# BEXAR COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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Club Manager Reports: LINK HERE

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#### BULLETIN BOARD

#### 2025 – 2026 Bexar County 4-H Fundraiser Survey (SURVEY)

We're gearing up for another exciting year of Bexar County 4-H, and it's time to start planning one of our most important initiative, our 2025–2026 fundraiser! We've brainstormed three fun and creative fundraising ideas, each scheduled for a different time of the year. Now we need YOUR help to choose the one we should move forward with!

#### Future Tag Order Deadlines!

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

- Major Show Turkey (FORM): <u>July 11<sup>th</sup></u>
- Fall Heifer (FORM COMING SOON): August 8<sup>th</sup>
- Major Lamb/Goat (FORM COMING SOON): August 15<sup>th</sup>
- Major Swine (FORM COMING SOON): <u>September 12<sup>th</sup></u>
- Major Broiler (FORM COMING SOON): <u>September 12<sup>th</sup></u>

#### District 10 4-H Record Book Judging (INFORMATION) - HARD COPY DEADLINE JULY 7TH

4-H Record Books allow youth to see just how much they have accomplished in their main projects. First place books from each county advance to District in three age divisions: Juniors, Intermediates & Seniors. The 1st place senior record book in each category will have the opportunity to advance to State level! The District 10 4-H Record Book Judging event will be held July 10, 2025 at the Gillespie County Extension Office (38 Business Ct, Fredericksburg, TX 78624). \*\*Ist place finishers from the Bexar County Record Book contest, please make any corrections indicated by the judges and return a hard copy of your books to the County Extension Office by Friday, July 7th, at 5:00 PM.

#### 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 Information: Youth who advance to state will need first register on 4HOnline by July 31, 2025. Next, you need to upload your Record Book into Submittable by that same deadline (Information regarding State Record Book Advancement can be found HERE). \*\*All record books MUST be uploaded as a PDF in Submittable by July 31, 2025 at 11:59 pm. Judging is scheduled for August 11-13th 2025.

#### 2025 Bexar County Awards Banquet

The 2025 Bexar County 4-H Awards Banquet will be held on Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at the St. Hedwig VFW (14290 FM 1346, St Hedwig, TX 78152) Flyer and more information to come!

#### Wellness Wednesday (FLYER) (REGISTRATION)

Our next Wellness Wednesday will be on July 16<sup>th</sup>! This hands-on class is designed to teach the basics of grilling, beef preparation, and essential food safety tips. Participants will even get the chance to prepare and grill their lunch and enter a raffle giveaway for a free Grilling Gift Pack!

# **UPCOMING DEADLINES**

JUL 7	D10 Record Book Contest PHYSICAL COPY DUE TO OFFICE DEADLINE
JUL 11	Major Show Turkey Order <b>DEADLINE</b>
JUL 31	Texas 4-H State Record Book Judging DEADLINE
AUG 1	4-H Parent Reimbursement Form DEADLINE
AUG 8	State Fair of Texas Entries <b>DEADLINE</b>
AUG 8	Heart O' Texas Entries <b>DEADLINE</b>
AUG 8	West Texas Fair and Rodeo Livestock Show DEADLINE
AUG 15	Major Lamb/Goat/Swine Tag Order DEADLINE
SEP 12	Major Swine Tag Order <b>DEADLINE</b>
SEP 12	Major Broiler Order <u>DEADLINE</u>

#### <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.

# CONTEST PAGE

# 2024 - 2025 County - District - State CONTEST/EVENTS CALENDAR

#### **SPRING & SUMMER DATES**

#### District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg

**EVENT DATE: Thursday, July 10, 2025** 

#### **SUMMER DATES**

State 4-H Horse Show – Bryan, TX		
EVENT DATE: July 20-26, 2025	Horse Show Rules Horse Show Schedule Hotels – Destination Bryan Hotels – Visit College Station	
Texas 4-H State Games		
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	

# 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 <a href="mailto:sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu">Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu</a> or call the office at 210-631-0400.

#### 2025 Validation Dates

#### **Fall Heifer**

October 25th 9:00 - 11:00am East Central

#### **Swine Validation**

**November 8**<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 11:00am <u>ASTA</u> **November 25**<sup>th</sup> 2:00 – 5:00pm <u>East Central</u>

#### **Sheep and Goat**

October 16<sup>th</sup> 3:00 – 6:00pm <u>ASTA</u> October 21<sup>st</sup> 4:30 – 6:30pm <u>East Central</u>

#### State Fair of Texas Entries (ENTRY) (PREMIUM BOOK)- DEADLINE August 8th

Youth Livestock and All Contest entries are to be made online by parents/guardians through the online parent portal. Note the parent portal will open August 1<sup>st</sup>. 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. The Bexar County deadline will be August 8<sup>th</sup>. Any entries made after 12:00am on August 8<sup>th</sup> will be subject to a \$100 late fee that must be paid to the county extension office prior to entry approval.

Heart O' Texas Entries (PREMIUM BOOK) (FORM COMING SOON) – DEADLINE August 8<sup>th</sup> HOT entries are due to the office by August 8<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM.

# West TX Fair and Rodeo Livestock Show (PREMIUM BOOK) (ENTRY FORM) – DEADLINE August 8<sup>th</sup> Youth Livestock and All Contest entries are to be made here in the office. The Bexar County deadline will be August

8th. Any entries made after 12:00am on August 8th will be subject to a \$100 late fee that must be paid to the county extension office prior to entry approval.

# LEADERSHIP & CITIZENSHIP/FAMILY & COMMUNITY HEALTH

#### **Ecofashion Showcase (FLYER)**

If you have designed, upcycled, sewn or refurbished an outfit, or other items we would love to showcase your creations. This can also include a storyboard with your inspirations and ideas. If you have any questions, you can reach out to Family & Community Health agent- Angie Gutierrez. <a href="mailto:aogutierrez@ag.tamu.edu">aogutierrez@ag.tamu.edu</a> This event is open to any youth 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### Summer One Time Presentations for your Clubs and Schools! (Egg to Chick) (Wellness)

If you are looking for some fun summer activities for your clubs, we are currently conducting 1x presentations and hands on activities for Explore the Chicken Life Cycle and Mental Wellness, getting experience in mindfulness. If you would like to schedule one of these presentations, please reach out to the educator on the flyer.

## 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 4-11

# Texas 4-H Center Updates and 2025 Summer Camps (SCHEDULE)

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 - 2026 Texas 4-H Chartering Process

The 2025-2026 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. Please click <u>HERE</u> for the 2025-2026 chartering information. All 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, 2025, 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 include:

- 2025-2026 Charter Agreement: <u>DOWNLOAD</u>. As before, signatures are required, but the document must also be initialed where indicated.
- Sample Bylaws: <u>DOWNLOAD</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. Club/group bylaws should not conflict with the Texas 4-H Rules and Guidelines and/or the newly revised Charter Agreement. Please see bylaws requirements <u>HERE</u>.
- 2024-2025 Financial Review Form: <u>DOWNLOAD</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 4-H adult volunteer leaders. 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.
- Chartering Resources & Guides:
- o Save the Date: May 15 at 3pm Chartering Training/Q&A Meeting Link
- Who To Contact With Questions
- Chartering Step-By-Step Video Guide
- 4HOnline Charter Application Guide
- o 4HOnline Charter Resubmit Instructions

Disbandment Form: <u>DOWNLOAD</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.