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BEXAR COUNTY NEWSLETTER

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County and District Photography Results!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE BEXAR COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS WHO COMPETED AT DISTRICT 10 SPRING ROUNDUP!

Water Ambassador Applications – DEADLINE May 1st (INFORMATION) (FLYER)

Applications are now open for the 2022-2023 Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program! These youth travel across the state of Texas learning about different water resources and give back to their communities through education and service.

Poultry Judging Camp for Youth and Coaches – DEADLINE May 1st (FLYER)

We are so excited to share our Summer '23 Poultry Judging Camp registration and to be offering more specific and tailored camps.

Bexar County 4-H County Council Applications – DEADLINE May 15th (APPLICATION)

At the May 18th meeting we will be electing new council officers for the 2023-2024 4-H Year. To be eligible for nomination you must complete and return a 4-H County Council application, must be at least 13 years old, and only 2 council members can be elected from the same 4-H Club! Nominations for officer positions at the elections on May 18th will first occur from those who submit applications, only after this process will nominations be open to anyone present at the meeting. Application DEADLINE: May 15th by 5:00pm and a virtual Q&A session will be held Wednesday, April 26th @ 7:00pm TEAMS LINK.

Bexar County 4-H County 4-H Ambassador Applications – DEADLINE June 2nd (APPLICATION)

This is an Excellent opportunity for those who do not get elected to a council position and younger members to gain 4-H leadership experience. Members must be at least 11 years old to apply. Application DEADLINE: June 2nd by 5:00pm Virtual Q&A session: Wednesday, April 26th @ 7:00pm TEAMS LINK.



This is a TENTATIVE schedule for state roundup for general planning. This schedule is only to give you an idea of when certain events will occur ***this is NOT a finalized schedule and should not be printed until at least June 2nd.**

BEXAR COUNTY AWARDS PACKET WILL BE RELEASED VIA 4-H ONLINE BROADCAST THIS WEEK



- APR 28 Hill Country Livestock Skill-a-thon Contest **DEADLINE** Pg. 17
- APR 28 National 4-H Internship DEADLINE Pg.17
- MAY 1 Texas 4-H Roundup Registration OPENS (4-HOnline) Pg. 17
- MAY 1 2023 Texas 4-H Horse Validation CLOSES (4-HOnline) Pg. 12
- MAY 1 Wildlife Habitat Education Project (WHEP) DEADLINE Pg. 17
- MAY 1 Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School **DEADLINE** Pg. 12
- MAY 1 Texas Water Ambassador Application **DEADLINE** Pg. 16
- MAY 1 District 10 Horse Show registration OPENS (4-HOnline)
- MAY 8 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Kerrville) **DEADLINE** Pg. 13
- MAY 15 Texas 4-H Roundup Registration CLOSES (4-HOnline) Pg. 17
- MAY 15 4-H Outdoor Challenge Registration **DEADLINE** Pg. 16
- MAY 16 District 10 Horse Show registration **DEADLINE** (4-HOnline)
- MAY 19 Ker 4-H Skeet & Trap Shoot **DEADLINE** Pg. 13
- JUNE 5-8 Texas 4-H Roundup Pg. 17

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



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

*These calendars are subject to change.

- APR 28 Virtual Fashion Storyboards
- JUN 5-8 Texas 4-H Roundup
- JUN 14-15 District 10 Horse Show
- JUL 6-8 Texas 4-H Dog Show
- JUL 13 District 10 Record Book Judging
- JUL 9-14 Texas 4-H State Games (Rifles, Pistol, Muzzleloading & Hunting Skills)
- JUL 17-22 Texas 4-H State Games (Archery & Shotgun)
- JUL 23-28 Texas 4-H Horse Show

District/State Contest ReimbursementForm

- 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

SPR	ING & SUMMER DATES		
District 10 SPR	RING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX		
REGISTRATI	ON OPENS: Friday, March 3, 2023		
REGISTRATIO	N DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 21, 2023		
LATE REGISTR	ATION: Wed.–Fri, 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 udging		
	Range Rasture 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	 4-H Storyboard Results Posted 		
	lorse Show – Dripping Springs, TX		
REGISTRATI	ON OPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023		
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues. May 16, 2023			
LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 17-19, 2023			
EVEN	IT DATE: June 14-15, 2023		
	eadership Lab – Brownwood, TX		
	ON OPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023		
EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 28, 2023			
	EGISTRATION: May 29-31, 2023		
EVENT DATE: June 21-23, 2023			
	cord Book Judging – Fredericksburg		
REGISTRATION OPENS: Thurs., June 1, 2023			
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 27, 2023			
LATE REGISTRATION: WedFri. June 28-30, 2023			
	I ly 13, 2023 (*District 10 4-H Planning g will be held July 12, 2023.)		

IMPORTANT STATE EVENTSd

	e Roundup – College Station, TX		
	NOPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023		
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Sun., May 14, 2023			
CON	ITEST INFORMATION		
EVENT DATE: June	Texas 4-H Roundup Website		
5-8, 2023	Texas 4-H Roundup Guide		
5-0, 2025	2023 Hotel Block Information		
Texas 4-H	State Dog Show – Belton, TX		
REGI	STRATION OPENS: TBA		
REGISTRATION	DEADLINE: Friday, May 12, 2023		
LATE REGISTRAT	FION DEADLINE: May 13-19, 2023		
	Texas 4-H Dog Show Website		
EVENT DATE: July	Texas 4-H Dog Show Rules		
6-8, 2023	2023 Hotel Block Information		
Texas 4-H State	e Games – Baird/San Antonio, TX		
REGIS	STRATION OPENS: TBA		
REGIST	RATION DEADLINE: TBA		
Registration will be	conducted on (2) different sites: STEP		
ONE- Register on 4H	IOnline. <u>STEP ONE must becompleted</u>		
<mark>first</mark> . step	TWO- Register on iclays.com		
	Events: Rifle, Pistol, Muzzleloading &		
July 9-14, 2023	Hunting Skill		
Baird, Texas	Location: Callahan County 4-H		
	Shooting Range		
July 17-22, 2023	Events: Archery & Shotgun		
San Antonio, Texas	Location: National Shooting Complex		
Texas 4-H Horse Show – Bryan, TX			
REGISTRATION	NOPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023		
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Sat., July 1, 2023			
	Texas 4-H Horse Show website		
EVENT DATE: July	Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules		
23-28, 2023	2023 State Horse Validation		

<u>Texas 4-H Roundup Information – RESISTRATION May 1st-15th</u> (SCHEDULE) (INFORMATION)

*The schedule posted is NOT FINALIZED and should only be used for general information purposes at this time!

LOCAL 4-H EVENTS / TRAINING

4-H Training RequestForm- 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.

	2022-202	3 Upcoming Vir	tual/In-Person Trainings and Events
County Council Meeting / County Officer Elections	5/18/23 @ 7:00 pm	3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Ste 208	County Council officer elections for the 2023-2024 4-H year will be conducted.
Club Manager Training #1	5/23/23 @ 7:00pm	3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Ste 208	 First in-person club manager training. Club managers, assistant managers, project leaders, and volunteers are invited to this training to learn the latest updates and processes for the upcoming 2023-2024 4-H year. AS A CONDITION OF CHARTERING A CLUB LEADER WILL NEED TO ATTEND TRAINING THIS YEAR.
Club Manager Training Virtual Option	5/25/23	VIRTUAL <u>TEAMS Link</u>	Virtual club manager training. Club managers, assistant managers, project leaders, and volunteers are invited to this training to learn the latest updates and processes for the upcoming 2023-2024 4-H year. AS A CONDITION OF CHARTERING A CLUB LEADER WILL NEED TO ATTEND TRAINING THIS YEAR.
Club Manager Training #2	5/23/23 @ 7:00pm	3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Ste 208	Second in-person club manager training. Club managers, assistant managers, project leaders, and volunteers are invited to this training to learn the latest updates and processes for the upcoming 2023-2024 4-H year. AS A CONDITION OF CHARTERING A CLUB LEADER WILL NEED TO ATTEND TRAINING THIS YEAR.
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.

*If your club has news or events they would like to see in our newsletter please email to <u>kennedy.green@ag.tamu.edu</u> <u>Send Us Your Pictures</u>

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

All 4-H members will have their academic eligibility checked and appropriate excused absences requested by the County Extension Office. Please call or email Kevin Knapick if you have any questions.



S.A.L.E. SCHOLARSHIP INOFORMATION WILL BE RELEASED VIA 4-H ONLINE BLAST BY THE END OF THE WEEK!



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			
		2022-2023 Lives	2022-2023 Livestock Project Meetings

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

State Fair of Texas 2023 Broiler Order – DEADLINE May 5th (FORM)

Cost will be \$1.50 per chick. Each exhibitor must have an individual order of at least 25 chicks. Increments must be made in 25. Return this form to the Bexar County Extension Office at 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. Suite 212 San Antonio, TX 78230 by Friday, May 5th. Make checks payable to Bexar 4-H Fund.

Turkey Poult Order – DEADLINE July 14th (FORM)

Bexar County Junior Livestock Show and San Antonio, Houston and Rodeo Austin turkey poult orders are due to the Extension office by Friday, July 14, 2023. Please fill out the information below to order your poults. A minimum of 5 and a maximum of 75 poults may be ordered per exhibitor/family. Each exhibitor MAY order an individual set of birds (up to 75) OR siblings within the same household may order and share a set of birds. Cost is \$4.75 per poult.



2023 Validation Dates:

Steers and Heifers – June 8th 8:30-11:00 am ASTA June 12th 8:30-11:00 am James Madison June 21st 4:00-6:30 pm East Central

State Fair Lamb, Goat and Swine Validation – June 21st 9:00-11:00 am East Central

Sheep and Goat Validation –

October 12th 3:00-6:00 pm James Madison October 19th 3:00-6:00 pm ASTA Fall Heifer Validation – October 28th 9:00-11:00 am East Central

<u>Swine Validation</u> –

November 8th 4:30-6:00 pm Southwest November 11th 2:00-5:00 pm ASTA November 14th 4:00-6:00 pm Judson November 20th 5:00-7:00 pm James Madison November 21st 2:00-5:00 pm East Central

Upcoming Livestock Programs, Clinics & Shows

2023 Sheep Capital Lamb Camp – DEADLINE June 30th (FLYER) (APPLICATION)

The San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office in Tom Green County are proud to present the 2023 Sheep Capital Lamb Camp to be held in San Angelo, Texas July 28 – July 30, 2023. The camp will be open to incoming 3rd Graders through Seniors in high school, and exhibitors of all levels of experience are welcome to participate. Camp will be a three-day program, kicking off on Friday, July 28, with registration that morning, and the clinic starting shortly after Noon. Saturday will be a full day of clinic information, and hands on experience for the showman. Sunday will wrap things up with a showmanship contest for the age divisions, and an awards program wrapping up just after lunch! The registration fee will include breakfast Saturday and Sunday, and lunch Saturday and Sunday, a T-shirt, and a camp packet.

Kerr 4-H Judging Contest (FLYFR

Kerr 4-H Judging Contest (FLYER) (REGISTRATION)

The Kerr 4-H Invitational Judging Contest will be held on Saturday, May 13th in Kerrville. Contests will include Grass ID, Range, Wool & Mohair. Youth may enter all contests. Bring as many teams or individuals as you want. Pre-registration is appreciated by filling out the attached cards above.

NEW

2023 Texas Youth Sheep and Goat Tour – DEADLINE May 15th (FLYER) (APPLICATION)

Providing opportunities for youth to engage with leaders in the sheep and goat industry. The program is available for incoming 9th-12th grade students. The program will take place June 26-29, 2023. Cost is \$100. Application is due by May 15, 2023.

Sheep and Goat Youth Expo Youth Program (FLYER)

The Texas Sheep and Goat Expo provides producers and others interested in the sheep and goat industry, an opportunity to attend educational presentations from expert speakers in a very diverse industry. This event, which draws producers from across Texas to as far away as Australia, is the largest event of its type in Texas and one of the largest sheep and goat industry educational programs in the world. The event covers a range of industry topics, including addressing the concerns and challenges facing today's producer in light of recent events, as well as the exciting changes happening in the industry involving technological advances and new services. The event also features a field day, youth program, and skill-a-thon. Save the date for August 19th in San Angelo for the youth program and skill-a-thon. <u>Click here to learn more about the program</u> or <u>click here to follow the event on Facebook.</u>

TSCRA Cattle Raisers Roundup – DEADLINE May 15th (FLYER) (APPLICATION)

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Cattle Raisers Roundup is a week-long high school summer camp for those interested in learning more about the beef industry. Travel across the state to see how beef moves from pasture to plate. This immersive program will give youth a front-row seat at ranches, feed yards, research institutions, veterinary clinics, processing facilities, and more. Opportunities include networking with industry leaders, visiting state of the art facilities, and gaining all-around industry experience. Youth should apply by May 15th.

Poultry Judging Camp for Youth and Coaches – DEADLINE May 1st (FLYER)

We are so excited to share our Summer '23 Poultry Judging Camp registration and to be offering more specific and tailored camps. We would love to have you join us again this summer. Please feel free to share this information with anyone who may be interested! Please review the following descriptions to ensure that you are registering for the appropriate camp! The deadline to register is May 1ST!

Poultry Judging Camp Ages 9-13

- Camp Date:
 - o June 14th-15th
- Camp Location:
 - Texas A&M University College Station
- Camp Cost:
 - \$150 Camp fee includes lunch, evening activity/dinner, camp manual, and t-shirt.
- Lodging:
 - Logging will not be provided for this camp, however, we have set up a room block at Calvary Court for your convenience
 - Nightly Rate:
 - \$119/per night for Kings and \$129/per night for Doubles at Cavalry Court Rates include wi-fi throughout the hotel and self-parking for all guests
 - Link to reserve rooms: <u>https://www.cavalrycourt.com/</u> Booking Code: **TAPJC-S1978**

Register Here: Poultry Judging Camp Ages 9-13

Poultry Judging Camp Ages 14-18

- Camp Date:
 - June 15th-17th
- Camp Location:
 - Texas A&M University College Station
- Camp Cost:
 - \$275 includes lodging, meals, camp manual, big shots, transportation, and a t-shirt
- \circ Lodging:
 - Lodging will be included with 2 individuals in a room, if you would like your own private room, please indicate this in the registration form.

Register Here: Poultry Judging Camp Ages 14-18

Ag Teacher and Coaches Poultry Judging Camp

- Camp Date:
 - o June 29th-30th
- Camp Location:
 - Texas A&M University College Station
- Camp Cost:
 - \circ \$150 Camp fee includes evening activity/dinner, camp manual, and t-shirt
 - Camp attendees are eligible for Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Requirements for Texas Ag Teachers with approximately 15 hours of credit
- Lodging:
 - Logging will not be provided for this camp, however, we have set up a room block at Calvary Court or The George for your convenience
 - Nightly Rate:
 - \$119/per night for Kings and \$129/per night for Doubles at Cavalry Court or the George Rates include wi-fi throughout the hotel and self-parking for all guests
 - Link to reserve rooms: <u>https://www.cavalrycourt.com/</u> Booking Code: **TAPJC-ATAC909**

Register Here: Ag Teacher and Coaches Poultry Judging Camp

Horse News & Events

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

<u>Show Information:</u> 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! 2023 Texas 4-H Horse Show Schedule, <u>Click here to view all information about</u> the state horse show.

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)
- 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.

2023 Texas 4-H Horse Validation

Validation Period: March 1st - May 1st



Information: ALL horses that may possibly be shown at a 4-H District and/or State Horse Show must be validated/re-

validated each year. There is no limit to the number of horses that can be validated. Youth are encouraged to validate all horses that may possibly be shown at district and/or state shows. Only state validated horses can be substituted if a validated horse becomes unusable due to lameness, sickness, etc.

Payment & Deadlines: The family can submit payment of \$20.00 or \$250 from May 1st to May 5th,

credit card ONLY.

- From March 1 April 15, the validation cost for each horse is \$10.00 The county deadline will be April 10th by 5 p.m.
- From April 16 May 1, the validation cost for each horse is \$20.00. The county deadline will be April 24th by 5 p.m.
- Each validation must include front view, right side view, and left side view images. The entire horse should be included in the photo and markings should be clearly visible.
- If the horse is registered, a copy of the registration papers must be uploaded. These papers must list the 4-Her, sibling, parent, stepparent, grandparent, or legal guardian as the current owner. If the ownership is in the process of being transferred, please list "pending" in the registration number area.
- ***NEW IN 2023*** Lease horses are now eligible to be validated and shown at District and State 4-H Horse Shows.
 - Official Texas 4-H Horse Lease Agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and the supervising County Extension Agent.
 - The lease period must include, at minimum, May 1st to August 31st of the current 4-H year. The lease agreement form can be found at <u>HERE</u> or on <u>https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/</u>
 - must be uploaded on 4HOnline during validation.
- Image uploads in 4H Online must be in the form of a .jpg, .gif or .png file.
- Families can validate each horse only one time.
- Youth validating a futurity horse must be at least 12 years of age (as of Sept. 1, 2022) and at least in the 6thgrade.

Resources for Families:

- 2023 Texas 4-H Horse Validation Guidelines for Families: DOWNLOAD PDF
- 4HOnline Validation walk-through guide for families: DOWNLOAD PDF
- For additional one-pagers and other resources, please visit https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/
- Validation walk-through video: <u>https://youtu.be/OPoOmyC1kTk</u>

2023 Texas 4H Roping School (REGISTRATION) (INFORMATION)

Registration is now open for the 2023 Texas 4H Roping School! On June 18 - 22, 2023, the Statewide Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School will be held in Stephenville, Texas. The school will be held at Park Your Pony. This event has been developed to encourage young people in 4H to develop leadership skills and to exercise their abilities in working with younger members in roping activities in 4H. Participation is open to all districts of the state, with applications being accepted on a first come, first-serve basis with priority to those who are 12 years of age and older.



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

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

2023 South Region Shooting Sports Training – May 20-21st (FLYER) (INFORMATION)

District 10 will be hosting a 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training on May 20th-21st at the Hill Country Shooting Range at 1886 Cypress Creek Rd, Kerrville, TX. All interested are encouraged to check out the flyer and information above. The registration period is open April 3rd – May 8th.



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Wilson County Summer Blast Shoot (FLYER)

Wilson County 4-H Shooting Club is hosting their 2nd Annual Summer Blast Shoot on May 27, 2023 at 12601 FM 20, Kingsbury TX, 78638. Events will include: 100 Bird Sporting, 50 Bird Whizbang Qualifier, 50 Bird FFA/Adult Whizbang and Rabbit Flurry. Register on iclays.com



Kerr 4-H Skeet & Trap Shoot – DEADLINE May 19th (FLYER) (INFORMATION)

June 2-4th Kerr 4H Skeet & Trap Club will be holding its annual Shoot at the Hill Country Shooting Sports Center in Kerrville, TX. This event will hold International Skeet, International Trap, American Skeet, American Trap, Whiz-Bang and Sporting Clays. Registration is being held on iClays (<u>https://www.iclays.com/cgi-bin/tournament_signup.cgi?tournament_id=11391&nsca_id=0</u>). Deadline to register is May 19th with LATE registration until May 26th, as space allows.

Family & Community Health Events

TEXAS A&M

Join us in a Community Service Project in making Simple Lap Quilts!

Dates & Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

- Saturday, April 15th 2023
- Saturday, May 27th 2023

Location: 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr, Suite 208 San Antonio, TX 78230

Please bring your sewing machine. Fabric will be provided. Some machines will be provided. Completed projects will be delivered on May 27th to Nursing Home Residence

Any additional questions contact Alya Trimble, Texas 4-H Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador at phtrimble@yahoo.com

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4-H Events & Training

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, 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.

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!

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/

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.

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

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!

2023 Inbound Programs (FLYER)

Howdy 4-H families! Are you interested in providing an international experience for your family? Would you consider hosting an international delegate in your home to meet those goals? Texas 4-H will host 20 youth from Japan this summer, July 23 – August 16. Host Families are not expected to entertain the delegate, but rather to just treat them as a member of the family. They come to the United States to learn our ways, our customs and how we interact as families. The twenty-youth visiting Texas have an even richer experience! The delegates have some familiarity with English but often lack the opportunity to practice what they've learned. Their immersive homestay in Texas and with families provides the atmosphere to further develop their English skills. Families learn that communication goes beyond the spoken word – creativity plays a big part in the communication, especially at the start of the homestay. 4-H membership is not a requirement. If your family is unable to host this summer, please feel free to share the information with others.

Water Ambassador Applications – DEADLINE May 1st (INFORMATION) (FLYER)

Applications are now open for the 2022-2023 Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program! These youth travel across the state of Texas learning about different water resources and give back to their communities through education and service.

WHEP Contest Information – DEADLINE May 1st (FLYER) (INFORMATION)

Registration is now open on 4-H Online for the 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project (WHEP) State Contest to be held May 20-21 in Jeff Davis County at the Nature Conservancy Davis Mountain Preserve. Registration is now OPEN until April 17th! Visit the Texas 4-H Natural Resources webpage. <u>Register now by clicking here.</u>

Texas 4-H Center Teen Weekend (REGISTRATION) (INFORMATION)

The Texas 4-H center will be hosting its second Teen weekend May 5-7. Responsible teens who have aged out of traditional camp and are interested in taking on more of a leadership role should apply. At teen weekend, your teen will receive all the required training to be ready for success this summer as a teen counselor. At the end of this weekend your teen will have the ability to sign up for any camp they wish to help with FOR FREE, leaving the week with 50+ Hrs. of volunteer service hours. Youth must have attended the teen training to be utilized as a teen counselor.



Horticulture Career Fair (FLYER)

This will be a great opportunity for high school students to see Texas A&M and have some hands-on experiences with horticulture including floral design, propagation, tissue culture, viticulture, and hydroponics. Students will get to meet faculty, staff, and current students to learn more about careers in horticulture and children and parents will have the opportunity to meet with academic advisors to ask questions about the admission process.

2023 4-H Outdoor Challenge – DEADLINE May 15th (FLYER)

Registration is now open on 4-H Online for the 4-H Outdoor Challenge to be held on June 18-19 in Richmond on the Long Acre Ranch. Open to all age divisions as an individual participant or a team of two. Limited to the first 130 registrants. A team must have both members registered in the first 130 to hold a 'team' spot. Coordinate team member registration as soon as possible. Details about the event and logistics can be found on the attached document and in the 4-H Outdoor Education webpage (https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/outdoor-education-living-skills/).

Roundup Registration Packet (INFORMATION)

Roundup registration opens May 1st but start making plans now with the Roundup registration packet. A schedule of events including locations will be posted later in April. This year we will be offering a "contestant all inclusive" registration, which will include access to contests, workshops, and any pre-post assembly activities for the entire week of Roundup, Monday - Thursday. A "contestant day pass" will also be available as well, BUT that will only grant access to contest and activities on THAT DAY! We will be sending more information about the registration process later in April. As a reminder, Texas 4-H Roundup is a Senior level 4-H event only. Also, don't forget to book your hotel. Hotel room block information can be found on our <u>Roundup webpage</u>.



Hill Country Livestock Skill-a-thon Contest – DEADLINE April 28th (FLYER)

4-Her's are invited to the first annual Livestock Skill-a-thon Contest in the beautiful Hill Country on May 15, 2023, at the Kendall County Youth Ag & Equestrian Center (648 FM 289, Comfort TX 78013)! Members who are interested in learning all about livestock can test their skills in this dynamic contest. This contest will also prepare Senior youth for the invitational contest at State 4-H Roundup in June.

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National 4-H Volunteer Conference (FLYER)

Mark your calendars for September 28th - October 1st for the National 4-H Volunteer Conference! Come visit the world's largest 4-H center, enjoy great sessions, meet new people, have fun, and bring home some great ideas to implement with your 4-H clubs and project groups. There is also a virtual option if you can't physically make it there. Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Eatonton, Georgia. <u>http://www.4hvcoss.com/</u>. Registration opens June 1.

National 4-H Internship – DEADLINE April 28th (INFORMATION)

National 4-H is hiring eight program assistants to lead our Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) attendees from all over the U.S. through civic engagement activities and exploring our Nation's capital. The application deadline is April 28th.



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