Montgomery County 4-H Weekly Updates



October 4-11, 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

- 10/6-10/12 National 4-H Week
- 10/7 Floral Design class, 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg. RSVP
- 10/8 Commissioner's Court Appreciation

MCFA Replacement heifer tag-in

10/10 Late tag orders due

10/12 One Day 4-H

- 10/15 MCFA Filly & Gelding tag-in
- 10/16 Junior Leadership Lab registration due
- 10/17 Pecan Orders due to the office from pecan leaders only, please call to schedule a time

Food & Nutrition night 6:30pm, RSVP

- 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

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).

MontgomeryCounty Fair Important dates:

Fair Queen applications due 10/4 Replacement Heifer tag-in 10/8 https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B4BAFAB2AAAFB6-51373659-2025 Filly & Gelding tag-in 10/15 https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A49A8A72FA6F94-51932035-25filly#/

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

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* 2025 LIVESTOCK TAG-IN SCHEDULE =

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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

October Project Meetings

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



Junior Master Gardener October 5th, 2-4pm



Floral Design October 7th, 6:30pm



Food & Nutrition Night October 17th, 6:30pm



Public Speaking project Virtual meeting October 17th 6:30pm *flyer attached



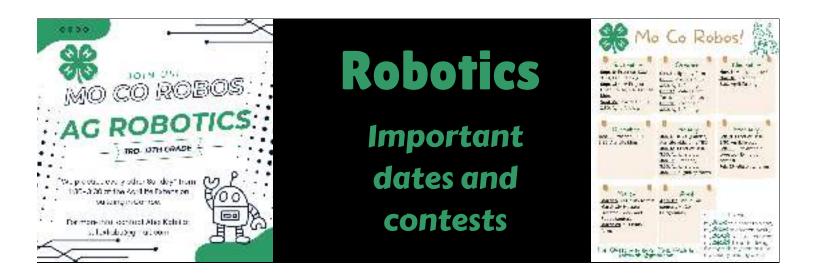
Fashion & Interior Design October 10th, 2-4pm

STEM night 💏 October 29th, 6:30pm



Horse Judging Dates 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



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.



This is a week 4-Hers across the nation work extra hard to promote and showcase what they have gained from their 4-H involvement

4-Hers are encouraged to

- talk about 4-h
- wear a 4-H shirt
- pass out 4-H brochures







Tractor Supply Clover Campaign dates have changed. New dates: November 29-December 15



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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





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



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.)