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SAN ANTONIO STOCK SHOW ELIGIBILITY FORM SUBMISSION DATE EXTENSION

Due to the winter storm, the deadline for submitting San Antonio eligibility forms will be moved to Friday February 3rd by 5:00pm.



Bexar County Master Wellness Volunteer Program (FLYER)

Master Wellness Volunteers leverage Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service's outreach and education related to health, nutrition, food safety, and family well-being in the communities where they live and work. If you are interested in joining the Bexar County Master Wellness

Volunteers see the flyer above and contact Samantha Villanueva for more information. Session 1 is tonight January 18th, but session recording will be available for those who cannot attend.



Bexar County Photography Contest Judges (SIGN-UP)

The Bexar County Photography Contest will be hosted virtually starting on March 13th. We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help us judge the contest entries, all entries will be sent to you in a google drive link where you can judge from the comfort of your own home! If you or someone you know would be interested, please contact Kevin Knapick at kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu. Note that sign-up may be completed without creating a google account.



Thank you for helping with the

Love Bugs!!!

Alya Trimble, Texas 4–K Fashion & Interior Ambassador











WE DID IT!!

BEXAR COUNTY MET THE GOAL!







BEXAR COUNTY 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Photo Submission Deadline: March 13, 2023 at 11:59pm via google forms

REGISTRATION: FREE

MUST BE REGISTERED BEXAR COUNTY 4-H MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE

UNLIMITED NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER YOUTH

Photo Submission and Contest Rules Link: https://forms.gle/qWy2KxAavAWvzUQZA

Judge Volunteer Link: https://forms.gle/bcxY64zZyKW2QagT7



- JAN 13-FEB 4 Fort Worth Stock Show **DEADLINE NOV 4**th Pg. 11
- JAN 25-FEB 19 San Angelo Stock Show **DEADLINE NOV 4**^{th –} Pg. 11
- FEB 1 District 10 4-H Photography Contest (4-H Online) **OPENS** Pg. 8
- FEB 9-12 Texas Elite Gilt Show **DEADLINE NOV 4**th Pg. 11
- FEB 9-26 San Antonio Stock Show **DEADLINE NOV 4**th Pg. 11
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- FEB 13 District 10 S.A.L.E. Horse Judging Contest
- FEB 15 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship **DEADLINE** Pg. 10
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- MAR 3 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Brownwood) LATE DEADLINE Pg. 14
- MAR 3-5 Texas 4-H ReFashion Retreat Camp (Brownwood) Registration DEADLINE Pg. 19
- MAR 4-5
 Texas 4-H Night at NASA
- MAR 8 CCS Inaugural Shooting Sports Benefit Shoot Pg. 14
- MAR 10-25 Rodeo Austin **DEADLINE NOV 4**th Pg. 11
- MAR 13 Bexar County Photography Contest **DEADLINE** Pg. 8
- MAR 18
 Bexar County Duds 2 Dazzle and Fashion Show (Save the Date)
- MAR 21 D-10 4-H Spring Roundup Registration DEADLINE
- MAR 24
 D-10 4-H Spring Roundup Registration LATE DEADLINE
- MAR 29 4-H Day at the Capital Pg. 16
- APR 8 Bexar County Project Fair (Save the Date)
- APR 10 2023 Guadalupe Co. GEAR Robotics Contest (Seguin, TX) DEADLINE Pg. 20
- APR 15 2023 CORE Academy Registration **DEADLINE** Pg. 20
- APR 20 Jason Kreuger Memorial Scholarship **DEADLINE** Pg. 10



2022-2023 County – District – State CONTEST/EVENTS CALENDAR

*These calendars are subject to change.

- FEB 13 Horse Judging
- FEB 18 Consumer Decision Making
- FEB 24 District 10 Virtual Photography Contest
- MAR 13 Bexar County Photography Contest
- MAR 18 Bexar County Duds 2 Dazzle, Fashion Show, and Share the Fun
- APR 8 Bexar County 4-H Project Fair
- APR 2023 Meats Judging
- APR 18 Leaders 4 Life
- APR 19 Livestock Judging
- APR 20 Range/Pasture ID and Range Evaluation
- APR 20 Share the Fun
- APR 20 Wool and Mohair Judging
- APR 21 Soil Judging
- APR 21 Duds 2 Dazzle
- APR 21 Fashion Show and Natural Fibers
- APR 22 Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)
- APR 28 Virtual Fashion Storyboards
- JUN 5-8 Texas 4-H Roundup
- JUN 14-15 District 10 Horse Show
- JUL 13 District 10 Record Book Judging

District/State Contest Reimbursement Form

- 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; no longer automatically mailed. See details below:
- How: Please fill out and return the <u>Reimbursement Form</u> to <u>kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu</u>

2022 - 2023 DISTRICT 10 4-H CALENDAR

F/	ALL & WINTER DATES					
District 10	FALL Roundup - Kerrville, TX					
REGISTRATI	REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, Oct. 7, 2022					
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tuesday, Nev. 1, 2022						
	LATE REGISTRATION: Wed Fri. Nov 2-4, 2022					
Fall Roundup CONTEST DATES						
	Livestock & Horse Quiz Bowl					
Nov. 29, 2022	• Ed. Presentation &					
,	Public Speaking					
	Food Show					
Nov. 30, 2022	FCH Quiz Bowl					
	Entomology Judging					
Dec. 1, 2022	Food Challenge					
	t 10 4-H S.A.L.E. Contests					
**All 4-H members must submit Stock Show entry						
	heir County Office to compete in any ontest that is being held conjunction					
	Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo.					
	TRATION OPENS: January 2, 2023					
	TRATION DEADLINE Jan. 17, 2023					
	REGISTRATION: Jan. 18-20, 2023					
Feb. 13, 2023	Horse Judging					
Feb. 18, 2023	Consumer Decision Making					
District 10 4-	H VIRTUAL Photography Contest					
	ON OPENS: Wed., Feb. 1, 2023					
	N DEADLINE: Mon. Feb. 20, 2023					
LATE REGISTRA	TION: Tue-Wed. Feb 21-22, 2023					
Feb. 20, 2023	4HOnline Registration CLOSES					
Mar. 31, 2023	Photography Results Released					
Texas 4-H O	pportunity Scholarship Program					
APPLICATIONS	OPEN: Tue., Nov. 1, 2022					
FINAL DEADLIN	E: Feb. 15, 2023 @11:59 PM					

SPRING & SUMMER DATES

District 10 SPRI	NG Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX					
	N OPENS: Friday, March 3, 2023					
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 21, 2023						
LATE REGISTRATION: WedFri, Mar. 22-24, 2023						
Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES						
April 12, 2023	 Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX) 					
April 18, 2023	 Leaders 4 Life 					
April 19, 2023	 Livestock Judging 					
	 Range/Pasture ID & 					
April 20, 2023	Range Evaluation					
April 20, 2025	 Share the Fun 					
	 Wool & Mohair Judging 					
	 Soil Judging 					
April 21, 2023	 Duds 2 Dazzle 					
	 Fashion Show & Natural Fibers 					
April 22, 2023	• Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)					
April 28, 2023	 Virtual Fashion Storyboard 					
Virtual	Results Released					
	rse Show – Dripping Springs, TX					
	N OPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023					
REGISTRATION	DEADLINE: Tues. May 16, 2023					
	RATION: W-F, May 17-19, 2023					
	DATE: June 14-15, 2023					
	adership Lab – Brownwood, TX					
REGISTRATION OPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023						
EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 28, 2023						
LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 29-31, 2023						
EVENT DATE: June 21-23, 2023						
District 10 Record Book Judging – Location TBA						
REGISTRATION OPENS: Thurs., June 1, 2023						
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 27, 2023 LATE REGISTRATION: WedFri. June 28-30, 2023						
EVENT DATE: July 13, 2023						

<u>County deadlines may differ from district deadlines</u> <u>to allow county extension staff time to review</u> <u>and complete submissions</u>

2023 Texas 4-H Roundup Guide Posted

The 2023 Texas 4-H Roundup Guide has been updated and posted with most contest updates posted as well. Please review the changes that have been made to the 2023 Roundup. <u>Click here to access the guide and contest information.</u>

District 10 4-H Photography Contest – DEADLINE February 20th (RULES/GUIDELINES)

The District 10 4-H Photography Contest encourages self-expression and allows youth to demonstrate skills learned in photography, including the use of photographic equipment and the process of photographs. *NOTE: The District 10 4-H competition does not qualify Senior 4-H members for the Texas 4-H State Photography contest. State qualifications will come for your local County Photography contest.

NEW

Bexar County 4-H Photography Contest – DEADLINE March 13th (SUBMISSION LINK) (Rules/Guidelines)

Bexar 4-H members are welcome to submit their 4-H County photos into our annual County photography contest! Awards will be given to the 1st- 5th place winners in each age division and category. Seniors (9th-12th graders) who place 1st in a category will qualify for the State Photography contest (State Rules). All submission & judging of photos will be conducted ONLINE. Deadline for photos will be Monday, March 13th at 11:59 PM. *NOTE: The Bexar County competition qualifies Senior 4-H members for the Texas 4-H State Photography contest.

LOCAL 4-H EVENTS / TRAINING

4-H Training Request Form- PERSONAL CLUB TRAININGS AVAILABLE

• Information: If you are interested in having a 4-H staff member speak at your event/club meeting, please complete this <u>form</u> and submit it to <u>kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu</u> at least 3 weeks prior to the requested date. Please allow 3-5 business days for confirmation. Please contact us at 210-631-0400 with questions.

2022-2023 Upcoming Virtual/In-Person Trainings and Events				
County Council Meeting	3/16/23 @ 7:00 pm	3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 208	Agenda TBA	
County 4-H Ambassador Meeting	3/23/23 @ 7:00pm	VIRTUAL <u>TEAMS Link</u>	Agenda TBA	
County Council Meeting / County Officer Elections	5/18/23 @ 7:00 pm	3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 208	County Council officer elections for the 2023-2024 4-H year will be conducted.	
County 4-H Ambassador Meeting	5/25/23 @ 7:00 pm	VIRTUAL <u>TEAMS Link</u>	Agenda TBA	
County 4-H Ambassador and Council Officer End-of-Year Party	TBA TBA	ТВА	All ambassadors who complete their yearly requirements and County Council officers will be welcome to a party hosted by Kevin.	

*If your club has news or events they would like to see in our newsletter please email to kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu

Send Us Your Pictures

We would love to use pictures from your contests and events for flyers, brochures, and to recognize the kids' hard work in our newsletter. Email pictures to kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu

Academic Eligibility

As some of you already know, we are doing academic eligibility differently this year. ANY event/contest that your child participates in representing Bexar County 4-H MUST let us know in advance to request an academic eligibility form. We will complete the form and email it to the email address you have on your 4-H Online account. It will be your responsibility to get it to the school to be signed and return to us. This can be returned electronically to <u>kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu</u>. You will use that same form to turn in to your school attendance office for excused absences. Please call if you have any questions.



<u>Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarships –</u> <u>DEADLINE February 15th (SCHOLORSHIP PORTAL)</u>

The Texas 4-H Scholarship opened on November 1st. This scholarship is open to students who wish to pursue a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree from an accredited Texas college or university. Below are important dates to make note of:

2022 Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship Important Dates:

- November 1, 2022 Application will be available online
- February 15, 2023, by 11:59 PM Deadline to Apply
- April 28 April 30, 2023 Interviews in College Station
- May 2023 Award Notifications
- June 6-8, 2023 Scholarship Banquets in College Station



Bexar Agriculture & Natural Resource Committee Scholarship- DEADLINE March 15th (FLYER) (APPLICATION)

Bexar Agriculture & Natural Resource Committee Scholarship is \$1000 for 2023-2024 Academic Year for Agriculture Studies. Qualified applicants must be:

- A resident of Bexar County or attending school in Bexar County
- A currently graduating high school senior with at least a 3.0 GPA
- Attending a Texas college on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 hours/semester) for the 2023-2024 academic year
- Pursuing and Agriculture-related decree (i.e. Animal Science, Animal Nutrition, Ag Development, Ag Education, Ag Business, Veterinary Medicine, etc.)

Jason Kreuger Memorial Scholarship- DEADLINE April 20th (APPLICATION)

Active Senior 4-H/FFA members who are scheduled to graduate from High School in 2023 and have exhibited a steer in any Texas Steer Shows are welcome to apply for the Jason Kreuger Memorial Scholarship. Students must submit the following to be considered. Postmark deadline is 4/20/2023:

- Completed General Information sheet.
- Resume or Student Biography (note high school achievements, honors, awards, activities, extra-curricular, community service, and 4-H/FFA involvements)
- Applicant essay which details applicant's dreams, ambitions, and future educational goals. Not to exceed 300 words.
- Two letters of recommendation (not from a family member)



Livestock News & Events

If you have questions or need help with your projects feel free to contact <u>Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu</u>, office # 210-631-0400 or cell # 361-649-5836

2022-2023 Livestock Project Meetings					

*** PLEASE RSVP to <u>sam.womble@ag.tamu.edu</u> for all Project Training Events ***

Fort Worth Stock Show – January 13th-February 4th (DEADLINE November 4th)

San Angelo Stock Show – January 25th-February 19th (DEADLINE November 4th)

Texas Elite Gilt Show – February 9th-12th (DEADLINE November 4th)

Entries will be completed in our Bexar County Extension office with all other Major Show entries November 1-4th.

San Antonio Stock Show – February 9th-26th (DEADLINE November 4th)

Houston Livestock Show – February 28th – March 19th (DEADLINE November 4th)

Archery Contest and Young Guns Shooting Sports Contest registration will open on November 15th and will close on February 1st. Squadding will take place after entries close on February 1st. details on registration can be found <u>HERE</u>. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kevin Knapick at <u>kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu</u>.

Rodeo Austin – March 10th – 25th (DEADLINE November 4th)

Upcoming Livestock Programs, Clinics & Shows



Major Stock Show Validation Tattoo Information

This is a notice and a reminder to be diligent in checking cattle (steer and heifer) and sheep/goat tattoos. This includes both individual ID tattoos (breeding animals) and county number tattoos (market animals). The major shows **WILL** be checking all placing animals for tattoos for their respective required tattoos.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The majors have not been checking steer tattoos consistently in the past. Therefore, your families may not be accustomed to double-checking these prior to shows.

This is a reminder for ALL livestock exhibitor families to check tattoos and get them redone, if necessary, *before* the show. County-level state validation committees should be utilized to correct/replace tattoos that are not legible or absent.

All placing livestock that do not have a visible and/or legible tattoo will be disqualified at Texas major livestock shows. DNA collection will not be considered for tattoo discrepancies or the absence of tattoos.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Sam Womble or Kevin Knapick.

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Kevin Knapick, CEA 4-H & Youth Development kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu p: (210) 631-0400 c: (210) 446-9077

Horse News & Events



Upcoming Bexar County 4-H Open Horse Show Schedule (2022-2023)

Show Information: Upcoming show information is available on the <u>Bexar 4-H Horse Leaders Facebook page</u>. 4-H member competing for end of the year awards & prizes MUST complete an academic eligibility form to remain eligible for competitive awards! Check back soon for 2022-2023 season!

Texas 4-H Horse Show Rule Changes (Updated Rules)

The State 4-H Horse Show Committee has voted on several rule changes for the 2023 year.

The major changes include:

- 1. Ranch Cutting will be added as a class in the stock horse division. This class will not count towards high point in the division. Exhibitors can show in both cutting and ranch cutting. (pg. 87)
- 2. District qualification will be removed; however, for safety reasons, futurity exhibitors must participate in a district horse show, district educational clinic, or other equivalent event where futurity project is present. Participation will be verified by the county extension agent on the State 4-H Horse Show entry form. (pg. 9). This change allows more flexibility for district programs to offer targeted experiences that are tailored to local needs; and allows more flexibility for 4-H families.
- 3. State 4-H Horse Show entries will be open earlier beginning May 1 and will remain open until July 1.
- 4. Ownership requirement amendment: lease horses will be allowed. Official Texas 4-H Horse Lease agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and county extension agent. Lease period must include, at minimum, May 1st to August 31st of the current 4-H Year. The lease form must be uploaded to 4HOnline at validation. (pg. 7) This is a significant change for horse project eligibility in Texas which the committee expects will result in an increase in participation at the State 4-H Horse Show. However, the anticipated increase in participation at the state show was not the primary goal when considering this change. In fact, the State 4-H Horse Show has seen a 10.7% increase in participation over the past 4 years. The objective in allowing lease horses is to make the show more inclusive for young horse enthusiasts who may not have the opportunity for horse ownership yet.

*Official lease agreement is under review and will be made available on the State 4-H Horse Show webpage when finalized. Anticipated availability by Friday 2/3.



Access all shooting sports events, trainings, & contests here:

4-H Natural Resources Program Activity and Event Schedule - Google Docs

Coach the Coach Clinics

A Clinic for coaches, parents as well as youth shooters that want to learn how to coach or shoot better Trap and Trap Doubles.

- WHAT: Learn from an accomplished coach and shooter on how to coach and shoot better trap and trap doubles.
- WHERE: San Antonio Gun Club or I can travel to you.
- WHEN: Contact PD Parker for availability.
- BRING: Eyes, ears, gun, ammo.
- **COST:** \$100.00 per student, plus targets based on a 5-person minimum.

PD Parker is the General Manager of the San Antonio Gun Club with over 45 years of Trap competing and coaching experience. PD was a weapons instructor in the United States Air Force for 20 years and a member of the Air Force International Olympic Trap Team for 11 years until his retirement. His coaching credentials include, USA Shooting Certified Olympic Trap Coach, American Trap and Trap Doubles Coach, Level Two Sporting Clay Coach, 4-H Certified Coach, PD has an Associate degree in Instructor Technology. Club Phone: (210) 828-9860 Email: <u>Manager@sagunclub.com</u> Cell: (210) 748-5511



CCS invitational Benefit Shoot – DEADLINE March 1st (FLYER) (REGISTRATION)

Cornerstone Christian School will be hosting their inaugural benefit shoot on March 8th at the National Shooting Complex at 5931 Roft Rd. San Antonio, Texas. All interested shooters are encouraged to check out the flyer and registration links above.

Henderson County 4-H Shotgun Club, Whiz Bang (FLYER)

Our Henderson County 4-H Shotgun Club is hold not one but two whiz bangs! The whiz bangs will be held on April 14-15, 2023 in Frankston. Check out the flyer for more information and registration.

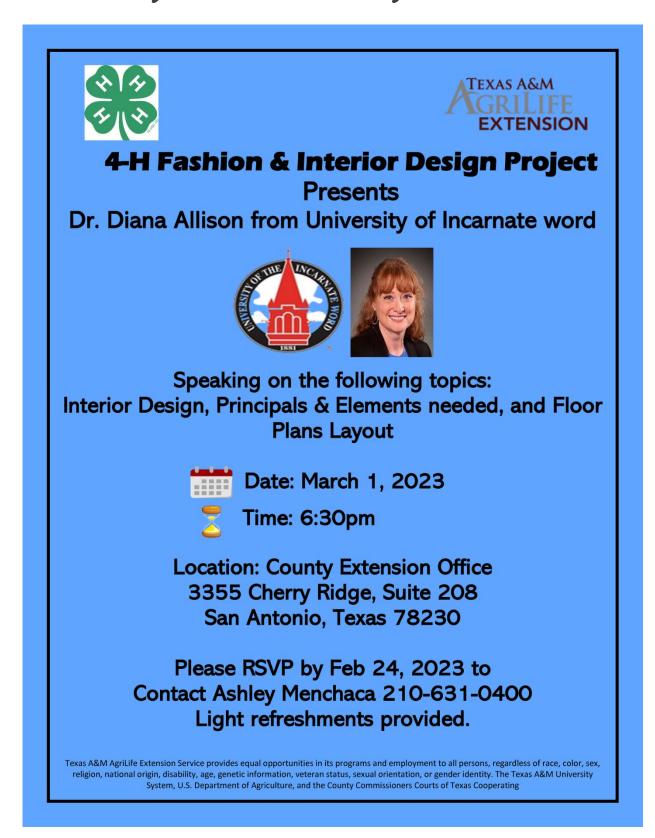
Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training (Brownwood, TX) – (FLYER)

DEADLINE February 18th

District 7 will host a 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training in Brownwood at the Texas 4-H Conference Center on Friday- March 10th and Saturday- March 11th. See <u>promotional letter</u> for important details. Additional information below:

- Training will start at 2PM on Friday (Check-In at 1PM) and conclude Saturday at ~2PM.
- The registration fee covers the training and meals. On-site lodging at the Texas 4-H Center is available for an additional fee. For registration/lodging questions, contact the Texas 4-H Conference Center at 325-784-5482.
- Participants must complete an online 4-H Green Injection Training; the link will be provided to registered participants. This online portion must be completed prior to arrival.
- Registration for this training is done through the Texas 4-H Conference Center Website <u>Texas 4-H Conference Center -</u> <u>Lake Brownwood, TX (tamu.edu)</u>, <u>NOT</u> 4-H Online All participants MUST have an active 4HOnline profile.
- > PLEASE NOTE: To receive coach certification at the end of the training, the participant MUST:
 - Attend the ENTIRE Training (Start to Finish)
 - Complete the Online Green Injection prior to training.
 - Have an active profile in 4-H Online with approved background check.

Family & Community Health Events





2023 Texas 4-H Dog Show T-shirt Contest – DEADLINE February 15th (FLYER)

See attached flyer for guidelines and entry instructions.

4-H Day at the Capitol – March 29th (FLYER)

The Texas 4-H Youth Development Program will once again host 4-H Day at the Capitol on Wednesday, March 29, 2023. This event is designed as a citizenship experience for 4-H members of all ages to learn more about the state legislative process, as well as meet their state representative and senator through an office visit. This event is being held during legislative sessions and other organizations/ groups will be at the Capitol on the same day, there will be a limited number of seats available. Registration will be held on 4HOnline, opening February 1st, 2023, at 12:00 PM (Noon) and will close on February 8, 2023 or when registration is full. Cost of participation is \$40.00 and will include lunch and a shirt. See attached flyer for more information.



2023 National 4-H Conference – April 14th-19th APPLICATION DEADLINE – December 22nd (4-H Online) (Flyer)

Mark your calendar for the 2023 National 4-H Conference, which will be held April 14-19 in person at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, Virginia, and online. Deemed "the Secretary's Conference," this Conference is the flagship youth development opportunity of USDA. Today, the Conference remains true to its original intent to develop the next generation of leaders while continuing to be future focused. The Conference brings together youth, volunteer leaders, county and state Extension staff, Land-grant University faculty and administrators, as well



as state and federal government officials from across the United States and its Territories. During the Conference, delegates will become familiar with the government and future career opportunities and share their voice with federal agencies and congressional committees. More information to follow.

Summer 2023 Texas 4-H is going Abroad (FLYER)

There is still time left to encourage your 4-Her's to be a part of this year's Global Citizenship Tour in Spain. The Global Citizenship Trip is planning to take place July 5th-12th, upon approval. Final travel dates will be announced two to three months before the tour. For more information see attached flyer, contact Megan Logan (megan.logan@ag.tamu.edu) or visit https://www.eftours.com/tour-website/2586572TK

Allergen-Free Baking Recipes for Kids

Just about everyone loves delicious baked goods, but some people are allergic to the standard gluten-based flour used in most recipes. These simple alternatives from Kristin Osika, the 2021 4-H Youth-in-Action Winner, leave out the gluten but pack all of the scrumptious taste. <u>Get started by clicking here.</u>

<u>Slingshot Challenge – DEADLINE February 24th (Information)</u>

The Slingshot Challenge is about students sharing their ideas for slingshotting our planet forward. We are challenging 13–18year old's to create a one-minute video sharing their solutions to our current environmental problems. Prizes include five \$10,000 prizes.

<u>4-H Night at NASA – March 4th-5th</u>

DEADLINE January 31st

We have been cleared for launch of the 2023 Texas 4-H Night at NASA. Our date is set for March 4-5, 2023, at NASA's Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** All youth must be accompanied by an approved 4-H adult. All adults attending must have an active enrollment <u>before</u> registering for this event.

- Who: This event is open to actively enrolled junior, intermediate, and senior 4-H members, and adults.
- What: Participants will engage in hands-on STEM activities, have a presentation from an astronaut, visit rocket city on a guided tram tour, and visit the many space exhibits within the space center. This is an overnight camping experience in or outside (your choice) of the space center.
- When: March 4-5, 2023; Registration will be open on 4HOnline January 1-31, 2023.
- Where: Johnson Space Center, Houston
- How Much: The cost will be \$90/person (youth and adult).

Gettysburg & Washington D.C. Trip – July 17th-21st (Information)

Join Cooke, Denton, and Kaufman Counties as they travel to Gettysburg and Washington D.C. July 17th - July 21, 2023. 4-H members must be 13 years old. For more information view the flyer above or contact <u>steven.baringer@ag.tamu.edu</u>; <u>Phyllis.Griffin@ag.tamu.edu</u> or <u>cl-sharp@tamu.edu</u>

2023 Youth Agrobotics Challenge – DEADLINE February 22nd (Registration)

Grayson County 4-H is excited to host the 4th Annual Agrobotics Challenge in conjunction with the Texoma Exposition and Livestock Show. This year the challenge will be held on Sunday, February 26th at the Texoma Event Center. Team must register by Wed. February 22nd to reserve their space. This contest will have 3 grade divisions (junior, intermediate, and senior). Mixed teams will not be allowed. There is a block of rooms reserved for teams traveling: Book by calling 903-463-3331 or LINK (by February 12th).





Junior Master Gardener Virtual Training – February 21st – 22nd

- Who can attend: Teachers, Volunteers, Youth educators, Extension employees and anyone interested in working with youth gardening.
- Dynamic Keynote Speakers Mr. Chris Fields – Motivational speaker, author, and social entrepreneur who will inspire those working with children. Dr. Kjell Lindgren – NASA Astronaut and medical doctor sharing about his missions to the International Space Station and scientific experiments conducted in space.
- Virtual Field trips Visit outstanding programs in Mississippi, Texas, Indiana, Nevada, and Hawaii
- Four Breakout Sessions Tracks 1) JMG Curricula, 2) Growing Thriving Gardens, 3) Serving Diverse Audiences in Unique Settings, 4) Growing Sustainability, Leaders and Program Growth.
- When: February 21-22, 2023
- Where: Online
- Why: Be prepared to utilize JMG programs/curricula, best practices for implementation, build sustainable programs and connect with others!
- How: Conference website is https://jmgkids.us/2023jmgnlt/, Cost is \$65 for 1.5-day conference. Questions can be directed to jmgnltconference@gmail.com.

Texas Southwestern Cattle Raiser Association Opportunities (Information)

(Registration)

Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association announced several student opportunities during the 2023 Cattle Raisers Convention & Expo.

- Students will receive free admission to the 2023 School for Successful Ranching and Expo by using the code **STUDENT** when registering at cattleraisersconvention.com.
- TSCRA will host a graduate research poster showcase. March 25 at the Fort Worth Convention Center, graduate-level students will have the opportunity to present their research to industry leaders, TSCRA members and affiliates. All research posters must relate to the beef industry. Applications are due March 1.
- TSCRA will also host a youth photo contest for youth ages 5-18. Contestants can
 mail their photographs and entry forms to the TSCRA office by March 1. All
 qualifying entries will be judged at the 2023 Cattle Raisers Convention & Expo. For
 more information about the showcase and photo contest, visit cattleraisers convent



more information about the showcase and photo contest, visit <u>cattleraisersconvention.com/student-opportunities</u>.
 Younger students, ages 5-10, can attend Cow Camp hosted by the Cattle Raisers Museum, Saturday, March 25. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at The Fort Worth Museum of Science and History. Price per child is \$35 if registered before February 15, and \$45 if registered before March 15th. Camp registrations can be completed when registering for convention at <u>cattleraisersconvention.com</u>



Souper Bowl of Caring 2023 (Information)

Souper Bowl of Caring aligns with one of the nation's largest sporting events, the Super Bowl, as a tool to feed families throughout the state. Groups throughout the state will join forces from January 15th – February 12th to collect food donations and/or monetary donations to donate to a LOCAL hunger relief organization. Join Texas 4-H clubs to tackle hunger by participating in this event. It is a great service opportunity for youth, but more importantly it is a great learning opportunity. Find the "Play Book" with promotional materials, registration, and collection information above. When registering, please use 4-H in your name so that your impact can be reported to Texas 4-H. Questions? Contact: Dr. Julie Gardner at 979-321-5362 or julie.gardner@ag.tamu.edu.

2023 Texas 4-H Roundup Invitational Contests (Information)

The 2023 Texas 4-H Roundup planning is well underway! Please encourage 4-Her's to get involved in these *invitational contests*. Keep an eye on your emails and Texas 4-H social media for invitational contest for your 4-Her's to get involved in.



2023 4-H Day at COALS – March 30th

ATTENTION FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORE'S, & JUNIOR'S! Interested in the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences at Texas A&M University? Visit us for Texas 4-H Day hosted by the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences on March 30th in College Station, Texas! You will experience a campus tour, presentations on admissions and scholarships, meet current students, and see what life is like as a student at Texas A&M! Check out the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences majors <u>here</u>! Space is limited, make sure to signup starting February 1, 2023! Cost is \$30 per 4-H member, and parents are free! For more information, contact Jana Barrett (jana.barrett@ag.tamu.edu) or Megan Logan (megan.logan@ag.tamu.edu) for more information about 4-H Day at COALS. This event is back-to-back with 4-H Day at the Capitol, it is encouraged that families and counties register for both events.



4-H Landscape Challenge (FLYER)

New in 2023, the Texas A&M University Horticulture Department will be hosting a 4-H Landscape Challenge. The Final Challenge will take place on Monday, June 5, 2023 in College Station in conjunction with Texas 4-H Roundup week. Youth that compete in the 4-H Landscape Challenge Final are also encouraged to register for Texas 4-H Roundup and the events and activities offered that week. This challenge is meant to promote landscape design knowledge and professionalism to 4-H students by simulating a real-life interaction between customer and landscape professional.

More information visit <u>https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/horticulture/</u> or contact Jayla Fry at jayla.fry@ag.tamu.edu



The 2023 Refashion Retreat is upon us! The retreat will begin on Friday, March 3rd at 6 PM and end with a fashion show on Sunday morning, March 5th. Youth registration is \$155, and every youth needs to have an adult chaperone registered. Bring your sewing machine and sewing tools and be ready to let your creative juices flow. <u>Find registration on the Texas 4-H Center.</u>

Georgia Boot Trailblazer Contest – DEADLINE February 24th

(Information)

Encourage your 4-H youth to apply for the 2023 Georgia Boot Trailblazer Contest. Georgia Boot is looking for four enthusiastic 4-Her's to share their 2023 project journeys with the Georgia Boot audience. Don't skip out on this opportunity for your youth to win a prize package valued at \$500! 4-Her's ages 12 -18 can apply through February 24, 2023.

2023 CORE Academy Registration – DEADLINE APRIL 15th (FLYER) (Registration)

Don't miss this exciting opportunity for 4-H members in the 9th through 12th grade! The CORE Academy Program (Career Opportunities Reflecting Excellence) is a weeklong excursion that aims to expose students to various career and leadership opportunities around the state. Students will also learn and visit different post-secondary degree institutions across Texas. **Core Academy Applications for 2023 opens TODAY February 1**st **2023**! Don't forget to follow CORE Academy on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CORE4H

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2023 Texas 4-H Roundup Room Block Announcement (Information)

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Twitter: @Texas4H



<u>Guadalupe County GEAR Contest – DEADLINE April 10th (FLYER)</u>

Guadalupe County will host their annual 4-H GEAR Robotics contest this spring. The contest will be held on April 24, 2023. Location is tentatively set at the Guadalupe County Extension Office (210 East Live Oak, Seguin TX 78155). Information for registration is located on the Flyer. Game Specific Rules at <u>https://tinyurl.com/yckpa9nm</u> General Rules at <u>https://tinyurl.com/5bxn7jeb</u>

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ALLIANCE PARTNERS

Texas 4-H Alliance members have special programs set up for Texas 4-H members, their families and supporters the program. These business organizations offer discounts for services or merchandise, and in return a portion of the proceeds are donated to the Texas 4-H Foundation and/or the local county 4-H programs where the businesses are located.

Thank you to these Texas 4-H Alliance Members!

