



## Montgomery County 4-H Weekly Updates

April 5-12, 2024

Office hours: Mon-Fri 8am-12pm; 1pm-5pm

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## Important Dates

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### April 2024

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- 4/1-4/15 Texas 4-H Photography Contest entries for Senior 4-Hers open on 4honline
- 4/6 District 9 horse judging and rifle/pistol contests
- 4/11-4/21 Montgomery County Fair
- 4/12 Swine validation tag orders due for fall major shows**
- 4/15 Horse validation due**
- 4/16 RSVP for County Horse Show due (email Michelle if participating)**
- 4/16-5/1 Late horse validation open**
- 4/20 District 9 judging contests (livestock, meat, soils)
- 4/22 Co. Council meeting/officer elections 7pm, Thomas LeRoy Ed. Bldg., RSVP
- 4/25-4/27 Big Time in D-9 4-H Roundup
- 4/30 Record book training 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg.

### May

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- 5/1-5/13 Texas 4-H Roundup registration open
- 5/3 District 9 Robotics contest
- 5/4 County 4-H Horse Show, Willis Arena
- 5/15 District 9 Leadership lab registration due**
- 5/22 State Fair Broiler orders due**

# Project Information

\*Be sure to check out any attachments also

## Fall 2024 Major Show Validation Orders

All order forms are located on the 4-H webpage:

<https://agrillife.org/montgomery4h/livestock/>

	Price	Due Date	Late Price	Late Cutoff	Validation
Steer (All Major Shows)			\$30	6/7	6/24
Heifers			\$30	6/7	6/25
Lambs & Goats (market or breeding)			\$27	6/7	6/20
Swine	\$17	4/12	\$20	5/24	6/24

Actual validations are held at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds. Each date will have a Sign Up Genius for selecting a time. Please see link above for further species-specific details and use the linked Google forms there to order tags. Again, these are NOT for county fair, but major shows only.

**State Fair broiler orders due by 5/22. Order forms can be found here:**

[Major Shows](#) | [Montgomery County 4-H \(agrillife.org\)](#)



**MONTGOMERY COUNTY FAIR**  
**APRIL 11-21, 2024**



Kids Days 4/15 & 4/16

Sign up to help here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B4BAFAB2AAAFB6-47291653-kids>

For the most updated information  
visit [MCFA.org](http://MCFA.org)

**\*Do not forget to turn in your eligibility forms for the fair. You will not be able to participate if you do not turn in an eligibility form. Forms need to be turned in to the Extension Office no later than Wednesday, April 10th. If you are showing livestock, you will need to bring your drug forms by the office to get Michelle's signature on your form before turning it in to the fair.**



# Scholarship Opportunities

Producers Cooperative Association



Due by April 30, 2024

Must be a child, grandchild, or legal dependent of an active member of Producers Cooperative  
\*flyer attached

## HORSE PROJECT

Horse validation open in 4-H online March 1-April 15 \$10/horse

Late validation open April 16-May 1 \$20/horse



Colt Project Clinic:

April 29, 2024 @6:30pm Lone Star Expo Ctr.

Montgomery County 4-H Horse Show

May 4, 2024 at the Willis Arena

Email Michelle by April 16th if you want to participate: [mmmihalek@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:mmmihalek@ag.tamu.edu)

Quiz bowls

Science Fair

Wildlife Contest

Educational Presentation/  
Public Speaking

Ag Product ID

Talent  
showcase



## District 9 4-H Roundup April 25-27 at Lonestar College Campus

*\*Late entries open 4/4-4/8*

For more information visit:

<https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/bigtime/>



Photography

Judging  
contests

Food contests

Fashion Contests

Skillathons

Consumer Decision Making

## COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

AND OFFICER ELECTIONS

APRIL 22, 2024

Program: MCFA Junior  
Committee

Community Service Project:  
Snack Packs for Seniors  
\*flyer attached

Come for dinner at 6:30pm, meeting starts at 7

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/oKwYpAdWrUqhTv2W8>



# 2024 Ambassador Applications are Open

Open to Senior 4-H members (9th-12th grade)

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ambassadors/>

- Equine
- Livestock
- Poultry
- Fashion & Interior Design
- Healthy Texas Youth
- Water

- February 15-April 15
- February 15-April 5
- February 15-April 15
- March 1-31
- February 1-April 1
- March 15-May 1



**2024 TEXAS 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**

SENIOR 4-H MEMBERS  
15 CATEGORIES  
ONLINE ENTRY: APRIL 1-15, 2024  
**\$250 PER BEST OF SHOW**

See website for complete rules and eligibility:  
<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/>

**Photography**

Texas 4-H Photography Contest  
Entries due by 4/15  
(Senior 4-Hers only)

Texas 4-H Aperture Academy  
Earlybird registration closes 4/15  
Grades 6-8

**TEXAS 4-H**

**APERTURE ACADEMY**

LEARN PHOTOGRAPHY SKILLS AND TECHNIQUES

**JULY 7-10**  
TEXAS 4-H CONFERENCE CENTER  
Brownwood, TX  
Grades 6-8

Join us this summer for a fun and exciting camp where youth will learn the basics of photography. This camp is geared for beginners and promises hands-on learning in an engaging camp atmosphere.

**\$300 EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION ENDS APRIL 15**

Register online at [texas4hcenter.tamu.edu](https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu)  
All camera equipment and supplies provided during camp.

## ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY FORMS

Eligibility forms, which you may have called tan forms or No Pass No Play, are **REQUIRED** for every event that mandates 4-H membership. This is true whether or not an excused absence is necessary = also true for weekend events. A separate form is needed for each event, but you can make a list and submit at once for all those which fall within a single grading period. If you have entered a major stock show or, later in the year, the county fair, you will not need to make this request. We automatically generate those.

We are switching over to an easier process for the 2023-24 year. Instead of phone calls or emails, place your request online at <https://forms.gle/WKANekDFA81Nyc6K6>. If you are able to provide an email address for the individual who will be responsible for these on your campus and willing/able to send us a copy of your own signature, we will get this completed digitally. Given enough time, we can mail a hard copy to you or you may come by the office to physically pick it up. Before carrying these to campus, parents must sign the form. Upon completion, those physical copies are returned to students, and you as a family are responsible for returning it to us. Our standard timeline is to have it on file a week before the event or competition. If you are in a time crunch, send a digital copy and follow that with the original. Forms will be generated on Mondays and Thursdays. (There is not an acceptable version of the eligibility form for Montgomery County 4-H'ers posted online anywhere.)