11:00 am <u>ASTA</u> June 18<sup>th</sup> 4:00 – 6:30pm East Central

#### Fall Heifer

#### **Swine Validation**

October 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 11:00am East Central

Sheep and Goat

October 10<sup>th</sup> 3:00 – 6:00pm <u>ASTA</u> October 23<sup>rd</sup> 3:00 – 6:00pm <u>James Madison</u> November 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 11:00am <u>ASTA</u> November 26<sup>th</sup> 2:00 – 5:00pm <u>East Central</u>

June 18<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 11:00am East Central (SWINE)

# AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK

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#### Texas Farm Bureau Engage Series (INFORMATION)

Calling all future leaders! If you are entering 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade in August 2024, check out this opportunity to dive into the world of agriculture and community engagement. Join us to explore the Texas Farm Bureau, connect with industry leaders, delve into the free enterprise system, master social media presence, and experience firsthand Texas agricultural operations.

#### Kerr 4-H Judging Contests (FLYER)

Kerr County 4-H Invitational Judging contests will take place on May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Hill County Youth Event Center. This year, they will offer: Grass ID, Range Judging, Livestock Skillathon & Wool & Mohair Judging. More details HERE. Please contact Jennifer.Smith@ag.tamu.edu with questions.

#### CFC Ag Start Loan Program (FLYER)

The Capital Farm Credit Ag Start Loan Program provides youth in agriculture the tools and resources they need to prepare for a successful career in the agricultural industry. This loan program is available to 4-H and FFA members involved in junior market, breeding and commercial livestock projects.

### **BCJLS UPDATES**

The BCJLS page will provide a look at all major updates from the Bexar County Junior Livestock Show.

#### 2024 BCJLS Show Dates

The BCJLS Board of Directors finalized the 62nd Show dates: December 27 - 30, 2024. More details will follow.



### HORSE UPDATES

The horse page will provide a look at all horse events at the county, district, and state levels.

#### 2024 Texas 4-H Horse Show (SCHEDULE)

The 2024 Texas 4-H Horse Show schedule is now available, as well as other important information about the show. The event will be held July 21-27 in Bryan/College Station. Click here to learn more.

#### Texas 4-H Roping School (FLYER) (INFORMATION)

On June 16- 20, 2024, the Statewide Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School will be held in Stephenville, Texas. The school will be held at Park Your Pony Arena (address and contact information are provided below). This event has been developed to encourage young people in 4H to develop leadership skills and to exercise their abilities in working with younger members in roping activities in 4H. Participation is open to all districts of the state, with applications being accepted on a first come, first-serve basis with priority to those who are 12 years of age and older. The maximum number which can be accommodated is 50. All participants MUST be a current member of 4H to participate.

#### 2024 District 10 4-H Horse Show (GUIDE COMING SOON) - DEADLINE May 14th

The District Horse Show is open to any 4-H member who has validated their horse during the horse validation period of the current 4-H Year. You can compete in events like western pleasure, hunter under saddle, and barrel racing, to name a few. The District 10 4-H Horse Show will be held June 13, 2024 at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center (1042 Event Center Drive, Dipping Springs, TX 78620)

#### NEW

#### Open Horse Show in Taylor County (FLYER)

Taylor County will be hosting an open horse show at the Taylor Expo Center First Financial Pavilion (1700 State Highway 36, Abilene, TX 79602) on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

# FAMILY & COMMUNITY HEALTH

The FCH page will provide a look at all major FCH related events at the county, district, and state levels.

#### Buc Days Invitational Food Challenge (RULES) (REGISTRATION)

The Buccaneer Commission in Corpus Christi, Texas, will be hosting an invitational Food Challenge May 11, 2024. The event will be hosted on Buc Days Festival grounds in the American Bank Center Exhibit Hall where \$7,500 will be awarded in prize money.

#### Food Handlers Course (FLYER)

If you're interested in obtaining your food handlers certification you can contact Angle Gutierrez, Family & Community Health agent. Class can be conducted at the Extension office or at your location.



#### 2024 Storyboard Invitational Contest (INFORMATION) – DEADLINE May 15<sup>th</sup>

The 2024 Texas 4-H Digital Story Board Contest registration will open on May 1<sup>st</sup> and remain open until May 15th. For more information visit the <u>Fashion and Interior Design page</u>. Directions to register for the 2024 Texas 4-H Digital Story Board Contest:

- 1. Go to <u>4-H Online</u>
- 2. Event name 2024 Texas 4-H Digital Storyboard Invitational
- 3. Entry selection and \$15 fee payment will take place here.
- 4. You will receive a link to Submittable to upload entry.

# LEADERSHIP & CITIZENSHIP

The leadership / citizenship page will provide all leadership events at the county, district, and state levels.

#### **Citizen Washington Focus**

4-H'ers from across the nation at one of two incredible weeks of the new Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) experience. The dates for 2024 are June 15-22, 2024, and June 20-27, 2024. Click here to register.

#### National 4-H True Leaders in Equity Institute – DEADLINE May 17<sup>th</sup>

National 4-H Council's True Leaders in Equity Institute is an opportunity to discuss pertinent issues that challenge your community. Teens and adult teams will engage with inspiring speakers, learn from hands on workshops, and become change agents to create welcoming and belonging environments for all. Save this link to stay informed on updates.

#### 2024 TFB Student Success Series Engage Program

The Texas Farm Bureau Student Success Series Engage Program is for current freshmen and sophomores in high school. Participants will learn more about TFB, engage with community leaders in agriculture and western industries, gain insight into the free enterprise system, and tour a local agricultural operation. This program will take place in each of the 13 TFB Districts. A list of district event dates, locations, and registration are available by clicking here.

### 2024 Virtual Youth Lab (APPLICATION) – DEADLINE May 19th

The Youth Lab summer program reaches underserved teens in 8th. 9th. 10th. and 11th grades from throughout the State of Texas. The 4-H and Youth Development Unit of the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences at Prairie View A&M University hosts the virtual camp to introduce young people to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) careers in agriculture. There are two overarching goals of this program. These goals are parallel to the mission of S.A.L.E., Inc. by focusing on educating and developing the youth of Texas for careers in agriculture. This year's theme is "Bee the Change" and will focus on pollinators. The agenda for this program is set up with fun, exciting, and educational activities filled with guest speakers, virtual field trips, hands-on activities, and more.

### 2024 Leadership Lab & Council Officer Elections (INFORMATION) (FLYER) **DEADLINE FOR Leadership Lab May 28th**

#### DEADLINE FOR District Council Officer Applications May 31<sup>st</sup>

Leadership Lab is our annual Leadership camp for 4-H members from ages 13-18. This year it will be from June 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> at the Texas 4-H Center. This event provides a variety of leadership, recreation, and project enhancement workshops that participants are challenged to take back to their own county and implement. District 4-H Council Delegates from the 21 counties are highly encouraged to attend and participate in the District 4-H Council Business Meeting which includes the election of the District Council Officers for the new 4-H year. Candidates for District 4-H Council will present their campaign speech and participate in a question/answer session in front of the voting delegates.

### NATURAL RESOURCES

The natural resources page will provide a look at all major events at the county, district, and state levels.

#### 4-H Plant Identification Plant Mounts Resource

Texas Range Plant Mounts: If you are looking for plant mounts for the 4-H Plant Identification contest, Shanna Gleason and Daphne Kast, members of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Class of 2022, are selling plant mounts for \$2.50 each. Texas Range Plant Mounts can serve as a good resource. Contact them through their Facebook Page to learn more and see what is currently available. You can also contact the Kast's by email at daphne.kast@gmail.com.

#### Natural Resources Program Spring and Summer Events (FLYER)

There are a few upcoming 4-H Natural Resources program events coming up in the spring and summer to keep an eye on. Mark your calendars for the events in the attached graphic. <u>Click here to access the Natural Resources webpage</u>, <u>click here for the 4-H Natural Resources Facebook page</u>, and <u>click here for the 4-H Natural Resources Instagram</u>. Contact Larry Hysmith at <a href="https://www.click.com">https://www.click.com</a> the events in the attached graphic. <u>Click here to access the Natural Resources webpage</u>, <u>click here for the 4-H Natural Resources Facebook page</u>, and <u>click here for the 4-H Natural Resources Instagram</u>. Contact Larry Hysmith at <a href="https://www.click.com">https://www.click.com</a> the spring and summer to access the Natural Resources webpage, <u>click here for the 4-H Natural Resources Facebook page</u>, and <u>click here for the 4-H Natural Resources Instagram</u>.

### 2024 Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge (FLYER) – DEADLINE May 15th

Registration is OPEN for the 2024 Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge at Long Acres Ranch in Richmond, Texas. Come out for a day of fun competition in skills like kayaking, fishing, riflery, outdoor first aid, archery, and so much more! Registration is open now through May 15th, so get your submissions in NOW! Reach out to Larry Hysmith for more information at larry.hysmith@ag.tamu.edu.

#### NEW

#### TX 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project State Contest (MANUAL) (INFORMATION)

WHEP Workshops will be held periodically around the state for adult leaders and youth to learn the material and practice the application of knowledge and skills. These will be registered through 4HOnline and found on that calendar as well as the Natural Resources Program Activity and Event Schedule found on this website under Resources.

### SHOOTING SPORTS

The shooting sports page will provide a one stop shop for all upcoming shooting sports activities.

#### Tom Green 4-H Whizbang (REGISTRATION)

The Tom Green 4-H Whizbang and Clay Shoot will be May 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. This event is **limited to 60 shooters** and will cost \$225 per shooter for youth members. Adult division will cost \$100.

#### Texas 4-H Roundup State Rifle Rule Updates

Attention Texas 4-H Roundup Indoor Rifle Participants – Please note a venue change for this year's event. It will now take place in Rosenburg, TX, at the Fort Bend AgriLife Education Building Indoor Range, instead of Victoria. If your team qualifies to compete in this event, please familiarize yourself with the rule updates. The rule updates affect challenges. Rules linked below:

- Roundup Rifle Rules REVISED 2024
- 2024 Roundup Indoor Rifle Match Participation Information

#### Bandera 4-H Mark Bonner Memorial Cowboy Blast (FLYER)

The Bandera 4-H Mark Bonner Memorial Cowboy Blast is June 21-23, 2024. One lunch ticket will be provided to each 4-H shooter with a paid registration good at Bandera Gun Club only.

#### CCS Rodeo Warm-Up Sporting Clay and Whizbang Qualifier Shoot

Cornerstone Christian schools will be hosting a Whizbang Qualifier Shoot Saturday, September 21 at National Shooting Complex. SALE Jr. Shooting Qualifier Shoot. Registration is coming soon!

### STEM

The STEM contest page will provide a look at all STEM opportunities at the county, district, and state levels.

#### CLOVER: Exploring the Secrets of Our Sun (ACTIVITY)

Developed by Utah State University and EDP Renewables, help youth dive into the world of experiential learning! 4-H youth will build a solar energy model, get their hands dirty (well, not literally), and learn about renewable energy. From understanding the principles of photovoltaics to assembling the components, every step is a chance to explore, discover, and apply real-world knowledge.

#### Clover by 4-H Activity (ACTIVITY)

Artificial Intelligence (AI) refers to the simulation of human intelligence processes by machines. Designed by The Ohio State University Extension and brought to you by Google, 4-H educators will help youth explore the fundamental decision-making principles of AI and applications of AI in commonly used technologies in this week's Clover by 4-H activity.

#### Aperture Academy (FLYER)

Aperture Academy is a beginner's photography camp for youth entering grades 6-8 and is scheduled for July 7-10. All cameras, equipment, and supplies for the camp will be provided. No prior knowledge or experience of photography is required. Registration is open & space is limited to 25.

#### 4-H STEM Curriculum: Sustainable Polymers: Confronting the Plastic Crisis (FLYER)

Introducing the new 4-H STEM Curriculum for Grades 9-12: Sustainable Polymers: Confronting the Plastic Crisis. Engaging youth to learn about and help mitigate negative environmental impacts of plastic waste.

#### Sea World 4-H Marine Biology Camp (FLYER) (REGISTRATION)

The Texas 4-H Center has partnered with SeaWorld - San Antonio to offer the first-ever Texas 4-H Center Marine Biology Camp! This 5-day/ 4-night camp on the SeaWorld Campus will allow campers to explore different perspectives and their own personal limitations through unique experiences as they broaden their knowledge of ecology. Join the fun and inspire a passion and joy for the natural world through experiential learning, human and animal interactions, and self-discovery. Get your feet wet with this NEW 4-H Camp!

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#### **4-H More Information and Materials**

We're challenging each 4-H member to invite four friends to join 4-H. For returning 4-H members who invite new members in, we've set up an incentive program. Incentives include:

- 1 new member: 4-H 4 More T-Shirt
- 2 new members: Membership Refund
- 3 new members: Leather portfolio
- 4 new members: Backpack & State Recognition

**How is this tracked?** When a new member registers on 4HOnline, they will have the availability to input who referred them 4-H. Utilize the marketing materials below!

- Facebook Post Template
- Instagram Post Template & Instagram Story Template
- Flyer Template & Brochure Template

#### Core Academy (FLYER)

June 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, Explore Stephenville, Abilene, and San Angelo. One of the goals of the CORE Academy is to bring awareness to an assortment of possible careers.

#### States' 4-H International Exchange Summer Hosting (APPLICATION)

Host a Japanese youth in summer 2024 through States' 4-H International & bring the richness of the world to your home. The hosting period is July 24-August 17. The youth to be hosted are ages 12-18. Host families must have a child of the same gender and within three years of age of the hosted youth. The visiting youth have a range of English language abilities, so host families should be prepared to communicate imaginative.

#### Texas 4-H Center Events (REGISTRATION)

- 2024 Summer Camp Schedule: <u>County Camp, Prime Time & Horizons Schedule</u>
- Aperture Academy (FLYER): Event Dates: July 7-10. Registration is limited to 25 participants.
- Texas 4-H Roundup Community Service (FLYER)

#### TAMU AGLS On Tour (REGISTRATION)

AGLS on Tour is a multi-city road tour designed for recently admitted students, including those in Aggie Gateway to Success and Texas A&M-Blinn TEAM, as well as local prospective students eager to explore the college.

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#### 2024 Texas 4-H State Roundup Updates Event Date: June 3-6, 2024 in College Station, TX

- IMPORTANT: TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP INFORMATIONAL VIDEO
- Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook
- 2024 Changes & Reminders
- College & Career Fair Registration
- Room Block Information
- Sponsorship Opportunities
- Schedule of Events (Schedule is NOT finalized and subject to Change)
- Educational Workshops Series
- Texas 4-H Roundup Buckle Blitz SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY (REGISTRATION)
- NEW TO ROUNDUP! Duds to Dazzle Solo Showcase Invitational (Registration for Texas 4-H Roundup and this contest will be open May 1st.)
- Veterinary Science Skill-A-Thon! (FLYER)
- **NEW for 2024**: Any unresolved or declined credit card payments will be flagged, and affected individuals will be required to make payment on-site before being allowed to pick up their credentials and compete.

#### Wildfire Relief For The Texas Panhandle

Wildfire Relief for the Texas Panhandle is being coordinated through a combination of local and state resources. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will continue to make regular updates to the list of agricultural resources needed and contacts at <u>tx.ag/WildfireRelief</u>. Follow the <u>Texas A&M AgriLife</u> <u>Extension Service Facebook</u> for current updates.

NEW

#### Texas 4-H Dog Show (STEP BY STEP) (GUIDE) – DEADLINE May 15<sup>th</sup>

The **2024 Texas 4-H Dog Show** registration is open on 4-H ONLINE. The show will be held at the Walker County Fairgrounds in Huntsville, Texas on July 11-13, 2024. There are three options for registration - Validated dogs - 2024 Texas 4-H Dog Show

- Never Validated Dogs 2024 Auxiliary Dog Show Foster/Family Dogs
- Photography Contest Only 2024 Auxiliary Dog Show



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### 2024 – 2025 Texas 4-H Chartering Process – DEADLINE June 30th

The 2024-2025 chartering process for existing clubs/groups as well as guidelines for the establishment of new 4-H clubs in Texas 4-H and under the Texas 4-H, Inc. organization is officially open. These documents and other resources are available online at <a href="https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/management/">https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/management/</a>. June 30, 2024, is the deadline to submit 4-H club/group charter applications in order for the application to be reviewed for approval for an August 15 club activation. Items to note include:

- <u>Texas 4-H Chartering Instructions</u> Please note the timeline and important deadlines!
- <u>2024-2025 Charter Agreement</u> -- <u>Please note the changes to the Charter Agreement for 2024-2025!</u> As before, signatures are required, but the document must also be initialed where indicated.
- <u>Sample Bylaws:</u> 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 all bylaws. <u>Club/group bylaws should not</u> conflict with the Texas 4-H Rules and Guidelines and/or the newly revised Charter Agreement.
- <u>2023 2024 Financial Review Form</u>: Bank statements uploaded as part of the chartering packet should not include copies of canceled checks and/or deposit slips. This is for the security of the club/group account(s). Please note that a checkbox has been added to the financial review form indicating that the Extension Agent certifies that all signers on the bank account are currently enrolled <u>4-H adult volunteer leaders</u>. Also, please note that the name on a 4-H club's bank account should match the name of the 4-H club/group as well as the name on the EIN assignment letter. In order to avoid the application being sent back for corrections, please ensure that the financial review form is completed in its entirety.
- <u>Charter Application Worksheet</u> for Club/Group Managers to complete and use to fill out information in 4HOnline - This form is simply a worksheet and <u>should not be uploaded</u> as part of the chartering process.
- <u>Disbandment Form</u> Included for any club that will be disbanding. Upon closure of the club, please provide the completed form to the Texas 4-H Office.

### CLUB MANAGER REPORTS

The Club Manager Report page will contain the link and QR Code for all club managers to submit their monthly reports to the County Extension Office.



LINK: https://forms.gle/MMzKsUZ95BJChTiM9