BEXAR COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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Club Manager Reports: LINK HERE

Due by the 25th of each month

Please see page 10 for any Texas 4-H
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BULLETIN BOARD

Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship (SCHOLARSHIP) - DEADLINE May 16th

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 27th. If you have any questions, please contact Kennedy Green at kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu or 210-631-0400.





Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship

<u>DEADLINE: Friday, May 16th, 2025 by 5:00 P.M.</u>

Interviews: Tuesday, May 27th, 2025

NO LATE PACKETS WILL BE ACCEPTED

If you have any questions, please contact Kennedy Green at kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu or 210-631-0400.



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National 4-H Index (INFORMATION) (EVALUATION) (COMPLETION FORM) - DEADLINE June 30th

All Texas 4-H members 13-18 years old are being asked to complete the National 4-H Index evaluation. The goal of this evaluation is to obtain data on 4-H youth outcomes. There is no individual compensation, however, the first 270 complete youth responses will receive a \$10 electronic Amazon Gift Card from Texas 4-H Youth Development.

Our County has 25 completed surveys and we are aiming for 60!



Future Tag Order Deadlines!

All tag orders are due on their due date at 5:00 pm, at the Extension Office.

- State Fair of Texas Broiler (<u>FORM</u>): <u>May 9th</u>
- Major Show Turkey (<u>FORM</u>): <u>July 11th</u>

Bexar County Record Book Contest – DEADLINE May 30th at 5pm

(GUIDE) (FORMS) (SUBMISSION LINK)

As the 2024-2025 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 Google Forms. 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 28th @ 5 pm to ensure we have time to scan all books and upload them for our judges.

Bexar County Record Book Judge Sign-Up (SIGNUP) - DEADLINE May 28th

We're excited to invite you to be a part of the Bexar County Record Book Contest as a volunteer judge! If you've never judged before, don't worry, we're organizing a fun judges training session, and we'll share the date with you soon. If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to reach out to Kennedy at kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu or 210-631-0400. Remember, the more judges we have, the easier it is for everyone, so we'd love to see you there! Thank you for your support!

Bexar County 4-H Awards (HANDBOOK) - DEADLINE June 13, 2025

We are excited to release the Bexar County 4-H awards handbook for 2025. This handbook is being released early in the year to allow 4-H members who wish to apply for awards the entire year to work towards achieving the requirements. They will be awarded at the annual Bexar County 4-H Award Banguet.

Bexar County Council Officer Elections (APPLICATION) (RESPONSIBILITIES) – DEADLINE Monday, May 12, 2025

The elections for the 2025-2026 4-H Bexar County Council Officers are soon! They will be held during the upcoming County Council meeting on Thursday, May 22nd. We are excited to see what next year has in store for us! It is crucial to have a quorum to conduct important council business; without a quorum, we will be unable to hold the elections or address other items on the agenda.

UPCOMING DEADLINES

MAY 1	Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program DEADLINE
MAY 1	Texas Youth Sheep & Goat Leadership Tour DEADLINE
MAY 1	Prairie View A&M SALE Scholarship DEADLINE
MAY 1	Texas 4-H Digital Storyboard Invitational DEADLINE
MAY 1	2025 Texas 4-H Horse Validation DEADLINE
MAY 6	Texas 4-H Roundup DEADLINE
MAY 9	State Fair of Texas Broiler Order DEADLINE
MAY 12	Bexar County Council Officer Application DEADLINE
MAY 14	Texas 4-H Dog Show DEADLINE
MAY 15	4-H Outdoor Challenge DEADLINE
MAY 16	Bexar County 4-H S.A.L.E. Scholarship by 5:00 PM DEADLINE
MAY 27	2025 – 2026 Texas 4-H At-Large Delegate Application DEADLINE
MAY 27	2025 Leadership Lab DEADLINE
MAY 28	Bexar County Record Book Judges Sign Up DEADLINE
MAY 30	Bexar County Record Book Contest DEADLINE
MAY 31	District 10 4-H Council Officer Elections DEADLINE
MAY 31	San Antonio River Authority River Clicks Photo Contest DEADLINE
JUN 13	Bexar County 4-H Awards DEADLINE
JUN 30	National 4-H Index DEADLINE
JUL 11	Major Show Turkey Order DEADLINE
AUG 1	4-H Parent Reimbursement Form DEADLINE

<u>4-H Reimbursement Form – Reimbursement Submission DEADLINE August 1, 2025</u>

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 Reimbursement Form to kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu.

2024-2025 Bexar County 4-H Council and Adult Leader Meeting Dates

May 22nd (Officer Elections)

CONTEST PAGE

2024 – 2025 County – District – State CONTEST/EVENTS CALENDAR

SPRING & SUMMER DATES

District 10 SPRING Roundup -**Community Service Opportunity!**

Where to Donate: Any District 10 4-H Contest!

Information

District 10 4-H is excited to participate in the **Electrify Our Service** campaign at the 2025 Texas 4-H Roundup, and we need your help! This year, we are collecting donations to support women and children in shelters, and your contributions will make a real impact. Get with your clubs to gather donations or spread the word using this

FLYER!

What to Donate:

- Mini Deodorant (Assigned item by State)
- Fleece Fabric (2-yard increments, used to make blankets)

Where to Donate:

© District 10 4-H contests! (List of events HERE)

Your generosity will help us create care packages and blankets that provide comfort to those in need. Together, we can show the power of 4-H and give back to our communities in a meaningful way.

-Greyson Crenwelge, District 2nd Vice

District 10 Leadership Lab - Alto Frio **REGISTRATION OPENS: Thursday, May 1, 2025**

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 27, 2025

LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 28-30, 2025 EVENT DATE: June 25-27, 2025

District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg

REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, June 6, 2025

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 24, 2025

LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.-Fri. June 25-27, 2025

EVENT DATE: Thursday, July 10, 2025

SUMMER DATES

Texas 4-H State Roundup – College Station
REGISTRATION OPENS: Mon., Apr. 14, 2025
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tue., May 6, 2025
LATE REGISTRATION:

May 7 - May 8, 2025: Additional \$50 Late Fee. May 9 - May 14, 2025: Additional \$250 Late Fee May 15 - May 31, 2025: Additional \$500 Late Fee NO REGISTRATION AFTER May 31st

Event Information & Helpful Links

EVENT DATE: June 2-5, 2025	Texas 4-H Roundup Website
	Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook
	2025 Changes & Reminders
	Room Block Information
	Schedule of Events (Tentative)

State 4-H Horse Show – Bryan, TX **FINAL REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 1, 2025**

NO LATE REGISTRATIONS

EVENT DATE:	Horse Show Rules
July 20-26,	Horse Show Schedule
	<u>Hotels – Destination Bryan</u>
	Hotels – Visit College Station

Texas 4-H State Games

STEP 1: 4HOnline DEADLINE: TBA – June 2025 STEP 2: iClays DEADLINE: TBA – June 2025 **NO LATE REGISTRATIONS**

July 6-11, 2025	Rifle, Pistol, Muzzleloading, Hunting Skills –Baird, TX (Callahan County)
July 14-19, 2025	Archery & Shotgun Events - National Shooting Complex – San Antonio, TX
Information	2025 State Games Handbook – COMING SOON! 2025 Shooting Sports Waiver iClays Instructions – <i>Coming Soon</i>

SCHOLARSHIPS

Prairie View A&M SALE Scholarship (FLYER) (APPLICATION) – DEADLINE May 1st Have you been accepted to Prairie View A&M University in the fall? Prairie View is offering five \$15,000 scholarships for academic support to incoming first year students. For more information contact, Gudalupe Castro-Ventura at gucastro@pvamu.edu.

AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK & HORSE

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. 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 at Sam.womble@ag.tamu.edu or call the office at 210-631-0400 or cell 361-649-5836.

<u>JudgingCard Calendar/Events (JUDGINGCARD)</u>

If you are interested in participating in any judging events, please go to the JudgingCard link above and click on Event Registration and Information. If you want to participate in an event, please call the Extension Office at 210-631-0400.

2025 Texas 4-H Horse Validation (INFO) (VIDEO) (WALK-THROUGH) - DEADLINE April 16th

ALL horses must be validated/re-validated each year. There is no limit to the number of horses that can be validated. You are encouraged to validate all horses that may possibly be shown at district and/or state shows. Only state validated horses can be substituted if a validated horse becomes unusable due to lameness, sickness, etc. The family can submit payment of 20.00 after April 15th, or \$250 from May 1st to May 5th, in the form of a **credit card ONLY**.

- o From April 16 May 1, the validation cost for each horse is \$20.00. The \$20.00 cost is only guaranteed if animal validation is approved by the county office by the May 1st deadline and the payment is processed.
- Each validation must include front view, right side view, and left side view images. The entire horse should be included in the photo and markings should be clearly visible.
- If the horse is registered, a copy of the registration papers must be uploaded. These papers must list the 4-Her, sibling, parent, stepparent, grandparent or legal guardian as the current owner. If the ownership is in the process of being transferred, please list "pending" in the registration number area. Once the updated registration papers have been received, please email me a copy of the new papers and I will add it to the validation online.
- Lease horses are eligible to be validated and shown at District and State 4-H Horse Shows. An official Texas 4-H Horse Lease Agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and supervising CEA. The lease period must include, at minimum, May 1st to August 31st of the current 4-H year. The lease agreement form can be found at https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/ and must be uploaded in 4-H Online at the time of validation.
- Image uploads in 4-H Online must be in the form of a .jpg, .gif or .png file.
- **Families should validate each horse only once.** Once the horse is validated, any sibling within that family in 4-H Online is eligible to show the horse at their district show and/or the State 4-H Horse Show.
- Youth validating a futurity horse must be at least 12 years of age (as of Sept. 1, 2024) and at least in 6th grade.
- The family will receive an automated message from 4-H Online when the CEA has approved the horse at the county level. **This approval does NOT guarantee eligibility**. After it is approved at the county level, the validation will then be reviewed at the state level. The family will be notified by June 1st if there are any issues with the validation at the state level.

BCJLS Market Days (FLYER)

BCJLS is having a Market Days event on Saturday, May 10, 2025, complete with a crawfish boil, goat ropin' event, and cornhole tournament! See you there!

Texas Youth Sheep & Goat Leadership Tour (APPLICATION) - DEADLINE May 1st

We are so excited for this years' Texas Youth Sheep & Goat Leadership Tour! We will be traveling from San Angelo to College Station making stops meeting with industry specialists, different sheep and goat operations and universities along the way! This will be a great week of learning and hands on activities! Tour will take place **June 15-19, 2025.** This is open to incoming 9th through 12th grade students In addition to completing this application, each applicant is required to submit a 1 1/2-minute video introducing themselves and answering the following question: "Explain your involvement and/or aspirations in the sheep and goat industry?" Please submit your application to joleen.frost@ag.tamu.edu. You will receive an email with confirmation of receipt and instructions for sharing the video. Both the application and video are a required component of the application process.Notification of acceptance/denial will be sent by May 15th. The Texas Youth Sheep and Goat Program Facebook page is a great resource that will have more info and tour highlights in the coming weeks! If anyone has any questions, please send them to Joleen Frost: joleen.frost@ag.tamu.edu.

Texas 4-H Dog Show (GUIDELINES) - DEADLINE May 14th

The Texas 4-H Dog Show will be held this year at the Hill Country Youth Activity Center in Kerrville, Texas on July 8-10, 2025. Entries are now open for both 4-H members with validated dogs and 4-H members who want to participate in the Foster Family Dog program with an unvalidated dog or Photography Project members who would like to enter the Dog Photography Contest.

LEADERSHIP & CITIZENSHIP/FAMILY & COMMUNITY HEALTH

2025 – 2026 Texas 4-H Council Information – DEADLINE May 27th

The 2025-2026 At-Large Delegate application information has been posted at https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ambassadors/. Interested candidates that would like to run for At-Large Delegate positions should review the contract and agree to it before running for one of the positions that serves on the Texas 4-H Council. The **MANDATORY** July Council Training is scheduled for Monday, July 28, through Thursday, July 31, in Stephenville, TX. Additional details about these dates and other dates for the year can be found in the contract. Please communicate these dates early on with your potential district candidates along with anyone you know considering one of the six At-Large Positions.

- 2025-2026 At-Large Delegate Application Deadline May 27, 2025
- 2025-2026 At-Large Leadership History Form (word document)
- 2025-2026 Texas 4-H Council Membership Contract Required by At-Large and District Delegates
- Texas 4-H Council Standing Rules

Texas 4-H Digital Storyboard Invitational - DEADLINE May 1st

Calling all senior-level 4-H members, it's time to showcase your creativity and design skills! Registration for the Texas 4-H Digital Storyboard Invitational is open from April 15–May 1, 2025. The cost is \$15 and registration is available on 4-H Online under 4-H Digital Storyboard Invitational. After registering, participants will receive a link to Submittable to upload their storyboard and required paperwork. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to bring your ideas to life through digital design!

We Need You! Community Service Project (FLYER) (REGISTRATION)

On Saturday May 31st from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, 4-H members are invited to respectfully remove flags from Veterans tombstones.

Ecofashion Showcase (FLYER)

If you have participated before in Duds to Dazzle, Fashion Show or Storyboard and would like to showcase your creation, this event is for you! You can also work on making something new to showcase. More information is coming soon. Hope you can join us. This event is open to any youth 3rd grade to 12th grade.

2025 Leadership Lab (PACKET COMING SOON)- DEADLINE May 27th

Leadership Lab is our annual Leadership camp for 4-H members from ages 13-18. This event provides a variety of leadership, recreation, and project enhancement. 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. We are excited to announce we will be hosting the 2025 District Leadership Lab at Alto Frio in Leakey, TX! All District 4-H Council officers plus County Delegate representatives should attend this event.

District 10 4-H Council Officer Elections (JOB DESCRIPTIONS) - DEADLINE May 31st

2025-2026 District 10 4-H Council officers will be elected during **District Leadership Lab on June 25-June 27**, **2025** at the Alto Frio Baptist Camp. **Any 4-H'er who has ATTENDED LEADERSHIP LAB AT LEAST ONE YEAR PRIOR TO THIS YEAR is eligible to seek an office.** Qualified delegates interested in seeking Council office must apply **by completing the** application on 4HOnline starting May 1, 2025 and submitting no later than May 31, 2025.

Applications will be accepted online only, and it is the candidate's responsibility to ensure their application was received. No late applications accepted, NO EXCEPTIONS.

NATURAL RESOURCES/SHOOTING SPORTS

2025 4-H Outdoor Challenge (INFORMATION) - DEADLINE May 15th

The 4-H Outdoor Challenge contest consists of 10 events where teams compete to earn points for overall high point position. A team consists of exactly 2 members within the same age division and gender class. Teams compete in all 10 events during one weekend of competition. Participants will learn and practice various outdoor education activities from fishing and shooting to camping and biologist skills.

Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program (APPLICATION) - DEADLINE May 1st

The Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program provides high school youth an opportunity to gain advanced knowledge and develop leadership skills related to the science, technology, engineering, and management of water in Texas. By connecting with water professionals, water ambassadors gain exposure and recognition as youth leaders, learn about scholarship and internship opportunities, and explore the diverse career paths in the water industry.

Selection Criteria:

- Senior level 4-H youth (grades 9-12 in fall 2026)
- Students with a genuine interest in water and natural resources

Application Process:

- Student will complete the online application and submit two letters of recommendation
- CEA will be notified of any youth applying within their county
- Applications are reviewed and up to 30 youth are selected
- · CEA will be notified of any youth selected within their county

Requirements:

- Participate in the Tier I 4-H2O Leadership Academy (tour) June 8-14
- Commit to completing a minimum of 40 hours of education/service by June 30, 2026
- Complete monthly assignments
- Make a good faith effort to attend Spring/Fall retreats and participate in monthly Zoom seminars
- Pay the \$300 participation fee

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS

San Antonio River Authority River Clicks Photo Contest (INFO) (ENTRY) - DEADLINE May 31st

Showcase the natural wonders around you by entering the 8th Annual River Clicks Photo Contest! Winners will receive the prize package associated with the category they won, which will be valued at approximately \$500 per category and \$1,000 for the Special Category. Winners will be recognized at a reception in Fall 2025, which will take place in Bexar County. Winning photos will be used by River Authority, including, but not limited to, in River Authority's Fall issue of the River Reach Newsletter, in a 2026 calendar, and featured at public displays in Bexar, Wilson, Karnes, and Goliad counties.



STEM Workshop (FLYER) (REGISTRATION)

We are inviting all 4-H'ers to explore the engaging environment of STEM on Saturday May 24th at the Bexar County Extension Office. Please RSVP by Friday, May 24th.

GENERAL INFORMATION/EVENTS

Texas 4-H Curriculum (RESOURCES)

Did you know Texas 4-H offers multiple resources for curriculum? Click here to see the frequently updated full list of what we have to offer!

Introducing the Official Texas 4-H Podcast! (LINK)

Texas 4-H now has an official podcast: Deep in the Heart of Texas 4-H! Check it out wherever you listen & you get your podcasts. Check for a new episode every other Monday.

Deep in the Heart of TEXAS 4-H

<u>Texas 4-H Center Updates and 2025 Summer Camps (SCHEDULE)</u> 2025 Summer Camp Registration is LIVE!

Link for more information- Youth Camps & Retreats - Texas 4-H Center - Lake Brownwood Link to register- Texas 4-H Center Registration Management

2025 Texas 4-H Roundup - DEADLINE May 6th

- Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook HERE
- Texas 4-H Roundup Schedule HERE
- Texas 4-H Roundup Hotel Block HERE
- Texas 4-H Roundup Buckle Blitz HERE
- Texas 4-H Roundup National Anthem Auditions HERE
- NOW HIRING: Texas 4-H Roundup Summer Interns HERE
- NOW HIRING: Texas 4-H Roundup Summer Collegiate Interns HERE
- Calling all 4-H Entrepreneurs to Roundup! <u>HERE</u>
- BUGS n' BLOOMS Camp HERE
- Say Yes to FCS! HERE

TSC Spring Paper Clover Campaign (FLYER) (SOCIAL MEDIA GRAPHIC)

The Tractor Supply Co. Spring Paper Clover Campaign kicks off this weekend—April 18 through May 5! If you have a Tractor Supply store in your county, we strongly encourage you to connect with them and make plans to help promote the campaign. This is a great opportunity to raise support for your local program! Here's the best part: 90% of the funds raised at each store go directly back to that county's 4-H program! The money will be deposited into your Texas 4-H Foundation County Account and can be used to support 4-H youth leadership activities. Thank you for all you do to support Texas 4-H! Let's make this campaign a success!