



Interested in STEM?

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Upcoming Events, Projects, or Volunteer Opportunities Hosted By Your Club?

Is your club hosting an upcoming event? Would you like to invite 4-H members from across the county to participate in this opportunity? Please email event details to jaden.kelly@ag.tamu.edu so that we can spread the word in our upcoming newsletters and emails!

Upcoming Events:

Texas 4-H Roundup and LEAD Academy
Register today! (See Page 3)

Texas 4-H Congress
Participate in this mock legislative experience at the Texas Capital to gain a firsthand understanding of how our government works.
Apply today! (See Page 13)

The Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program
Registration Closes May 15th (See Page 5)

Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors
Registration Closes at the end of May (See Page 6)

Texas 4-H Videography Contest
\$1,500 prize for 1st place!
Register & submit video between May 1st - 15th (See Page 6)

Kerr County 4-H Skeet & Trap Shoot
Participate in this 4-H Skeet & Trap Shoot competition in Kerrville Texas June 3rd-5th.
Register by May 20th. (See Page 8)

Record Book Submissions
due on June 1st, by 4:00 pm(See page 4)

County Officer Applications
Apply to be a Harris County 4-H Officer!
due June 3rd by 4:00 pm (See Page 4)

Award Applications
due June 3rd, by 4:00pm (See Page 4)

Upcoming Events:

State 4-H Summer Camps

2022 Texas 4-H is live and spaces are filling up quickly! If interested in attending, click the link shown on Page 14.

4-H HCC Summer Camp

5-day Summer camp exploring ecology, STEM, horticulture, and more! June 13-17. (See Page 15)

Steve Radack Community Center 4-H Summer Programs

will be hosted every Friday from June 1st- July 29th by 4-H personnel. Explore STEM, coding, and disaster preparedness. Volunteer opportunities available. (See Page 15)

Virtual Texas 4-H Reel 'Em In Fishing Skill-A-Thon 2022

Participate in this Virtual Texas 4-H Reel 'Em In Fishing Skill-A-Thon: June 1st-August 31st (See Page 16)

How do You Rely on Water? Art Contest

Submissions are due by May 9th (See Page 11)

Vet Science Certification Camps

Dates and registrations vary based on location. (See Page 14)

Train Like A Champion Livestock Clinic and Show

Register by July 1st! Contact your county agent for the entry form and more information. (See Page 17)

Entomology Photography Contest, and Entomology Insect Identification Contests

Registration is now open, Register by May 20th! (See Page 10)

District 9 4-Horse Show

Register by May 25th! Contact your County Agent for more information (See Page 9)

Paper Clovers

Paper Clovers are available for purchase through May 8th at your Local Tractor Supply (See Page 12)

4-H STEM Nights

Contact your 4-H Agent! (See Page 18)

Questions? Reach out to the 4-H Team! (Page 23)

Texas 4-H Roundup and LEAD Academy Registration Open

Don't let your youth miss their opportunity to compete in our qualifying OR invitational Texas 4-H Roundup contests, or participate in the many learning opportunities at LEAD Academy this year.

Learn more by clicking the links below or contacting the Harris County 4-H Team!

<https://youtu.be/kg1x-7K8bd8>

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hxcMfXARzpWjwGjGdNQKD5XF2_5nceDZ/view



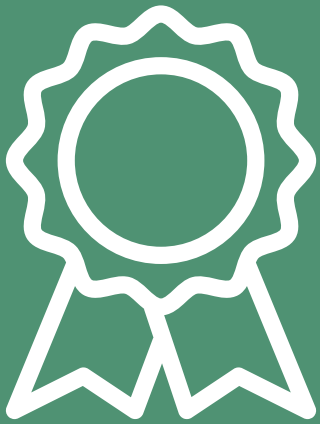
Roundup and LEAD Academy registration opened May 2nd, on 4HOnline and will close May 12th.

(Only available for Senior 4-H members)

Record Book Submissions

Record books are due to the county office on June 1st, by 4:00 pm.

If your club is planning a record book workday, please let our office know so we can try and attend. Reach out to your county Agents if you need the ppt from the training back in October, Additional Record book resources can be found at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/>



Award Applications

All award applications are due to the county office on June 3rd, by 4:00pm. Please see the attached Awards Application Handbook.

County Officer Application

County Officer applications are due to our office on June 3rd, By 4:00pm. Applications have been sent via email. Applicants must be enrolled in 4-H for at least 6 months, and at least 13 years of age. Additionally, applicants will need to send in a 2-3 minute campaign speech recording to be shared through Harris County 4-H social media. Applicants must be present for elections on June 10th at 6pm- Location: AgriLife Extension Office Harris County 103105 NW Freeway Suite 1000, Houston TX 77040



Important associated resources are attached to the email where you received this newsletter or you can contact your Harris County 4-H Team.



Upcoming Events: Youth Ambassador Programs



(All Ambassador programs require 40 hours of service)

The Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program



Applications open April 1!

Must be at least 14 years old and in high school for the 2022/2023 academic year

For more information visit
www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com

Growing the next generation of water leaders!



The Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program was formed in 2017 in an effort to educate youth about water resources in Texas. Every spring, up to 30 high school youth are selected to participate in a summer 4-H2O Leadership Academy (tour). Students travel throughout Texas to learn how water is collected, conveyed, treated, conserved and managed to meet the need of our economy and citizenry.

To reinforce knowledge gained during the academy, water ambassadors pass on that information to others as they engage in various education and service activities throughout the year. This program also provides a platform for youth to connect with water industry professionals and educators who represent a wide range of water disciplines.

<https://agrillife.org/harris4h/files/2022/03/Application-Instruction-Details-3-24.pdf>



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Become trained and recognized as a student health and wellness leader in your community!

WHO CAN JOIN?

Membership is open to all youth entering at least 9th grade regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, national origin or disability. Ambassadorship is a 12-month commitment, beginning June 2022 to May 2023.



WHEN IS TRAINING?

During the summer, ambassadors will attend one of the "Building Healthy Youth to Build a Healthy Texas" Summits. These Summits will lay the foundation for ambassadors to implement health, wellness, nutrition, and safety programs across the state.



WHERE WILL YOU SERVE?

Once training is complete, youth ambassadors will provide 40 hours of service to their community. Hours can be earned through peer-to-peer education, school programs, community programs, and service learning opportunities.



WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT?

This program is designed for high school age youth who have a passion for health and wellness. Youth will be trained at the local & regional level to become youth health experts who can motivate others to make changes in their lifestyle and improve overall health. More importantly, ambassadors will assist local county extension agents with program efforts, project activities, and much more!

WHY CHOOSE US?

Become a trained student assistant to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension agents, helping to provide leadership with programs.

Become knowledgeable and skilled in the healthy lifestyles subject matter.

Learn to coordinate and present educational events that will encourage better health in your community.

Give 40 hours of service to improve the health of your community.

For more information please contact your local county extension agent or visit the website below.

<https://healthytexas.tamu.edu/youth-ambassadors/>

Texas 4-H

VIDEOGRAPHY CONTEST

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**Registration Opens: on 4HOnline May 1, 2022.
Registration Closes: midnight May 15, 2022.**

Theme: Promote 4-H From the traditional to the newest projects and programs, promote 4-H by showcasing what 4-H has to offer.

Prizes:

1st Place - \$1,500

2nd Place - \$1,000

3rd Place - \$750

Contest details, rules, and the scoring rubric can be found at the link below!

[Videography Contest 21-22](#)

Kerr County 4-H Skeet & Trap Shoot

June 3-5, 2022

Hill Country Shooting Sports Center

1886 Cypress Creek Rd

Kerrville, Texas

Register through iClays by May 20th

Late registration available through May 27th

Events Include:

Friday: International Trap, International Skeet

**Saturday: American Skeet, Sporting Clays,
Whiz Bang**

Sunday: American Trap

Contact information listed below:
KC Cunningham, Event Coordinator, or
Lindsey Forster, Registration Secretary
E-Mail: kerr.registration@yahoo.com



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District 9 4-H Instructional Horse Show

Monday– June 20, 2022
1:00 PM. until conclusion.

\$50.00 for the DAY –INCLUDES ALL CLASSES
and early evening meal.

Instructional Classes:

SHOWMANSHIP

WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP

STOCK HORSE PLEASURE

WESTERN TRAIL

HUNT SEAT EQUITATION

CRITIQUE

INSTRUCTION

ADVICE

*If you want to learn about exhibiting
your horse project in these classes-
You need to participate!*

**Instructional show at the
Brazos County
EXPO Complex
5827 Leonard Rd.
Bryan, TX 77807**

**OPEN TO ANY 4-H
MEMBER**

**Regardless of District or
County**

**Enter online / 4-H Online by
May 25, 2022**

**No 4-H Horse Validation or
Ownership Required**

**Participation does not qualify the
horse or exhibitor for the State
Show.**

**If you participate in the
Instructional Horse Show and
decide to enter the District Horse
Show, all late fees are waived (will
require ownership of validated 4-H
Horse project & D9 4-H
Membership) First year Horse
Show Participants Only**

**Educational Program Sponsored
by the
District 9 4-H Horse Committee.**

For more information
please call
979-845-6800
or your local
District 9 County
4-H Office.

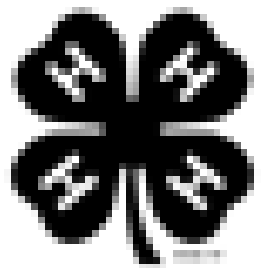


"Hang Your Hat On This!"



4-H Entomology Collection Entomology Photography & Entomology Insect Identification CONTESTS

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Contest guidelines, information, and updates are now available for the 2022 Texas 4-H Entomology Collection Contest, Entomology Photography Contest, and Entomology Insect Identification Contests. Registration will take place on 4HOnline May 1st - 20th and cost per participant is \$10. Registration for additional Roundup activities will be a separate registration, but collections will be submitted to and picked up from Reed Arena during Roundup. [Click here to learn more.](#)

YOUTH ENGAGED FOR CHANGED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) JUST LAUNCHED A CREATIVE ART CONTEST FOR YOUTH!



Share your answer to the question: What are the different ways you rely on water on a daily basis or why would you consider a career in water?

Submit ONE of the following:

- **A video essay, featuring acting, singing, poetry, or other spoken word (no more than 1 minute in length)**
- **Illustration, such as a graphic design, comic, meme, infographic, animated gif, etc.**
 - **Photograph**
 - **Vision board**
- **Written essay or poem (no more than 500 words)**

WINNERS WILL RECEIVE \$100 AMAZON GIFT CARDS.

SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY BY MAY 9 AT [BIT.LY/WATER-CONTEST-2022](https://bit.ly/water-contest-2022)



Paper clovers will be available to purchase at your local Tractor Supply store, through May 8. Each clover purchased goes directly to supporting 4-H youth. Thousands of kids have been helped by paper clovers in the past. So let's head to Tractor Supply and show some clover pride!



2+ House/Senate positions open for Harris County 4-H Members!

Texas 4-H Congress is a four-day mock legislative experience for 4-H members in grades 9th to 12th (at the time of the event). During this time, 4-H members assume the roles of legislators, lobbyists, and press corps to gain a first-hand understanding of how the legislative process works. Bills that are written and sponsored by 4-H members focus on issues concerning Texas and Texas youth. These bills are assigned to the appropriate committee, debated in committee meetings, and then on the floor of the House or Senate. If a bill is successful in negotiation and the legislative debate in all three stages, it is delivered to the Governor of Texas 4-H Congress for his or her signature or veto. Copies of all the bills that are signed into law during Texas 4-H Congress are provided to the Office of the Governor for review.

[Click here to learn more.](#)

Contact your Harris County 4-H Team if you are interested in attending!

Vet Science Certification Camps

Interested in pursuing a career in Vet Science? Or are you just trying to learn more about the subject? Check out the 4-H Vet Science opportunities taking place this summer!

https://aevm.tamu.edu/summer-camp/?fbclid=IwAR2wMnRxYitIxiaKeeqhkwDgkTd_5Op-rOozYTpruPFrw1Hz4PS3IPtCQ4



**Day
2022
Camps**

April 18
EAST FOUNDATION
HEBRONVILLE, TX

June 10
MCMULLEN COUNTY
TILDEN, TX

July 7
EL PASO COUNTY
EL PASO, TX

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VETERINARY SCIENCE
CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Applications for day camps will open on
February 22nd and close at capacity



**Summer
2022
Camp**

June 6-8
TEXAS A&M KINGSVILLE
KINGSVILLE, TX

May 23-25
NEW MEXICO STATE
UNIVERSITY
LAS CRUCES, NM

June 13-15
TEXAS A&M
COLLEGE STATION, TX

July 20-22
LONESTAR COLLEGE
TOMBALL, TX

June 16-18
STEPHEN F. AUSTIN
NACOGDOCHES, TX

July 18-20
TARLETON STATE
UNIVERSITY
STEPHENVILLE, TX

July 18-20
WEST TEXAS A&M
UNIVERSITY
CANYON, TX

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2022 TEXAS 4-H SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS LIVE!



2022 SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS
LIVE ON OUR WEBSITE

GO TO:

[HTTPS://TEXAS4HCENTER.TAMU.EDU/](https://TEXAS4HCENTER.TAMU.EDU/)
TO CHECK OUT WHAT CAMPS WE HAVE
TO OFFER FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
THIS SUMMER



4-H & HCC- Katy Summer Camp



Harris County 4-H is partnering with Houston Community College- Katy to provide a five day summer camp from June 13th - 18th for kids age 6-13.

Join us as we explore Ecology, Horticulture, Food & Nutrition, and STEM in Space!

Keep an eye out for future emails and updates that share how you can enroll!



Steve Radack Community Center 4-H Program

This Summer, Harris County 4-H will be leading youth activities at the Steve Radack Community Center on Fridays from 1:00pm to 2:30pm!

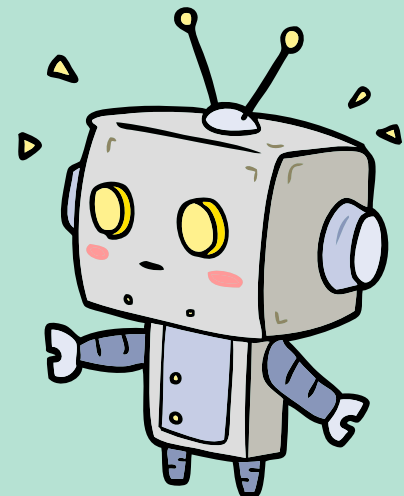
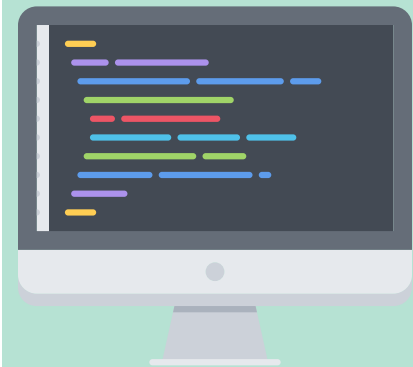
June 1st - July 29th

We plan to focus on STEM, Robotics, Coding, and disaster preparedness throughout this series of hands-on activities.

Please contact the Harris County 4-H Department if you have a young 4-H member interested in attending these programs.



Senior members who are active in robotics, please let us know if you are interested in volunteering to help us facilitate this program!





SUMMER

Virtual **TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN** FISHING SKILL-A-THON 2022

Program Highlights:

- Register **individually** as 4-H youth (grades 3-12) or *Clover Kid (grades K-2) via 4HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com/> beginning April 1st
- Clover Kids - FREE to participate and will receive a participation certificate
- Prizes to be listed May 2022
- New educational programs and fishing contests
- Judging via FishDonkey App (no fee to use app!) Rules are posted at <https://d54-h.tamu.edu/>

Species Divisions:

- Saltwater - Spotted Seatrout, Sheepshead & Redfish
- Freshwater - Bass, Crappie & Catfish

Summer Tournament

Register: April 1 - Jun 30, 2022

Fish: June 1 at 12:00 pm thru
August 31 at 11:59 pm

More Ways to Win!

- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam - post 3 different fish species within species division
- Wild Card - random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

Fee:

- \$50 flat fee per division per 4-H participant (saltwater and/or freshwater)

Questions?

- Contact Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Ph.D.,
Extension Program Specialist at
jlmcswaine@ag.tamu.edu



TRAIN *like a* CHAMPION

PROSPECT SHOW

7.16.2022

LOCATION

Fayette County Fairgrounds
400 Fairgrounds Rd, La Grange, TX

SCHEDULE

7:30-8:30 am Check in
9 am Showmanship Workout
11 am Jackpot Showmanship Show
Prospect show begins immediately
following showmanship show

ENTRIES

\$30 per head by July 1
\$10 late fee after July 1

STEERS

5% weigh back
American, British, Exotic divisions
"Blow and Go" show

HEIFERS

"Blow and Go" show
American, British, Exotic & Commercial divisions
Commercial heifers must have County Fair
Commercial Heifer Ear Tag
Commercial heifer class breaks based on
weight with a 5% weigh back

GOATS

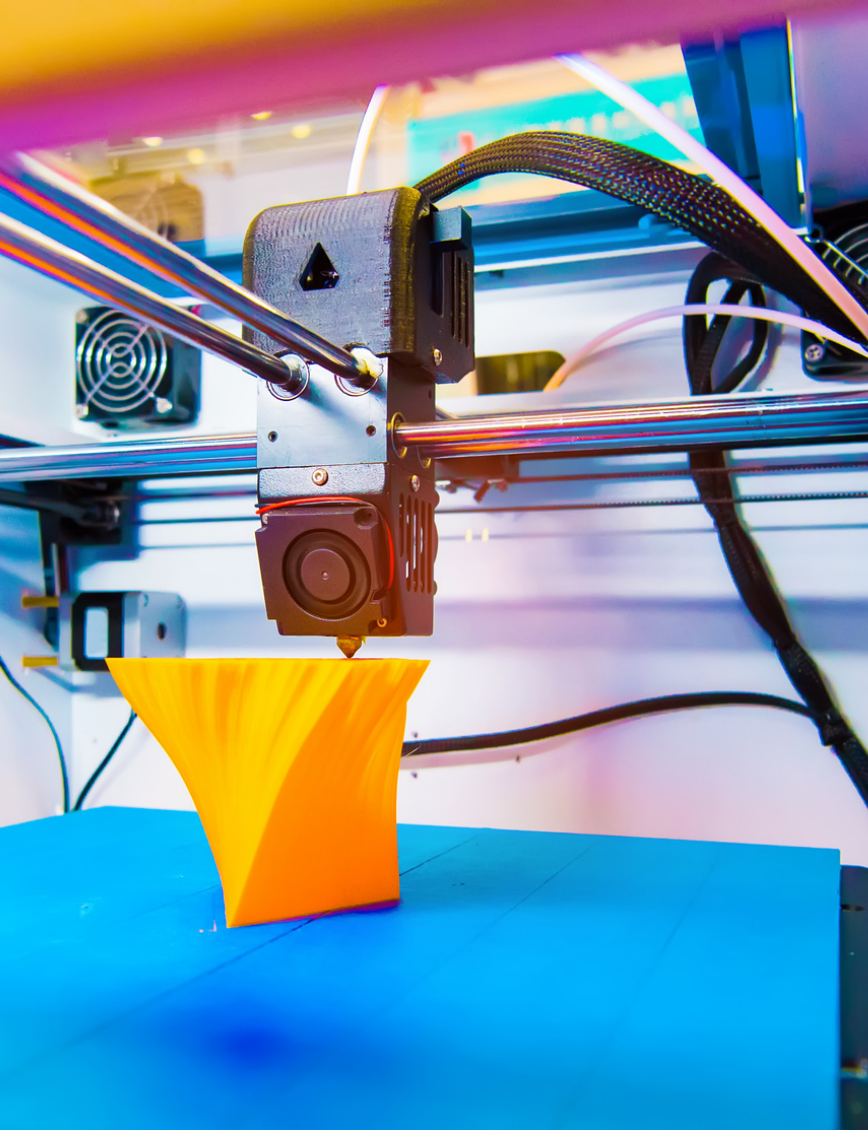
5 lb weigh back

LAMBS

5 lb weigh back
Classes determined solely by weight, not breed

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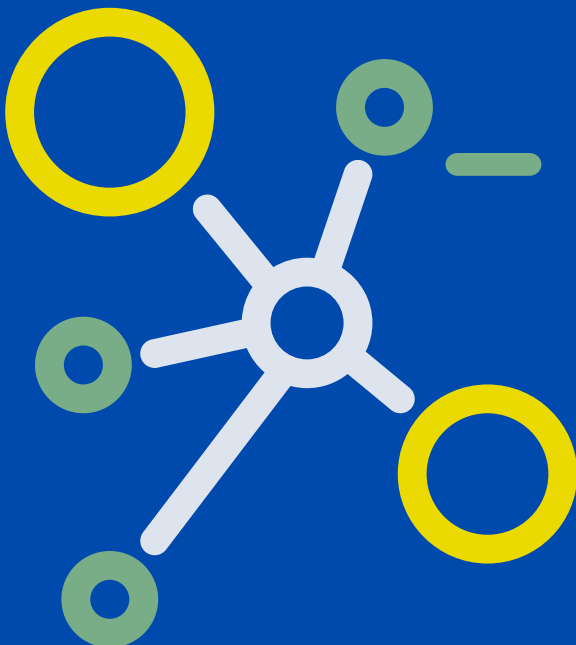
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4-H STEM HARRIS COUNTY

Science - Technology - Engineering - Math



4-H Harris County is working with Harris County Public Library to organize a STEM Night. Learn how to operate advanced technologies such as 3-D printers, laser cutters, VR headsets, robotics, and much more! If interested, please complete the attached survey.

Complete the survey below if interested in hosting the 4-H Harris County Team at an upcoming club meeting to lead STEM activities & discuss additional STEM opportunities!

https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0lgZlW80tkk63Ge

[SHOP NOW BY CLICKING HERE](#)

Explore our newest 4-H gear, supplies, and curriculum.

For a limited time, you can get a **FREE 4-H denim jacket** when you spend \$200 or more!



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YOU!**

ALLERGEN-FREE BAKING

Kristin Osika, 4-H Youth-in-Action Winner and speaker at last week's National 4-H Summit on Healthy Living is sharing a few of her favorite allergen-free recipes. These tasty creations leave out the gluten but deliver on flavor!



**Get started by
clicking here.**



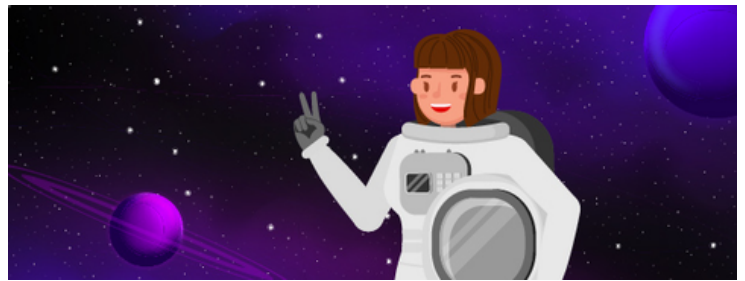
FAMILY GUIDE to the Texas 4-H Record Book

Why should you have and maintain a 4-H Record Book?

- Allow 4-H members to tell how they have grown, what they have learned, where they came up short and to do it creatively within outlined parameters.
- Demonstrate the importance of keeping a written document of what has been done.
- Provides a written platform for goal setting and documentation of the actions required to reach goals.
- Provide an opportunity for competition at the County, District, and State level.
- Contains get information for college and career resumes!

Access the Family Guide to the Texas 4-H Record Book by clicking the link below!

https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/recordbook_family_guide_2021_2022.pdf



Space Exploration

What do we need to get humans to Mars? Visit 4-H at Home for the latest Space Exploration activity, brought to you by HunesNet, to find out how scientists are preparing for this epic journey with trips to the Moon.

[Get started by clicking here.](#)

4-H Beekeeping Project

Exciting news for beekeeping enthusiasts and future beekeepers... we now have a Beginning Beekeeping Explore Guide! Check it out now and get started with your beekeeping project by clicking the button below.

Access now by [clicking here.](#)



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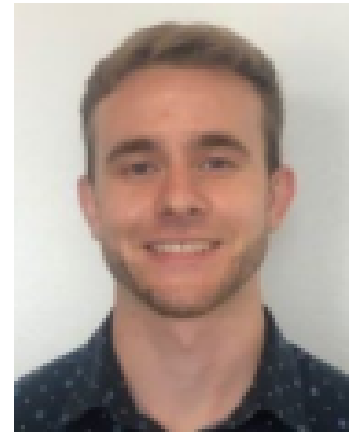
The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

Is your club hosting an upcoming event? Would you like to invite 4-H members from across the county to participate in this opportunity? Please email event details to jaden.kelly@ag.tamu.edu so that we can spread the word in our upcoming newsletters, social media posts, and emails!

Meet the 4-H Harris County Team!



Jaden Kelly
4-H and Youth Development County Extension Agent
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Favorite 4-H Project: STEM, Leadership, and Aquatic Science



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Favorite 4-H Project: Foods & Nutrition



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Favorite 4-H Project: Livestock



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Favorite 4-H Project: STEM, Food and Nutrition, and Fashion and Interior Design

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting are encouraged to contact the County Extension Office prior to the meeting to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.