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The Bulletin Board

NEW



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, contact Samantha Villanueva Samantha.villanueva@ag.tamu.edu for more information. Session 1 was January 18th, but session recording will be available for those who may still be interested.

NEW



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.

NEW

Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors – DEADLINE March 15th (FLYER) (APPLICATION)

If you enjoy helping your community, come join the Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors! For more information, please contact Angie Gutierrez at (210) 631-0400 or e-mail at aogutierrez@ag.tamu.edu information. Session 1 was January 18th, but session recording will be available for those who may still be interested.

NEW

Texas 4-H Council At-Large Delegates 2023-2024 – DEADLINE March 20th (INFORMATION) (Q&A OPPORTUNITY LINK)

Six youth will be elected from across the state to serve on Texas 4-H Council 2023-2024, representing the entire state rather than their home district. These youth will be elected the week of Roundup, but the application process begins now! Applications must be submitted through 4HOnline by March 20th! Information and the application can be found online by clicking the button below. A free question and answer session for youth interested in the at-large delegate process is tentatively scheduled for 6:30 pm, Thursday March 2nd if there is enough interest. This will be a time for 4-H members, parents, or CEAs to ask any questions regarding the At-Large Delegate application process or serving on Texas 4-H Council. It will be hosted by members of our current Texas 4-H Council.

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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>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- JAN 25-FEB 19 San Angelo Stock Show **DEADLINE NOV 4th**– 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 4th** – Pg. 11
- FEB 9-26 San Antonio Stock Show **DEADLINE NOV 4th** – Pg. 11
- FEB 12 2023 Souper Bowl of Caring Service Project **ENDS** – Pg. 18
- FEB 13 District 10 S.A.L.E. Horse Judging Contest
- FEB 15 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship **DEADLINE** – Pg. 10
- FEB 15 Texas 4-H State Dog Show T-Shirt Contest **DEADLINE** – Pg. 16
- FEB 18 District 10 S.A.L.E. Consumer Decision Making
- FEB 18 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Brownwood) **DEADLINE** – Pg. 14
- FEB 20 District 10 4-H Photography Contest (4-H Online) **DEADLINE** – Pg. 8
- FEB 21-22 Jr. Master Gardener Virtual National Conference – Pg. 18
- FEB 22 District 10 4-H Photography Contest (4-H Online) **LATE DEADLINE** – Pg. 8
- FEB 22 Youth Agrobotics Challenge – Texoma, TX **DEADLINE** – Pg. 17
- FEB 24 National Geographic Slingshot Challenge **DEADLINE** – Pg. 17
- FEB 24 Georgia Boot Trailblazer Contest **DEADLINE** – Pg. 19
- FEB 28-MAR 19 Houston Livestock Show **DEADLINE NOV 4th** – Pg. 11
- MAR 3 District-10 4-H Spring Roundup Registration **OPENS**
- 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 4th** – 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 [Reimbursement Form](#) to kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu

2022 – 2023 DISTRICT 10 4-H CALENDAR

FALL & WINTER DATES

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| District 10 FALL Roundup – Kerrville, TX | |
| REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, Oct. 7, 2022 | |
| REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022 | |
| LATE REGISTRATION: Wed. – Fri. Nov 2-4, 2022 | |
| Fall Roundup CONTEST DATES | |
| Nov. 29, 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Livestock & Horse Quiz Bowl • Ed. Presentation & Public Speaking |
| Nov. 30, 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Show • FCH Quiz Bowl • Entomology Judging |
| Dec. 1, 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Challenge |
| District 10 4-H S.A.L.E. Contests | |
| **All 4-H members must submit Stock Show entry forms/fees to their County Office to compete in any District 10 4-H contest that is being held conjunction with the San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo. | |
| DISTRICT REGISTRATION OPENS: January 2, 2023 | |
| DISTRICT REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Jan. 17, 2023 | |
| DISTRICT LATE REGISTRATION: Jan. 18-20, 2023 | |
| Feb. 13, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horse Judging |
| Feb. 18, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consumer Decision Making |
| District 10 4-H VIRTUAL Photography Contest | |
| REGISTRATION OPENS: Wed., Feb. 1, 2023 | |
| REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Mon. Feb. 20, 2023 | |
| LATE REGISTRATION: Tue–Wed. Feb 21-22, 2023 | |
| Feb. 20, 2023 | 4HOnline Registration CLOSES |
| Mar. 31, 2023 | Photography Results Released |
| Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Program | |
| APPLICATIONS OPEN: Tue., Nov. 1, 2022 | |
| FINAL DEADLINE: Feb. 15, 2023 @11:59 PM | |

SPRING & SUMMER DATES

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| District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX | |
| REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, March 3, 2023 | |
| REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 21, 2023 | |
| LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri, Mar. 22-24, 2023 | |
| Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES | |
| April 12, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX) |
| April 18, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaders 4 Life |
| April 19, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Livestock Judging |
| April 20, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Range/Pasture ID & Range Evaluation • Share the Fun • Wool & Mohair Judging |
| April 21, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil Judging • Duds 2 Dazzle • Fashion Show & Natural Fibers |
| April 22, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX) |
| April 28, 2023 <i>Virtual</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Fashion Storyboard Results Released |
| District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX | |
| REGISTRATION OPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023 | |
| REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues. May 16, 2023 | |
| LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 17-19, 2023 | |
| EVENT DATE: June 14-15, 2023 | |
| District 10 Leadership 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: Wed.–Fri. June 28-30, 2023 | |
| EVENT DATE: July 13, 2023 | |

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

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. [Click here to access the guide and contest information.](#)

NEW

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 [form](#) and submit it to kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu 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

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| 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 TEAMS Link | 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 TEAMS Link | Agenda TBA |
| County 4-H Ambassador and Council Officer End-of-Year Party | TBA TBA | TBA | 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 kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu. You will use that same form to turn in to your school attendance office for excused absences. Please call if you have any questions.



Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarships –
DEADLINE February 15th (SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL)

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 degree (i.e. Animal Science, Animal Nutrition, Ag Development, Ag Education, Ag Business, Veterinary Medicine, etc.)

NEW

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 Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu, office # 210-631-0400 or cell # 361-649-5836

| 2022-2023 Livestock Project Meetings | | | |
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*** PLEASE RSVP to sam.womble@ag.tamu.edu for all Project Training Events ***

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 [HERE](#). If you have any questions, please reach out to Kevin Knapick at kevin.knapick@ag.tamu.edu.

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

Upcoming Livestock Programs, Clinics & Shows

NEW

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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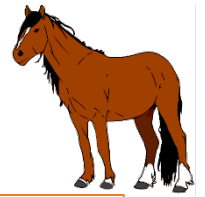
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Horse News & Events



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

Show Information: Upcoming show information is available on the [Bexar 4-H Horse Leaders Facebook page](#). 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.



4-H Shooting Sports

Learn by Doing

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

[4-H Natural Resources Program Activity and Event Schedule - Google Docs](#)

NEW

CCS Inaugural 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 [promotional letter](#) 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 [Texas 4-H Conference Center - Lake Brownwood, TX \(tamu.edu\)](#), **NOT** 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.

NEW

S.E.T.X Archery Shootout (Jasper, TX) – DEADLINE February 18th (FLYER) (REGISTRATION)

We are excited to share some great news with you our 4-H Shooting Sports families!! The S.E.T.X Shootout is coming back to Jasper for the second year and will again be at THE INDOOR soccer arena!! We had originally planned to have it this year in San Augustine but had to change at the 9th hour to 1502 North Wheeler St. in Jasper Texas. This shoot will be hosted by Newton County's Shooting Sports club, Newton Area Youth Gun and Bow Club. We are expecting it to fill up fast and it will be lots of fun. The information bulletin has all the details, but do not hesitate to call or text and ask questions!

Family & Community Health Events

NEW

Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors – DEADLINE March 15th (FLYER) (APPLICATION)

If you enjoy helping out your community, come join the Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors! For more information, please contact Angie Gutierrez at (210) 631-0400 or e-mail at aogutierrez@ag.tamu.edu



TEXAS A&M
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4-H Fashion & Interior Design Project Presents

Dr. Diana Allison from University of Incarnate word



**Speaking on the following topics:
Interior Design, Principals & Elements needed, and Floor
Plans Layout**



Date: March 1, 2023



Time: 6:30pm

**Location: County Extension Office
3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 208
San Antonio, Texas 78230**

**Please RSVP by Feb 24, 2023 to
Contact Ashley Menchaca 210-631-0400
Light refreshments provided.**

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**Fashion & Interior Design has MANY Contests!
Come Join Us and See What Peaks Your Interest.**



**Digital Contest
Storyboard**

**Date: February 25, 2023
Time: 9 – 11am
Location: County Extension Office
3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 208 San
Antonio, Texas 78230**

**Please RSVP by February 20, 2023.
Contact Ashley Menchaca at 210-631-0400 or
ashley.menchaca@ag.tamu.edu**

**Interior
Design**



**Buying &
Construction Contest**



Accessories



4-H Events & Training



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. [Get started by clicking here.](#)

Slingshot Challenge – DEADLINE February 24th (Information)

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

4-H Night at NASA – March 4th-5th

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 before 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).



NEW

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 steven.baringer@ag.tamu.edu; Phyllis.Griffin@ag.tamu.edu or cl-sharp@tamu.edu

NEW

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).



NEW

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://imgkids.us/2023imgnlt/>, Cost is \$65 for 1.5-day conference. Questions can be directed to imgnltconference@gmail.com.



NEW

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 cattleraisersconvention.com/student-opportunities.
- 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 cattleraisersconvention.com



NEW

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.



NEW

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 [here](#)! 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.***



NEW

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

NEW

2023 Refashion Retreat (FLYER)

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. [Find registration on the Texas 4-H Center.](#)

NEW

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.



NEW

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 1st 2023! Don't forget to follow CORE Academy on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CORE4H>

2023 Texas 4-H Roundup Room Block Announcement (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.

Facebook: Texas 4-H Youth Development Program

Instagram: @Texas4H

Twitter: @Texas4H

Guadalupe County GEAR Contest – DEADLINE April 10th (FLYER)

Guadalupe County will host their annual 4-H GEAR Robotics contest this spring. The contest will be held on April 22, 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 <https://tinyurl.com/yckpa9nm>

General Rules at <https://tinyurl.com/5bxn7jeb>

NEW

Texas 4-H Council At-Large Delegates 2023-2024 – DEADLINE March 20th **(INFORMATION) (Q&A OPPORTUNITY LINK)**

Six youth will be elected from across the state to serve on Texas 4-H Council 2023-2024, representing the entire state rather than their home district. These youth will be elected the week of Roundup, but the application process begins now! Applications must be submitted through 4HOnline by March 20th! Information and the application can be found online by clicking the button below. A free question and answer session for youth interested in the at-large delegate process is tentatively scheduled for 6:30 pm, Thursday March 2nd if there is enough interest. This will be a time for 4-H members, parents, or CEAs to ask any questions regarding the At-Large Delegate application process or serving on Texas 4-H Council. It will be hosted by members of our current Texas 4-H Council.

NEW

College / Career Fair & Trade Show – June 5th-8th **(INFORMATION)**

Six youth will be elected from across the state to serve on Texas 4-H Council 2023-2024, representing the entire state rather than their home district. These youth will be elected the week of Roundup, but the application process begins now! Applications must be submitted through 4HOnline by March 20th! Information and the application can be found online by clicking the button below.

NEW

Texas 4-H Roundup Internships – DEADLINE March 19th **(INFORMATION)**

We are seeking college students to intern at Texas 4-H Roundup June 5-8, 2023, in College Station! These paid internship opportunities will primarily be focused on planning and logistics. The full-time summer internship opportunity will work with Texas 4-H Roundup as well as additional summer events for the Texas 4-H Program. The internship will require flexibility, personal initiative, customer service skills and professionalism. Texas 4-H Roundup Duties may include but are not limited to: Coordinating Trade Show logistics, working with Contest Superintendents, organizing activities and hospitality, and assisting with registration. Photography interns will work alongside our Texas 4-H Marketing and Communication Specialist, Callie Cline, and focus on photo/video work related to the event. Students interested in Extension, communications, marketing, promotions, and other relevant majors are encouraged to apply. Previous membership in 4-H is not required but will be asked as part of the application process. **DEADLINE TO APPLY IS SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH AT 11:59 PM.** For questions, please contact Jana Barrett at 979-321-5287 or jcbarrett@ag.tamu.edu



NEW

Virtual Fishing Skill-A-Thon **(FLYER)**

This is a fun, educational opportunity for 4-H youth and Clover Kids to get outside and fish with their families and friends. The fishing takes place wherever they are in Texas! Short, educational videos on fishing tips, equipment, fish ID, industry careers, and more are available on the Texas 4-H Natural Resources Facebook page and new YouTube page. Prize packages of gift cards, fishing gear, and more will be awarded as provided by our sponsors. Last year we awarded over \$13,000 in prizes! Rules of play are attached to this email via the buttons below. Registration is now open on 4HOnline and the tournament will begin March 20th!

NEW

Texas 4-H Center Camp [\(Information\)](#)

From traditional camp experiences like fishing and dancing, to specialized camps on photography and woodworking, to an inclusive camp for youth with disabilities, there's something for everyone at Texas 4-H Camp! Registration is now open for the 2023 Summer camps. Register now before early bird pricing ends on April 1st!

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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!

