

TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

June 3, 2021

MEMORANDUM

TO: District 8 County Extension Agents

FROM: Donald W. Kelm  
District Extension Administrator



Megan R. Parr  
Extension Program Specialist  
4-H Youth Development



SUBJECT: DISTRICT 8 4-H RECORDBOOK JUDGING

---

Event Date: Thursday, July 8, 2021

---

Location: Extraco Event Center  
4601 Bosque BLVD  
Waco, TX

---

Entry Deadline: All entries will be completed on 4-H Connect at <https://texas.4honline.com/>.  
Opens: Monday, June 7, 2021  
Closes: Friday, June 25, 2021

---

County Approvals: County offices need to approve registrations on 4-H Connect by **Monday, June 28, 2021**

---

Entry Fee: \$0 per member

---

Lunch: Lunch and refreshments will be provided and included in the \$12.00 per person registration fee. Checks should be made payable to **McLennan Program Development Fund County** and should be paid at the door. Receipts will be available at that time. Please do not send checks to the District office ahead of time. Lunch choices can be made on the agent/volunteer sign up and include: Grilled Chicken Salad, Burger Basket, Chicken Strip Basket.

---

Central District 8 | 4-H Youth Development  
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service  
1229 N US Hwy 281 | Stephenville, Texas 76401  
megan.parr@ag.tamu.edu | <http://d84-h.tamu.edu>  
Tel. 254.968.4144 ext.211 | Fax. 254.965.3759



---

**Preparation of Books before Judging:** County Extension Agents should bring their county's recordbooks to the event on **July 8<sup>th</sup> by 9:00 am** to place them in the correct categories. Each Recordbook should have two items:



1. On the front cover of the Recordbook folder, attach a 3x5 index card (stapled or with a binder clip; no paper clips, please) with the following information PRINTED:

Name of 4-H Member  
County  
Age Division  
Category

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU UPDATE THE CARDS FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR!**



2. The "4-H Recordbook Check Sheet" should be hole-punched and be the first page in the book in front of the "Personal Information Page" and should have the "County" column checked off and initialed.

---

**Resources:**

District 8 4-H Website – Recordbook Judging Page

<http://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/recordbook-judging/>

Texas 4-H Website – Recordbook Page

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/>

---

**Judges:**

*For District:*



- All County Extension Agents will be expected to participate.
- Each county is responsible for bringing at least 2 volunteers to serve as judges.
- Dress for agents will be a minimum of business casual. No jeans.

Information should be uploaded to the Google Sheet by **Friday, June 25, 2021:**

- [see the original email from Megan on June 3<sup>rd</sup> for the link]

*For State:*

- Each district is required to send 10 judges to the state level for judging.
- State recordbook judging will be held on **Monday, August 9, 2021**
- Palo Pinto County Extension Office located at 221 South 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Palo Pinto, Texas 76484.
- These names are also due on **Friday, July 16, 2021** via the Google spreadsheet
- Both agents and volunteers are welcome to judge.

---

**Categories:**



Also, please remember that the categories were updated in recent years. When developing the new list of categories, a description was also written to help you make the best category selection. The list with descriptions can be found on the Texas 4-H Recordbook website.

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/>

|                               |                          |  |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Agricultural Sciences         | Goat                     | Rabbit   |
| Beef                          | Health & Personal Safety | Science, Engineering, Technology and Mathematics |
| Citizenship & Civic Education | Horse                    | Sheep  |
| Consumer Education            | Leadership               | Shooting Sports                                  |
| Dog Care & Training           | Natural Resources        | Swine  |
| Entomology                    | Photography              | Theatre & Performance Arts                       |
| Fashion & Interior Design     | Plant & Soil Science     | Veterinary Science                               |
| Food & Nutrition              | Poultry                  |  |
| Gardening & Horticulture      | Public Speaking          |  |

---

**State Recordbook Judging:**

Senior Recordbooks qualifying for state competition will be retained for state judging unless the agent wishes to take responsibility to have the recordbook(s) physically returned to the District Office no later than **Tuesday, July 14, 2021**. (We will ship the books on Wednesday to College Station.)

State-qualifying members will enter the state competition through 4-H Connect. The cost will be \$15 per book. The states entry dates are not currently posted, but registration is typically due the week after the District 8 judging date (due July 16<sup>th</sup>). *Information will be updated as soon as it becomes available.*

---

Good luck to your 4-H members and please let us know if you have any questions!