



September

September 1: Labor Day, Office Closed

September 5: Calf Scramble Interest to Pam or Heidi

September 6: Leaders 4 Life Workshop, Ronald McDonald House, 9am-12pm

September 6: BCYF Commercial Steer Weigh-In, 8:00am, WC Evans Ranch

September 9: Open House, Expo, 5:30pm-8:00pm

September 9: One Day T-Shirt Orders Due, Online

September 9: Major Show Broiler Orders Due, CEO

September 10: Livestock Project Workshop, 5pm-8pm, EXPO

September 10: RSVP FCS Project Leader Training

September 11: Healthy Lifestyles Advisory Board Meeting, CEO, 6pm

September 13: Food and Nutrition/FCS Competition Workshop, 9am-12pm, Ronald McDonald House

September 13: FCS Leader Training, 1:30pm-4pm, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Temple, Ave H and 43rd Street.

September 15-16: Turn in Hunter's Spectacular Tickets to Club Managers (unless earlier date from Club)

September 17: Club Officer Training, CEO, 6:30pm

September 19: Baskets or \$\$ for Silent Auction due to CEO

September 19: Major Show Broiler Orders Due, CEO

September 20: Clover Kids Meeting, CTCS, 2-4pm

September 22: Barrow Tag orders Due, CEO

September 22: Youth Advisory Board Meeting, CEO, 6pm

September 22-24: Hunter's Spectacular Tickets Due to CEO (from Club Managers ONLY)

September 23: County Council, 6:30pm, CEO

September 27: Cakes due for HS, 9am-11am, EXPO

September 27: Hunter's Spectacular, 6pm, Expo

September 27: Decorate/Setup for Hunter's Spectacular, Expo, 9am

September 29: Deadline for Gold Star Banquet, CEO

September 29: Duds to Dazzle Project Meeting, CEO, 6pm

October

October 1: Roaster Orders Due

October 6: Duds to Dazzle Project Meeting, CEO, 6pm

October 11: Come Walk in our Shoes, Temple Library, 1-4pm

October 14: Lamb, Goat, Breeding Lamb & Goat Validation, Bell County Expo, 5:00pm-8:00pm

October 16: Duds to Dazzle Project Meeting, CEO, 7pm

October 17: County Fashion Show and Duds to Dazzle Contest Entries Due

October 18: One Day 4-H, Temple Mall, TBA

October 18: Clover Kids Meeting, CTCS, 2-4pm

October 20: County Food Show Entries Due, CEO

October 20: District Gold Star Banquet, Waco

October 23 or 25: County Fashion Show and Duds to Dazzle Contest, TBA

October 27: Lamb, Goat, Breeding Lamb & Goat Validation, Bell County Expo, 5:00pm-8:00pm

October 31: Last day to enroll in 4-H!!!!



Annual 4-H Enrollment

4-H Enrollment starts **August 15th!!!** All enrollment is done via 4-H Connect this year. You can access 4-H Connect by going to our 4-H website at <http://agrillife.org/bell4h/> and clicking on the 4-H Connect icon. To maintain the level of programming and opportunities in the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program, an annual participant fee is implemented for each 4-H member (Clover Kids & Adult Volunteers excluded) starting this 2014-2015 4-H year. The participant fee is \$20 if enrolled from **August 15 to October 31st**, November 1st the participant fee will increase to \$25.

Please do not worry if you are still pending at the county level once you have enrolled. The county office will try to keep up as best as we can by approving them at least once a week. As long as you complete your enrollment, you are in the system and good for enrollment and BCYF requirements.

For instructions on how to enroll, please visit:

<http://agrillife.org/bell4h/4-h-enrollment-guidelines/4-h-enrollment-information/>

NEW THIS YEAR-All volunteers who enroll will be charged \$5.00 each volunteer. This covers your screening for the year. All volunteers will have to enroll each year.

If you have further questions, please contact the County Extension Office at: 254-933-5305

4-H Livestock Link

We have a new 4-H Livestock page on the Bell County 4-H Website:

<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/projects/4-h-livestock/>

We will be posting jackpots on the website for your information!



4-H Livestock Projects

Anyone needing assistance in selecting or securing livestock projects please contact Heidi Prude by calling the County Extension Office.

(254)-933-5305

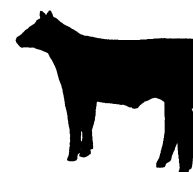


Food and Nutrition/FCS Competition Workshop

Looking to expand your Food and Nutrition (F&N) project or simply want to know more about the competitions that fall under F&N. Come out to the Food Competition Workshop at the Ronald McDonald House on **September 13th** from 9:00-12:00 and learn about Food Show, F&N Quiz Bowl, Food Challenge, and many more. Admission to this workshop will be a box/bag of individually packaged servings of the following: cereal, chips, crackers, pudding, or other snacks (not homemade). A meal will also be prepared for the resident for that evening.

BCYF Commercial Steer Weigh IN

For those 4-H members who plan on showing Commercial Steers at the Bell County Youth Fair, the Commercial Steer Weigh-In will be held on **Saturday, September 6, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.** at the W.C. Evans Ranch in Little River-Academy, TX. For additional information you can call the CEO.





SAVE THE DATE!!



Hunter Spectacular is scheduled September 27, 2014

***Tickets are available to sale.

Please pick them up through your club manager.***

Fun for the Whole Family!

We need your help! Each year, the Bell County 4-H hosts fundraisers to help with the costs of supporting our youth.

Our event is called the Hunter's Spectacular and will be held **September 27, 2014** at the Bell County Expo Center. We will have lots of fun things for the whole family at the event including a meal, silent auction, live auction, vendors, and even have games. We will also have a drawing for 20 guns, binoculars, hunting equipment, t-shirts for sale and lots of other fun prizes. For the young people, we have games and activities and even a cake walk. A live auction of outdoor items will take place that evening as well as a silent auction with the hunter in mind.

We need our 4-H members to sell tickets to the event. Your club manager will be asking each of you to participate and we want you to know that we utilize the funds raised for the total Bell County 4-H program....which includes you! We are able to help offset the costs of many events, camps, livestock supplies, workshops, contests, and leadership activities through these funds. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call the Extension Office and visit with Micah about the event. All your tickets should be turned in to your club manager before October 15th. **Club managers will have to turn in tickets on September 22-24. (Tickets are available through your club manager starting NOW!)**

If you would like to help with the Hunter's Spectacular, we are looking for adult and youth volunteers. Please fill out the doodle to volunteer for an event: <http://doodle.com/99xvxkyzb6pm4gqh> (We MUST have at least 1 adult at each booth)

Lamb & Goat Showmanship Classes!!!

(starting **August 17**)

Sunday's from 1pm-4pm

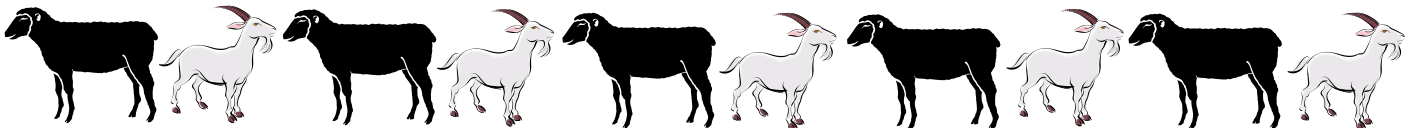
*****FREE of Charge*****

Learn all types of showmanship skills.

Experience for as many as 5 years with helping kids!

For more information please call:

Lacee Kight at: (254)-247-7911



Leaders 4 Life Workshop

Have you ever wondered what it means when someone states "Previous question" in a meeting? How about "Point of order," "Germane," "Question of privilege, or " Divide the question?" Come find out at the Leaders 4 Life (L4L) Workshop on **September 6th** from 9-12 at the Ronald McDonald House (RMH) in Temple. Admission to this workshop is going to be two vanilla scented air fresheners (solid or glade plug-in refills) which will be donated to the RMH pantry. In addition, we will fix a meal for the residents at RMH for that evening.

FCS Project Leader Training

Date: **September 13, 2014**

Time: **1:30pm-4:00pm**

Place: Immanuel Lutheran (Ave H and 43rd Street)

RSVP: **September 10, 2014**

Cost: FREE/Take your lessons back to your club!

Bell County 4-H will be holding a FCS Project Training for all 4-H Club Leaders and Teen Leaders. This is open to ALL 4-H parents and teens ages 14 and up who would like to learn about the FCS projects and bring them back to their clubs to teach others.

Here are the areas to cover at the workshop:

- Food and Nutrition
- Clothing and Textiles
- Consumer Education
- Family Life
- Health
- Housing and Home Environment
- Safety
- Additional areas to be covered:
- Photography
- Leaders for Life
- Public Speaking

Each project area will cover the description of the project and contests involved. Each topic will be 15 minutes long approximately.

Major Show Broilers

4-H members who plan to show broilers at San Antonio, Houston or Austin or roasters at the Star of Texas Fair in Austin must order no later than **September 9, 2014**. The minimum order is 25 birds per exhibitor. You may order a maximum of 75 birds per exhibitor and you must order in multiples of 25. Families cannot order one set of birds (75) for multiple children. Each exhibitor must select and exhibit their pen of 3 from the birds assigned to them. Contact Pam to order or with questions you may have.

Instagram

Do you have instagram and take photos of 4-H events? Now, you can tag your 4-H photos in instagram!



Instagram

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FIRST ANNUAL BELL COUNTY LIVESTOCK PROJECT WORKSHOP

When: Wednesday **September 10, 2014**

Where: Bell County Expo Center Exhibition Building

Time: FREE Dinner and booths will open at 5 PM, Program will begin at 6:00 PM and end approximately 8:00PM

Program will include a general session on Quality Counts program and the importance of showmanship as well as break-out sessions with specie specialists that will cover basics of show animal selection, feed/nutrition management, exercise programs, and many more helpful hints for both the experienced and inexperienced showman. Break-out sessions will be given by knowledgeable specialists within each of the following animal areas: sheep, goats, swine, and beef. This program will be beneficial for families that already have a livestock project or for those that are interested in starting a livestock project program within their family.

More details on event will be coming at a later date.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Heidi Prude at the extension office (254) 933-5305 or by e-mail heidi.prude@ag.tamu.edu

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!

2014-2015 Texas 4-H/FFA Heifer Validation UPDATE!

Texas is privileged to have the largest junior breeding heifer program in the nation. However, the sheer size of Texas, diversity in counties and beef breed associations has created some challenges for effectively and fairly managing the program. Because of numerous breed divisions offered, there are inconsistencies in how breed associations record purchase and transfer information. Heifer Validation is being initiated to ensure a level playing field for all junior breeding beef heifer exhibitors and to present a unified approach to verifying breeding beef heifer registration papers, ownership and physical possession. Further, history has proven collecting DNA hair samples during validation has added integrity to market animal divisions. Therefore, we are implementing a statewide electronic verification process in addition to requiring the physical validation of breeding beef heifers. An electronic verification process will ensure that ownership has been transferred by the respective ownership deadlines. The verification process along with the added physical validation component will allow for certifying exhibitor ownership, possession, heifer identification (tattoo/brand) far in advance of each respective major livestock show. Full and part-time personnel will be required to effectively review and validate all submitted heifer registration papers and to enforce rules during the participating major livestock shows.

2015 Spring Show Timeline

October 1, 2014- Heifer Verification Database is open to ASTs/CEAs

November 1, 2014- Ownership deadline for all spring shows

November 15, 2014- Registration Paper upload deadline and physical validation paperwork and DNA must be postmarked and sent to Texas 4-H Headquarters

December 19, 2014- Projected deadline for all papers to be reviewed by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

January 7, 2015- Projected deadline for Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service to notify all ineligible exhibitors and major livestock show officials for spring shows

Registration Paper Upload

Agriculture Science Teachers and County Extension Agents will be required to upload electronic copies of original registration papers for all junior breeding beef heifers to be exhibited or substituted at any of the aforementioned shows. ASTs and CEAs must adhere to the aforementioned deadlines and requirements. **Substitute entries will not be accepted at any of the Texas major livestock shows unless they are validated through the Texas 4-H/FFA Heifer Validation Program.**

On-site Registration Paper Confirmation and DNA Collection

Exhibitors for all of the aforementioned shows are required to bring the original registration paper to the show ring and to keep the original paper in their possession while exhibiting the heifer. The Texas 4-H/FFA Heifer Validation Program representative will be present to verify that the identification on placing heifers matches that of the original papers. DNA hair samples will be collected on breed and reserve breed champions. The Texas 4-H/FFA Heifer Validation Program representative will also have access to the database and may reference any paper electronically at the request of each individual participating show. Further, major livestock shows may request additional DNA comparisons on any validated heifer shown at their respective livestock show.

Validation Fee

A **\$10** fee will be required for each heifer validated for 2015 spring and fall shows.

Heifer Validation for Bell County will be **October 29, from 4pm-7pm at the Bell County Expo Center.**

County Council Meeting in September

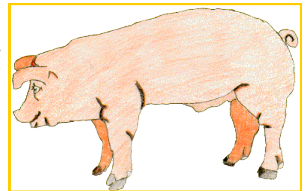
The Bell County 4-H County Council will meet on **September 23, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office Meeting Room.** Remember the council delegate and the president of the club are the two representatives from your club who come to the meeting and are voting delegates for the club. All 4-H members are welcome though! It will be a lot of fun, so come and learn about the county 4-H program and vote on exciting new 4-H opportunities. Stay tuned for the THEME in the next newsletter and what to wear to the meeting!

2014-2015 CALF SCRAMBLES

We will be receiving information within the next few weeks regarding calf scramble applications for major shows. If you are interested in scrambling at one of the major shows, please contact Heidi or Pam at the Extension Office no later than **September 5th** and we will send you the appropriate forms as they arrive. Most shows require participants to be at least 14 years old and 100 lbs and to not be beyond your eleventh grade year in school.

Major Show Barrow Tags

We need to know by 5:00 p.m. **Thursday, September 22, 2014** how many major show barrow tags you will need for the 2014 Major Show's. Tags will cost \$12.00 per tag. We do not need you to order tags for county-only pigs. Contact Pam at the Extension office at 254-933-5309.



Lamb, Goat,



Breeding Sheep & Goats Validation

4-H members who plan to show market lambs or market goats in 2015 must validate these animals.

Lamb and goat validation for Bell County exhibitors will be held

October 14th and 27th at the Bell County Expo Center. Exhibitors who plan to show in San Angelo in 2015 must have a Texas Bred Lamb. You must have your Texas Lamb Breeders Tag with you at validation, or the sheep will not be eligible for San Angelo.

October 14th—Academy FFA; Bartlett FFA; Belton FFA; Ellison FFA; Harker Heights FFA; Killeen Career Center; Killeen 4-H/FFA; Maxdale 4-H; Salado 4-H/FFA; Temple FFA; Shoemaker FFA; Tigertown 4-H; Trimmier 4-H; Stampede Creek 4-H

October 27th—Hares & Hounds 4-H; Bell 4-H Horse; 4His Glory 4-H; Holland 4-H/FFA; Oenaville 4-H; Rogers 4-H/FFA, Troy 4-H/FFA

Validation Time for the above dates is: **5:00 to 8:00 p.m. each night**

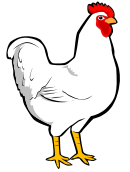
**Cost: \$12.00 for each State animal and \$5.00 for each County animal,
(If you validate for State it covers BCYF also)**

All Breeding Sheep & Breeding Goats Must be Validated



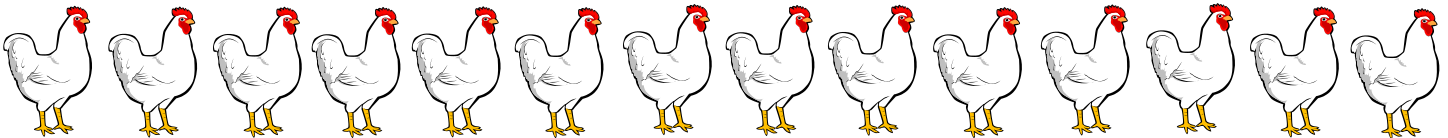
2014 County Broilers

Deadline for ordering Broilers for the Bell County Youth Fair is **November 3, 2014**. The maximum order allowed per exhibitor is 50 birds and the cost is \$43.00 per order of 25 birds. The birds will arrive on **December 17, 2014** and can be picked up between 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office.



BCYF COUNTY ROASTER ORDERS

Deadline for ordering Roasters for the Bell County Youth Fair is **Wednesday, October 1, 2014**. The maximum order allowed per exhibitor is 25 birds and the cost is \$43.00 per order of 25 birds. The birds will arrive on **November 12, 2014** and can be picked up between 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office.



Major Livestock Show Sign-Up

The 2015 Major Show (Ft. Worth; San Antonio; San Angelo; Star of Texas; Houston) season is not far off and sign-up dates have been set. We will only have 2 days for sign-up; **Tuesday, November 10th & Wednesday, November 17, 2014 at the Extension Office in Belton**. Both nights sign-up time will be from **4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.** These are the only two nights and times we will accept entries. Forms may be picked up in late October from the Extension Office, but can only be turned in on one of the nights listed above. Questions? Call Heidi or Pam @ 254-933-5305. 4-H members must obtain Quality Counts verification online before being allowed to enter major shows!

4-H Open House



4-H Open House will be held September 9th from 5:30-8pm at the Bell County Expo Assembly Hall.

The Bell County 4-H Ambassadors and the Open House Committee will be hosting a 4-H Open House to recruit new 4-H members. 4-H members and children from the public can come to the Open House and learn about all the projects and activities in 4-H. Current 4-H members are welcome to come and learn about new projects offered in the county. There will be Bell County 4-H members stationed at booths and you will have the opportunity to talk to them about their project and all types of activities (i.e. 4-H Camp; Leadership Lab; Congress...).

We will also be having sessions again to learn more about projects such as: Fashion Show, Food Challenge, Leaders 4 Life, Dance Demo, Nutritional Quiz Bowl.

We look forward to seeing you on September 9th and feel free to contact the Bell County Extension Office at 254-933-5305 with any questions you may have!

If you are having a booth, booths can be set up by 4:00pm and no later than 5:00pm.

COMMUNITY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The V.I.P. Support Group of Temple is having their sixteenth annual "Come Walk In My Shoes" event on Saturday, October 11th, from 1-4pm on the 3rd floor of the Temple Public Library. They are looking for volunteers to help them with this special event. This is a great community service opportunity for senior 4-H members (ages 14-18). If you are interested, please email Dawn Brown at brown4h@ymail.com by September 30th.

Youth Volunteers Needed

Clover Kids are looking for 4-Hers to help them with their meetings and events. This is a great opportunity to earn youth leadership experience. If you would like to help with a meeting or event, please email Dawn Brown at bc4hcloverkids@yahoo.com.

County/District Contests:

***= Tentative Dates**

Contest/Event	County	County Deadline	District
District Gold Star Banquet	n/a	September 29, 2014	<u>Monday, October 20, 2014*</u> Barfield Drawing Room Baylor University, Waco
District Fashion Show & Fashion Storyboard District Council Officer Meeting	TBA Option 1: October 25, 2014 (Temple CAC) Option 2: October 23, 2014 Abiding Savior, Killeen	October 17, 2015	Tuesday, November 18, 2014 Bell County Expo Center, Belton
Duds to Dazzle	Same as County Fashion Show	October 17, 2015	Tuesday, November 18, 2014 Bell County Expo Center, Belton
Holiday Classic	n/a	n/a	November 8-9, 2014 Bell County Expo Center, Belton
District Food Challenge District Food Show	November 1, 2015 CTCS, Temple	October 20, 2014	Wednesday, December 10, 2014 Bell County Expo Center, Belton
Ag Product Identification Contest	n/a	n/a	<u>Wednesday, December 10, 2014*</u> <u>Bell County Expo Center, Belton*</u>
District Consumer Decision Making	January 5, 2015 CEO	n/a	Saturday, March 7, 2015 MCC Emergency Services Education Center, Waco
District Nutrition Quiz Bowl	n/a	n/a	<u>Saturday, March 7, 2015*</u> <u>MCC Emergency Services Education Center, Waco*</u>
District Photography Contest	TBA	TBA	Spring 2015
District Horse Judging	n/a	n/a	Saturday, April 11, 2015 TAMU, College Station
District Roundup	March 28, 2015 First United Methodist Church of Belton	March 9, 2015	Saturday, April 18, 2015 Meridian ISD
Multi-District Contests (Livestock, Meat, Soil)	n/a	n/a	Saturday, April 25, 2015 TAMU, College Station
District Leaders 4 Life Skillathon	n/a	n/a	Thursday, May 30, 2015 First United Methodist Church of Belton
District Rifle Contest	n/a	n/a	<u>Saturday, May 2, 2015*</u> <u>Leon County Gun Club*</u>
District Horse Show	n/a	May 15, 2015	June 15-16, 2015 Bell County Expo Center, Belton
District Leadership Lab & Officer Elections	n/a	May 29, 2015	June 24-26, 2015 Texas 4-H Conference Center, Brownwood
District Recordbook Judging	June 19, 2015	June 17, 2015	Thursday, July 9, 2015 Gatesville

Club Officer Training

September 17th — 6:30pm-8pm—Bell County Extension Office Meeting Room

The Club Officer training is open to all club officers. We will be learning about what each club officer position does and then learn how to run a club meeting. It should be fun and entertaining!

Please call the Extension Office to let us know what club you are from and how many members from your club are coming.

Youth Advisory Board

Do you want to make a difference in your community? Do you want to address issues that involve youth? Do you want to make changes to the 4-H program?

The Youth Advisory Board is open to all 4-H and non 4-H members from ages 12-19. We will be having our first meeting of the year on **September 22nd** at 6pm, at the CEO.

Please come and help us make a difference!!!

Healthy Lifestyles Advisory Board Meeting

Are you interesting in all things healthy? Would you like the opportunity promote the purpose and goals of the 4-H healthy lifestyles program; Empower youth and volunteers by giving them the opportunity to provide leadership and oversight to the following 4-H projects: Food and Nutrition, Health, and Safety; Coordinate events that will provide learning opportunities for the development of leadership and effective citizenship related to the healthy lifestyles projects; or Provide educational experiences that will enable 4-H members across the county to become knowledgeable and skilled in the healthy lifestyles subject matter? If you said yes to any of these then WE WANT YOU!! If you would like to be part of the Healthy Lifestyles Advisory Board, our first meeting will be on **September 11, 2014** at 6pm at the CEO.

Duds to Dazzle Contest/Project Meetings

Duds to Dazzle is brand new contest in the fall! The contest is much like food challenge if you are aware of that contest. If not, you are given a piece of fabric or item (ie tshirt, jeans, etc) and you have to repurpose it with the kit you are provided along with a FUN sewing closet provided. We will be having 3 meetings to prepare for contest. If you are interested in competing/participating in the contest, please come to our project meetings which will be held on:

September 29- CEO Meeting Room, 6pm

October 6- CEO Meeting Room, 6pm

October 16- CEO Meeting Room, 7pm

One Day 4-H

One Day 4-H is till tentative but will be **October 18th** date! We hope to have another teen safe driving event and all youth are welcome to come and help with the event!

If you do plan to attend, please make arrangements to buy your One Day T-Shirt by **September 9th**!!!!!!

ONE DAY 4-H
What can you do in one day?

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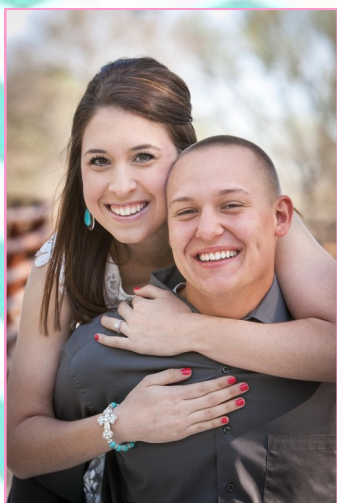
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Congratulations Rhettlee!!



Rhettlee is getting married in September! Along with that is moving along to bigger and better things! August 29th will also be her last day! We wish her and Clayton the best in their lives and wish them a great wedding! Congratulations and we will miss you greatly!!!



Bell County 4-H Council 2014-2015 Information



Council Meetings

Purpose of County Council - The purpose of County Council is for 4-H members from each club to come and share what they are doing in their club and get ideas from other clubs on activities and help plan county wide activities.

TIME: 6:30 PM
LOCATION: CEO

MONTHS & DATES	THEMES <i>(costume contest)</i>	PROGRAMS	DISCUSSION TOPICS <i>(communication between clubs and council)</i>
September 23 <i>Tuesday</i>	Camo - Hunting	Hunting / Shooting Sports Safety	Select County Community Service Project
November 19 <i>Wednesday</i>	Hillbilly	Safety	What do you want to know about how to keep a meeting on track
January 7 <i>Wednesday</i>	Bling	In The Show Ring	What do you want to know about how to get ready for the show
March 30 <i>Monday</i>	20's	4-H Awards and Recordbooks	What do you want to know about 4-H Awards and Recordbooks
May 6 <i>Wednesday</i>	Green Out	Council Officer Elections	Summer Fair

Council Community Service Projects

(See 4-H Newsletter for more information about each project)

MONTHS & DATES	COMMUNITY SERVICE
October 18	One Day 4-H
December 20	Christmas Day Out
February 28	Ronald McDonald House Chores and Single Serving Food Drive
April 11	Adopt a Widow

Texas 4-H CONNECT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Access the 4-H CONNECT on-line system at: <https://texas.4honline.com/>
2. **New Members:** Select [I need to set up a profile].
Returning Members: Select [I have a profile] or [I forgot my password].
Contact County Extension Office for resetting assistance.
3. **New Members:** Select Adult or Youth from the drop down menu and click [Add Member].
Returning Members: Click [Edit] to the right of the inactive member's profile.
4. Once all profile information is current and correct under the Personal Information, Additional Information, Health Form, and Participation areas of enrollment continue to the Invoice page.
5. Review your invoice to ensure that the participation fee has been charged and it is correct. If you have been awarded an award certificate or a scholarship to cover your participation fee, enter the award code in the award code box. Once information has been reviewed, click continue to the Payment screen.
6. **New Members:** If you are new to 4-H, you can add your credit card payment information to 4-H CONNECT and it will be securely stored. Click the orange [Add New Credit Card] link if paying with credit card or select the county club check option.
Returning Members: If the credit card on file has been updated you will need to remove it and add the credit card again using the new information.
7. Select the appropriate method of payment by clicking on the correct button, then click [Select Payment Method.]
8. On the "Confirm page" each person will be required to click the [Pay By Computer Terms and Conditions]. Click [Submit Enrollment]
9. Once an enrollment (new member) or re-enrollment (returning member) has been submitted, it is sent to the county office for review and approval. Once approved and paid for, an email confirmation will be sent to the family email address. Payment by 4-H Check can take up to 2 weeks to process. An active membership status **WILL NOT** be granted until participation fees have been received and marked as paid.



4HConnect Instruction pages can be found online at <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/connect>

NEW MEMBERS

- Set up **only one (1) FAMILY profile household on 4-H CONNECT.**
- Write down and place in a secure location the email address and password for the account. Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance in resetting the account.
- Add individual youth and adult profiles (members) in your family profile. Adult/Youth and family profiles must be entered for an enrollment to be reviewed and accepted.

RETURNING MEMBERS

- **DO NOT** establish another family or member profile on 4-H CONNECT if you already have one in the system.
 - Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance with the email or password if forgotten.
 - When you access your profile to re-enroll **REVIEW YOUR PROFILE VERY CAREFULLY.** Incorrect information can create problems for you, your family, and the Extension Office when trying to communicate, accessing appropriate fees, acquiring school absences, etc.



**Bell County 4-H
Clover Kids
2014-2015
Information**



MONTHS & DATES	TIME	PROGRAM	4-H PROJECT RELATED
September 20	2-4pm	4-H 101	4-H Basics
October 18	2-4pm	V.I.P.	Character Education
November 15	2-4pm	Watch It Grow	Horticulture
December 13	2-4pm	Clover Shirts	Clothing and Textiles
January 17	2-4pm	Working 4-Legged Animals	Livestock
February 21	2-4pm	Time to Get Hands On!	Wood Science
March 21	2-4pm	Let's Have Fun With Food	Food and Nutrition
April 11	2-4pm	Ready, Aim, Fire	Shooting Sports
May 30	10am-?pm	Clover Kids Fair	All Projects
June 27	2-4pm	Clover Kids Summer Camp	All Projects
July 4	9:30-12pm	Bell County July 4 th Parade	Recreation
August 22	6-8pm	Awards and Recognition Banquet	All Projects

Location: Central Texas Christian School
4141 West FM 93, Temple

BCYF RULES

Below are the new changes regarding BCYF. Please make sure you have a sign in sheet at each meeting and announce to all members to sign in before, during, and after the meeting.

The BCYF has a NEW website in which everything will be posted including the new fair book, entry forms, superintendent's names and phone numbers, score sheets, and other information:

<http://agrillife.org/bellctyouthfair/>

- You **MUST** attend 2 meetings to participate in the BCYF. You MUST sign in on the sign in sheets for it to count.
- 2 meetings will be allowed from **August 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014** this year. No meetings will be allowed in January to use for the 2 meeting rule.
- All 4-H members **MUST** be enrolled by **October 31, 2014** to participate in the BCYF. However, the fee will go up after October 31st so do it quickly.
- Forms are not available until **January 1st**
- Homeschool Eligibility deadline: **January 16, 2015**. All Homeschool students must fill out an eligibility form and turn it in by the above deadline.



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