Montgomery County 4-H Weekly Updates



October 18-25, 2024

Office hours: Mon-Fri 8am-12pm; 1pm-5pm Ph (936)539-7823 <u>https://agrilife.org/montgomery4h</u>/ Facebook @<u>4hmontgomerycounty</u>

Important Dates

October 2024

- 10/20 Fashion & Interior Design Project meeting, 2-4pm, RSVP by 10/17
- 10/21 Christmas sock designs due
- 10/22 Record Keeping training 6:30pm, Extension Office, RSVP
- 10/24 Scholarship training, TEAMS
- 10/28 Lamb & Goat validation 4-7pm, Fairgrounds, signup genius for times

County Council meeting, 7pm Thomas LeRoy Education Building, RSVP for dinner

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

Shooting Sports Fun Shoot 4-7pm, Pavilion, sign up genius

STEM night 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Building, RSVP

November 2024

11/2 Aggiefest Judging Clinics

11/3 Major Show entry night 3-5pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Building, signup genius

11/4 Major Show entry night 5-7pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Building, signup genius Non-Livestock workshop, 6:30pm, Fair Office

- 11/8-9 District 9 Junior Leadership Lab
- 11/10 Fashion & Interior Design project meeting 2-4pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Building, RSVP
- 11/11 Office closed for Veteran's Day
- 11/14 Food & Nutrition Night 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Building, RSVP
- 11/15 MCFA Turkey & Rabbit Intent to Show forms due to Fair office MCFA Broiler orders due to 4-H office

11/19 County Council Meeting 7pm, RSVP if you are coming for dinner at 6:30 Swine validation 4-7pm, Fairgrounds, sign up genius

11/28-29 Office closed for Thanksgiving

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

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

Actual validations are held at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds. 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. If you are entering ANY contests at in ANY of these shows (Fort Worth, Houston, Rodeo Austin, San Angelo, and San Antonio), all entries must be done on one of these days. Sign up for a time here:
@ 2025 Spring Major Show Entry

*Contest list attached

MontgomeryCounty Fair Important dates:

Turkey & Market Rabbit Intent to Show forms due 11/15 Broiler Orders due to 4-H office 11/15 Link to order form: https://agrilife.org/montgomery4h/files/2024/10/MCF-Broiler-Order-Form-2025.pdf

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



* 2025 LIVESTOCK TAG-IN SCHEDULE *

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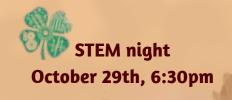
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October Project Meetings

RSVP here: https://agrilife.org/montgomery4h/rsvp/

Fashion & Interior Design October 20th, 2-4pm

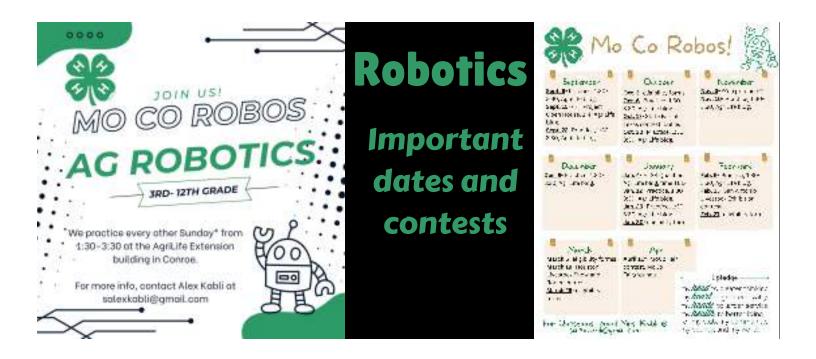




Montgomery County Horse Project

We are excited to announce the 4-H Horse Project Program Area Committee has completed the Horse Project Clinic Criteria for the 2024-2025 4-H year. For returning members, you will notice some big changes. The Criteria is posted on the County 4-H webpage. The Committee has worked hard to schedule a series of clinics for the year. Each clinic will be followed by an individual evaluation of your performance in the topic for the day. Due to the nature of the clinics, it is imperative that you register to attend at the RSVP Hub on the County 4-H website. Since we are not conducting practice horse shows, to support the Montgomery County 4-H Horsemanship Club in providing these clinics, there will be a \$10 fee to participate paid through PayPal. We also ask that parents volunteer to assist with the check in and support clinic activities by signing up through Signup Genius. No horse experience or knowledge is required of the tasks to assist with. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4EABAA23A6FDCF8-51992285-volunteer

Horse Judging Dates 11/11, 12/2, 1/7, 2/3, 3/3, and 4/7 6:30pm at the Extension Office Upcoming clinics: Reining & Transitions Clinic October 27, 2024 RSVP by October 23rd here: https://forms.gle/8m5SYniJX1BCpLfX6 Performance Clinic November 10, 2024 Ranch/In Hand Handling Clinic November 26,2024 Working Cow Clinic December 7, 2024





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November 8-9, 2024 Caldwell, TX Intermediate aged 4-H members 6th-8th grade Sign up in 4honline *scan QR code for more information

Christmas Sock Design Contest Enter by October21st



Record Keeping Training



October 22, 2024 6:30pm Extension Office

In the next 5-10 years will you be applying for a job, a scholarship, trade school, or college? All applications request information about extracurricular activities, leadership, and community service. Whether you are in elementary or high school a 4-H Record Book will be a great resource to you.Join us to find out what kind of information you need to be keeping, how to keep up with it, and why.



Scholarship Training



Shooting Sports Fall Fun Shoot Tuesday, October 29th from 4-7:30pm



Have you ever wanted to try out Shooting Sports? Come to the Fall Fun Shoot and try out BB, air rifle, and air pistol. All 4-Hers are invited. Teams of 1 adult and 1 child will compete for prizes. Club equipment will be provided. \$5 entry fee

Sign up here:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D49A4AF28A4F58-51974525-fall#/



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.)