## 2014 STATE AND NATIONAL 4-H EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

- PRIME TIME. Since the opening of the Texas 4-H Conference Center in 1975, summer 4-H camps have been offered. These have been extremely popular with all 4-H age groups. Agents attending will gain information on how to plan a county 4-H camp and work with volunteers in conducting county camps, Agents will also serve as chaperones.
- 2. CAMP CORRAL. Sponsored by Golden Corral Restaurants, is a week-long camp for youth ages 8-15 who have a family member in one of the US Armed Forces. Priority is given to youth of wounded, disabled, or fallen servicemen/women. The camp is offered to these families free of charge and the Texas 4-H Conference Center is one of 15 sites hosting a Camp Corral. Agents are asked to serve as chaperones to honor the service so valiantly provided by these men and women and their families. Each district is required to provide one male and one female county Extension agent.
- 3. **NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE**. Participants are involved in an array of operation committees, consulting groups, and pre/post conference commitments and obligations.
- 4. **YOUTH RANGE WORKSHOP**. This workshop recognizes outstanding youth, develops leadership, and provides advanced training to youth interested in practical range and range management.
- 5. **MASH CAMP**. The Medical, Activity, Safety, and Health Camp gives youth in the 7<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> grades the opportunity to learn about careers and higher education opportunities in the medical, athletics, safety, and health fields. The camp will include tours and hands-on activities for youth to learn about nutrition, medicine, health, and careers.
- 6. **HORIZONS**. A new project-based camp for junior and intermediate age 4-H members. Agents and/or specialists are needed to coordinate 15 hours of instruction in one project area.
- 7. **TEXAS 4-H ROPING SCHOOL**. This project compliments the 4-H Horse Project. Since many young people are interested in roping as a horse activity, this school teaches them correct technique and also emphasizes learning how to teach others. Agents assisting will learn from the experts along with the young people, plus the opportunity to learn how to implement a county 4-H roping project.
- 8. **TEXAS 4-H CONGRESS**. Texas 4-H Congress is a four-day legislative experience held in Austin for 4-H members ages 15-19. During this time, the 4-H members assume the roles of senators, representatives, lobbyists and members of the press to gain a first-hand understanding of how the legislative process works. Texas 4-H Congress is a leadership program that is planned and implemented by youth.
- 9. **MISSION POSSIBLE**. An inclusive camp for youth with and without disabilities. Agents are needed to chaperone and assist with camp educational programs.
- 10. **TEXAS 4-H LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**. This is a trip to Washington, D.C. to chaperone the winners of the Senior 4-H Member Recordbook Competition. This is a 5-day trip held the Friday after Thanksgiving to the following Tuesday. Two 4-H specialists and four county Extension agents will be chaperones.
- 11. **NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS**. This national leadership experience is held over Thanksgiving weekend in Atlanta, GA. Participants and chaperones participate in unique workshops focusing on diversity, participate in community service activities around Atlanta, and have the opportunity to hear from nationally known speakers. Chaperones are required to serve on a National Congress Committee which assists in the operation of Congress.
- 12. **SCHOLARSHIP JUDGING**. Up to six county Extension agents are selected annually to serve in the vital role of evaluating, interviewing, and awarding of Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarships. Agents who volunteer need to be committed to the entire evaluation and interview process.

**Dates Required:** Application Judging – March 31 – April 4, 2014, College Station Interview Judging – May 9-12, 2014, Austin

## Requirements for applying as a judge:

- Present from beginning of judging to end (application judging & interviews).
- Committed and willing to dedicate 100% efforts to the designated time and process.
- Be able to work and process applications in a thorough and timely manner.
- Have a minimum of three years Extension experience as a county Extension agent and have a strong knowledge and interest in 4-H.

13. **TEXAS SHOOTING SPORTS GAMES**. State shooting matches consisting of multiple events from each shooting discipline including: Archery, Rifle, Muzzleloading, Pistol, Hunting & Wildlife, and Shotgun. Total participant numbers top 1000 annually and are consistently on the rise. Participants compete in the shooting disciplines and events of their choice and expertise to earn individual, team, and overall honors.