



Montgomery County 4-H Weekly Updates September 20-27, 2024

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

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Important Dates

September 2024

9/20-21 4-H and FFA Weekend in Aggieland

9/21 Quilts of Valor Kickoff

9/21 Hunters Education 9am-3pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Building

9/22 County t-shirt orders due

9/22 Fashion and Interior Design Project meeting 2-4pm, Extension Office, RSVP

9/23 County Council meeting, 7pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg., RSVP

9/24 STEM and Robotics intro meeting 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg.

9/26 Club Manager training 6:30pm, Extension Office

9/27 Rabbit Clinic 4-8pm, Montgomery County Fairgrounds, RSVP

9/28 Photography Workshop 9am-12pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg., RSVP

October 2024

10/1 Quiz Bowl informational meeting 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg. RSVP

10/2-10/13 Tractor Supply Clover Campaign

10/6-10/12 National 4-H Week

10/8 MCFA Replacement heifer tag-in

10/12 One Day 4-H

10/15 MCFA Filly & Gelding tag-in

10/21 County Council 7pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg., RSVP for dinner at 6:30pm

10/28 Lamb & Goat validation 4-7pm, Fairgrounds, signup genius for times

10/29 Heifer validation, 4-7pm, Fairgrounds, signup genius for times

Project Information

*Be sure to check out any attachments also



All livestock exhibitors are required to complete the education module and test. Exhibitors must be verified once as a Junior (grades 3-5), once as an Intermediate (grades 6-8), and once as a Senior (grades 9-12).

<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/quality-counts/>

****Quality counts must be completed/updated if participating at State Fair of Texas.**

Spring 2024 Major Show Validation Orders

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

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

	Price	Due Date	Late Price	Late Cutoff	Validation
Heifers			\$30	10/10	10/29
Lambs & Goats (market or breeding)			\$27	10/10	10/28
Swine			\$20	10/10	11/19

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.

Mark your calendars for Major Show Entry Days- November 3rd from 3-5pm and November 4th from 5-7pm. All entries for Fort Worth, Houston, Rodeo Austin, San Angelo, and San Antonio must be done on one of these days (livestock and non-livestock).



Montgomery County Fair Important dates:

Fair Queen applications due 10/4

Replacement Heifer tag-in 10/8

Filly & Gelding tag-in 10/15

2025 rule book and schedules have
been posted: <https://mcfa.org/>



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2025 LIVESTOCK TAG-IN SCHEDULE

MARKET STEER OCT. 10, 2024	REPLACEMENT HEIFER OCT. 8, 2024
FILLY & GELDING OCT. 15, 2024	FURRY & MARKET RABBIT NOV. 13, 2024 <small>TRUSTED TO SHOW FURRY DATE</small>
BRIDLEBY NOV. 15, 2024 <small>1 PERSON PER HORSE ONLY</small>	MARKET LAMB & GOAT DEC. 3, 2024
MARKET BARROW JAN. 1, 2025	BREEDING BEEF* JAN. 15, 2025 <small>*PREFER VERIFICATION, NO ARRIVAL</small>
BEDDLE PICK-UP FEB. 21, 2025	MARKET RABBIT TAG-IN MAY 11, 2025

**** LAST DAY TO ORDER SEPTEMBER 22ND!**

Gildan Heavy Cotton™
Youth T-Shirt



County T-shirts

Use the QR code to order now
through September 22nd.
You can have them shipped to your home
for a fee or choose organization pickup
and there will be no charge.



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Fall Fundraiser



Pecan sales begin in September. This is the major source of income for the Montgomery County 4-H program. These funds go directly back to you in the form of educational programs, registration fees, equipment, and curriculum. You will pick up your fundraiser packet at your September club meeting. All orders will be turned in to your pecan leader at your October meeting. No orders are to be directly turned into the 4-H office. Once your club's order is turned in, pre-sale orders cannot be added. Any orders after that will be late pre-sale orders at the increased price and will need to be turned in at pecan pickup in November.

Pre-sale: \$12/lb halves or pieces

Post pre-sale: \$12.50/lb. halves or pieces



NOT SURE WHAT PROJECTS YOU WANT TO TRY? COME LEARN MORE AT OUR INTRO MEETINGS.

- Fashion & Interior Design 9/22 2-4pm Extension Office*
- STEM and Robotics 9/24 6:30pm Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg.
- Photography basics 9/28 9am-12pm Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg.*
- Quiz Bowl 10/1 6:30pm Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg.*

*flyer attached





Horse Judging Dates

9/30, 10/7, 11/11, 12/2, 1/7, 2/3, 3/3, and 4/7

6:30pm at the Extension Office

Montgomery County Horsemanship Team
meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month
at 6:30pm at the Extension Office

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

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

Program: Cassidy Hope Foundation
Community Service Project: Texas Litter Control Cleaning Supply Drive
*flyer attached

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/wgcb8PA9CK3Ugyvc8>

Rabbit Project

Texas ARBA Rabbit Clinic

9/27 4-8pm Montgomery County Fairgrounds

- Showmanship
- Handling/Posing
- Prepping for Shows
- Daily care/food/nutrition
- Contest information and more

*Flyer attached

Robotics

Important
dates and
contests



THANK YOU!

Commissioner's Court Appreciation Tuesday, October 8, 2024



The purpose of this event is to show our Commissioner's Court and County Judge how much we appreciate their support of the 4-H program and to showcase the highlights of the 4-H program in Montgomery County. We will attend Commissioner's Court and present each Commissioner and the County Judge with a specialty prepared basket filled with items donated by our clubs. Each club is encouraged to contribute and donate 5 identical gift items for the baskets. Ideas include treats baked by the club's Food & Nutrition project members, mugs, candles, etc. Please keep in mind our Commissioner's Court is made up of all male representatives. The items need to be to the 4-H office by Friday, October 4th. We also need volunteers (members and adults) to help present the baskets. If you would like to help out, please call the office by Friday, October 4th to let us know.

One Day 4-H

What can your club do to make a difference in your community?

Report your project here:

<https://forms.office.com/r/kAAYaGURHC>

One Day 4-H shirts can be ordered through 9/15 here: <https://texas-4-h-online-store-fall-2024.itemorder.com/shop/home/>



Tractor Supply Clover Campaign October 2-13

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.)