

June 2022 Focus

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Congratulations Newly Elected 2022-2023

Bell County Council Officers!

President— Emma Canales

1st Vice— Kaylee Eaton

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Secretary—Keeley Ham

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Parliamentarian— Jordan Candelas

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Congratulations to the Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship

Recipients!

Joseph Candelas

Emily Dague

Jessalyn Payne

Elisa Ranly

Casin Sellears

Sarah Wood

Congratulations to the Bell County 4-H Scholarship Recipients!

Emily Dague

Mackenzie Nowell

Jessalyn Payne

Elisa Ranly

**Good luck to all of our
members competing at
Texas 4-H Round Up
in June!**



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We would like to welcome Kyle Coward as our new Bell County AgriLife Extension Intern. Kyle graduated with his associates from Clarendon College this spring where he was a member of the Livestock Judging Team. He will be continuing his livestock judging career at Texas Tech University in the fall while pursuing a degree in animal science. In his 10 year 4-H career Kyle has gained a plethora of 4-H and agriculture knowledge of his own and has been a well-known, distinguished leader throughout his home county, District 8, and Texas 4-H.



County Council & Ambassadors



2022-2023 Bell County 4-H Ambassadors Applications

The 4-H Ambassador Program aims to project a clear and accurate image of the Texas and Bell County 4-H Program. They help older youth develop leadership and communication skills, help the public understand the full scope of the 4-H program, and recruit new members from diverse backgrounds. Bell County 4-H Members must meet the following requirements to be considered for selection as a Bell County 4-H Ambassador: Be at least 14 years of age as of August 31st on the year of application. **Submit a complete application, due on June 3, 2022.** A formal interview will be given after all applications have been submitted. Members will be notified for interview times. Interviews will be formal dress.

RENEWAL OF AMBASSADORS:

Meet all activity requirements and minimum points by the **application deadline, June 3, 2022**, of the current 4-H year to be considered for renewal. (Recordbook is also a requirement and is due **June 3, 2022**)

Please turn in point sheets with renewal application!

For applications go to: <http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-clubs-and-councils/ambassadors/>

County Council Officer Training

The Mandatory County Council Officer Training will take place sometime this summer! This will be at the Bell CEO from 9:00 am—12:00 pm. Bring your calendar and community service ideas. There is not a good date that works for everyone so check your email and complete the doodle poll!

Bell County Ambassador Training

The Mandatory Bell County 4-H Ambassador Training will take place sometime this summer. There is not a good date that works for everyone so check your email and complete the google doc!

4-H Club Managers & Volunteers

4-H Club Chartering

Deadline: June 17, 2022

Club Managers will be submitting their club information either on 4-H Online or to Sheryl. You should have received an e-mail from Sheryl with the Charter Packet attached. Please don't hesitate to ask questions if you need help.

Membership Advisory Board Meeting

When: August 23, 2022

Where: CEO

Time: 6:00 pm

This meeting is open to all parents and leaders! We encourage all Club Managers to attend and give their opinions on the Bell County 4-H program.

Upcoming Events

Bell County 4-H Awards Banquet

The annual 4-H Banquet is set for **Tuesday, August 2, 2022** at the Bell County Expo Special Events Room. We will also need pictures for the General 4-H slideshow. Please send any pictures from your club activities or 4-H contests to Sheryl.Long@ag.tamu.edu.

Please RSVP to sbarreras@ag.tamu.edu NO LATER THAN July 22nd!

Ag Product Id

Congratulations to all the team members who competed in Ag Product ID contests this year. You brought home ribbons, banners and buckles, and cash from the different contests we participated in - WELL DONE! A special GOOD LUCK! to the Senior Ag Product ID Team competing at the State 4-H Round-Up contest on June 7th.

Contest information and practice dates for the upcoming year will be posted in the monthly newsletter. Looking forward to starting back up in the fall.

If you are interested in participating in this contest, please contact Michael Canales at 254-541-6293 or guajeman1@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events

Clover Kid Information

Clover Kids Fair

Saturday, June 18, 2022

First United Methodist Church - Family Life Center

205 E 3rd Avenue, Belton

More information and entry form is on the Bell County 4-H Clover Kids website.

Entry form deadline is Friday, June 10, 2022

Clover Kids Recordbooks

Deadline date is Friday, July 8, 2022 by 5pm

Drop off at the Bell County 4-H County Extension Office

1605 N. Main, Room 102, Belton

More information and forms are on the Bell County 4-H Clover Kids website.

A Clover Kids Recordbook must be turned in for a Clover Kid to receive an award at the Bell County 4-H Awards Banquet on August 2, 2022.

Clover Kids Summer Camp

Saturday, July 16, 2022 at 1pm

First United Methodist Church - Family Life Center

205 E 3rd Avenue, Belton

For more information, contact Dawn Brown at bc4hcloverkids@yahoo.com.

Bell County Record Books

Due: June 3, 2022 to the CEO

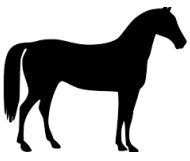
Where: CEO by 5pm

We will trade record books with Williamson County on , Friday, **June 17th** for those who want to help us judge. We will be judging Williamson County books in Bell County while they judge our books in Williamson County.

District 8 Record Books will be judged on **July 7th** in McLennan County.

Email Sheryl.Long@ag.tamu.edu to sign up to help judge!





Livestock Project News



June Livestock Validation Dates & Reminders

2022 State Fair of Texas Sheep & Goat Validation

Thursday, June 16th from 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM at the Bell County Extension Office

- All Market Lambs and Goats, Wether/Commercial Dams and Does, and all Breeding Sheep and Goats will need to be validated.
- Roll-Over Breeding Sheep & Goat Validation program: Once validated, Breeding Sheep and Goat projects will be eligible for 3 years unless a change in ownership occurs. Any breeding animal validated during the Fall 2021 validation period is eligible to be exhibited by that exhibitor through the Fall 2024 show season. If ownership changes, the animal must be revalidated.
- Registered Sheep and Goat Exhibitors: The deadline for ownership, transfer, and registration for is June 30, 2022. A color PDF copy of the original registration papers must be emailed to Whitney.Ingram@ag.tamu.edu by June 30, 2022.

2022 State Fair of Texas & Heart O' Texas Swine Validation

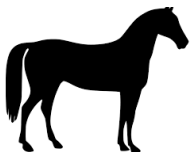
Monday, June 27th scheduled at School and Exhibitor Barns

- All Market Barrows, Registered Gilts, and Crossbred Gilts will need to be validated.
- Registered Gilt Exhibitors: A color PDF copy of the original registration papers must be emailed to Whitney.Ingram@ag.tamu.edu by June 30, 2022.
- Any pig (barrow or gilt) entering the holding/sift pen without a state validation tag will be disqualified and sent to the floor truck.

2023 BCYF & 2022-2023 Major Show Cattle Validation

Tuesday, June 28th from 7:00 – 10:00 AM and 4:00 – 6:00 PM at the Bell County EXPO

- All Market Steers for BCYF and/or Major Shows must be validated at this time. There will be a second validation for heifers only in the Fall of 2022.
- Registered Heifer Exhibitors: The deadline for ownership, transfer, and registration for is June 30, 2022. A color PDF copy of the original registration papers must be emailed to Whitney.Ingram@ag.tamu.edu by June 30, 2022.



Livestock Project News



District 8 4-H Horse Show

Date: June 13-14, 2022

Location: Bell County Expo

Entry Deadline: May 20, 2022 on 4-H Online

Stalls are available at an estimated \$20.00 per night on a first-come first-serve basis. **Stall fees will be paid to the Expo Center staff at time of arrival. Stalls will not be available on Sunday. Stalls will be available starting at 8:00 a.m. through 10:00 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 2022.**

RV Hookups are available at a cost per night.

Contact Sheryl or Whitney if you have any questions.

<http://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/horse-show/>

Horse Club Events

June

1-3- County Record books due
3: Drill Team practice
3-5: TAMU Horse Judging Camp
6: Drill Team practice
8: Drill Team practice
10-11: Drill Team - 3C Rodeo
13-14: District Horse Show
18: Holland Cornfest Parade
20: Drill Team practice
27: Drill Team practice
29-30: TAMU clinic

July

2: Drill Team practice (AM)??
2-3: Drill Team- Belton Rodeo 4: Belton 4th of July Parade 7: District record book judging 11: Drill Team practice
14: Drill Team practice
15-17: Ribbon worker fundraiser
18: Drill Team practice
21: Drill Team practice

August

13-14: Campout / Trail Ride clinic

Bell-Milam Youth Agribusiness Tour

Save the date Wednesday, July 13th for the 2022 Bell-Milam Youth Agribusiness Tour! 2022 is the 5th year of our annual tour sponsored by Capital Farm Credit! Each of the new stops will feature a facet of agricultural production along with interactive learning. Youth will have the opportunity to connect with local producers and see the impact of agriculture from many perspectives. Although we are still confirming our final plans, the 2022 tour will include pecan, beef, sheep, and row crop production.

To sign up for the tour, participants must be a member of Bell or Milam County 4-H and in 6th - 12th grade. The first ten applicants from each county will be accepted. Youth must have an interest in production agriculture. Transportation and meals will be provided for all participants at no cost by our tour sponsors. If you would like more information about this tour when it is released, please email Whitney.Ingram@ag.tamu.edu to be added to the mailing list!



Awards

ADULT LEADER AWARDS

Bell County 4-H volunteer leaders and Bell County 4-H County Council will solicit nominations and vote to select two individuals to be recognized at the Annual 4-H Banquet for “Distinguished Service.” One will be chosen by the MAB and one chosen by 4-H members. 4-H volunteer leaders who are chosen for this award include outstanding club managers, leaders, project leaders, workshop leaders and volunteer leaders who go above and beyond their leader capabilities.

OUTSTANDING LEADER AWARD- The Outstanding Leader Award chosen from the 4-H member requires an essay no longer than 1 page. **The ESSAYS ARE DUE June 3, 2022!** The essay should include the following:

Name of Person Making Nomination

Leader Nominated

Date

Why do you think this leader is an outstanding leader?

What does this leader do that is outstanding?

How has this leader helped you?

How has this leader helped others?

Nominations should be emailed to Sheryl.Long@ag.tamu.edu

Bell County 4-H Awards

All 4-H members applying for awards (Gold, Silver or Bronze Star; Rookie, Honor Roll, All-Star Letterman; Danforth, Senior Awards Outstanding Community Service, must submit the appropriate paperwork and applications by **June 3, 2022**. Record books for county competition will be due on **June 3, 2022**.

Awards age based on 4-H Grade as of August 31, 2021

Graduating seniors for the 2022 year, who are members of 4-H, may apply to receive a Senior Award, to be presented at the Bell County 4-H Awards Banquet. Seniors must have been active and meet the requirements listed on the application.

Other descriptions and awards information is available on the Bell County 4-H Website by going to:

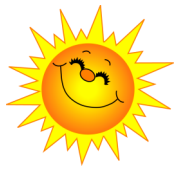
<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-activities/4-h-awards/>

4-H Award Interviews

When: June 15, 2022

Where: CEO

We will schedule interview times for those members that applied to receive an award. Interviews will take place before 5:00 pm. Once applications are all submitted, you will be emailed a google doc to sign up for your time slot.



Summer Fun Activities



District 8 Leadership Lab (Surge)

For those members that have registered for this camp, we will be traveling to camp in a rental van!

Tentative Travel Schedule:

June 21—Meet at the CEO between 10:30-11:00 am

Eat lunch in Burnet, arrive at camp by 2:00 pm (ish)

June 23—Depart from camp around 11:30 am. Return to CEO no later than 2:00 pm.

Michael Canales has graciously volunteered to serve as the adult chaperone. I expect all participants to be on their best behavior for Mr. Canales and represent Bell County 4-H well. You WILL respect all adults and follow all dress code requirements.

Texas 4-H Conference Center Summer Camps @ Brownwood

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| County Camp I | June 15-18 | \$250/Y, \$135/A |
| Horizons Camp I | June 21-24 | \$250/Y, \$135/A |
| Horizons Camp II | June 26-29 | \$300/Y, \$160/A |
| County Camp II | July 3-6 | \$250/Y, \$135/A |
| County Camp III | July 6-8 | \$200/Y, \$110/A |
| Prime Time I | July 10-13 | \$250/Y, \$135/A |
| Prime Time II | July 13-16 | \$250/Y, \$135/A |

To register, go to Texas4Hcenter.tamu.edu website "Camps" page and click on REGISTER NOW button.

- 3rd Grade and up
 - All camp enrollment based on grade in 2021-2022 school year
 - 4-H membership is NOT required
 - Pay deposit by June 14th or pay full amount
 - Late fee \$50
 - All adult volunteers must enroll as a 4-H volunteer, have verified background check, and complete child protection training in 4-H Connect prior to camp.
- The Bell County 4-H program WILL NOT be providing chaperones for any of the camps listed above. If your child wants to attend camp, either the parent or another approved 4-H volunteer must attend with the child.**



Summer Fun Activities



~Summer Workshop Guidelines~

- Please make sure the participants arrive on time
- Participants must be picked up promptly at the conclusion of the workshop
- Please adhere to RSVP deadlines

Photography Workshop “Off the Auto”

When: Saturday, August 6 **Where:** Bell CEO Meeting Room

Time: 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Basic composition class then dive into the different modes! Participants should bring their camera, battery, and SD or media card. You must bring your own sack lunch, no lunch will be provided. Open to Junior, Intermediate and Senior aged 4-H members.

Must RSVP to sbarreras@ag.tamu.edu by Monday, August 1st.

Healthier Me Summer Day Camp

When: Friday, July 20 **Where:** Bell CEO Meeting Room

Time: 10:00 am—3:00 pm

Activities include: ZUMBA, beauty tips, hygiene, stop the bleed and smoothie making! Wear comfortable clothes, tennis shoes, bring a towel and a sack lunch.

Open to the first 40 to sign up. Must RSVP to sbarreras@ag.tamu.edu by July 11th.

Summer Clothing Blast

When: July 7 & 8 **Where:** Bell CEO Meeting Room

Time: TBD

Save the date! More information to come soon!

Quilt Piecing Workshop

When: June 16 **Where:** Bell CEO Meeting Room

Time: 1:00 pm—???

More information coming soon! Jammie Payne will be leading this workshop. Email your RSVP by July 10th to Scarlot.Barreras@ag.tamu.edu. We will email more information about this workshop to those that sign up.

Important Dates

June 2022

June 1: BCYF & Major Livestock Show Turkeys
June 2: Hunter's Spectacular Meeting
June 3: BC 4-H Ambassador Applications Due
June 3: Adult Leader Awards Due
June 3: Bell County 4-H Awards App Due
June 3: Bell County Recordbooks due
June 6-9: TX 4-H Round Up
June 13-14: D8 4-H Horse Show, Belton
June 15: 4-H Awards Interviews
June 16: Quilt Piecing Workshop
June 16: State Fair Lamb & Goat Validation
June 17: County Recordbook Judging
June 17: 4-H Club Chartering Deadline
June 18: Clover Kids Fair
June 21-23: D8 Leadership Lab, Burnet
June 27: State Fair of Texas & Heart O' Texas Swine Validation
June 28: 23 BCYF & 22-23 Major Show Cattle Validation

July 2022

July 7: District 8 Recordbook Judging
July 7-8: Summer Clothing Blast
July 8: Clover Kid Recordbooks Due
July 13: Bell/Milam Youth Ag Tour
July 16: Clover Kids Summer Camp
July 20: Healthier Me Summer Day Camp
July 22: Banquet RSVP Deadline

August 2022

August 2: Bell County 4-H Awards Banquet
August 6: Photography Workshop
August 23: MAB Meeting

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Everything will be posted on the Bell County 4-H website

<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/>