



Montgomery County 4-H Weekly Updates **March 21-28, 2025**

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

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Important Dates

March 2025

3/21 MCFA Photo entries due

3/23 Fashion & Interior Design project meeting 2-4pm, Thomas LeRoy Ed. Bldg., RSVP

3/24 County Council meeting 7pm, Thomas LeRoy Ed. Bldg., RSVP for dinner at 6:30pm

3/27 County Roundup 2-6pm, Thomas LeRoy Ed. Bldg., RSVP

County deadline for State Photography entries

3/29 TAMU Judging Clinics call the office to do an entry through Judging Card

April 2025

4/1 Validation tag orders due for lamb, goat, steer, and heifers for Fall 25 shows

4/2 District 9 Roundup entries due through 4honline

District 9 Livestock Judging entries open

4/3-4/13 Montgomery County Fair

4/5 Open Gardens Day 9am-12pm, Extension Office

4/12 District Horse Judging, Rifle, and Air rifle/pistol contests

4/16 D-9 Livestock Judging entries due

4/18 Extension Office closed for Good Friday

4/22 Record Book Training 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg. RSVP

4/24-4/26 Big Time in D-9 Roundup Contests, Lone Star College Campus

4/28 County Council Meeting and Officer Elections 7pm, Thomas LeRoy Ed. Bldg.

4/29 Club Manager training 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg., RSVP



We still have pecans!

We have a limited supply of extra pecans for sale in the Extension Office. 1-pound bags of halves for \$12.50/bag. We are open 8:15am-12pm or 1pm-4:45pm Monday-Friday. Cash or check are the only forms of payment accepted.



County 4-H t-shirts

We have extra youth sized t-shirts available for purchase at the office.

**Sizes Youth Small-Large.
2 colors available, \$13 each.**



Scholarship Opportunities

Montgomery County Scholarships

Due 4/1

To apply go to: <https://montgomery.agrilife.org/home/scholarships/>

Capital Farm Credit

Due by April 1st

https://cfc.smapply.us/prog/cfc_scholarship/

***flyer attached**

TEXAS A&M
AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION

Agriculture/Natural Resources Scholarship

**Sponsored by Mo. County Soil & Water Conservation District & Lake Creek
Greenway Partnership**

Due 5/1

***application attached**

Project Information

*Be sure to check out any attachments also



Montgomery County Fair

Important dates:

Re-tag date 3/22
4/7-4/8 Kids days, volunteers needed sign up here:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B4BAFAB2AAAFB6-54455092-kids>

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



2025 LIVESTOCK TAG-IN SCHEDULE	
MARKET STEER OCT. 18, 2024	REPLACEMENT HEIFER OCT. 8, 2024
FILLY & BELDING OCT. 18, 2024	TURKEY & MARKET RABBIT NOV. 23, 2024 <small>TURKEY TO SHOW FORMER DATE</small>
BREEDER* NOV. 15, 2024 <small>*TWO HOUR FORMER DATE</small>	MARKET LAMB & GOAT DEC. 5, 2024
MARKET BARROW JAN. 7, 2025	BREEDING BEEF* JAN. 18, 2025 <small>*THREE HOUR VERIFICATION, NO KIDNAPS</small>
BREEDER PICK-UP FEB. 21, 2025	MARKET RABBIT TAG-IN MAR. 11, 2025

***Eligibility forms for the fair will be distributed at your March club meeting and will be due back at least a week before your event. You will need to get these forms from your club manager not the Extension office.**

Fall 2025 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	\$27	4/1	\$30	6/5	6/27
Lambs & Goats (market or breeding)	\$17	4/1	\$27	6/5	6/26
Steer (Fall 25 & Spring 26 shows)	\$27	4/1	\$30	6/5	6/30
Swine	\$17	4/22	\$20	6/5	6/30

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.



Aggiefest Judging Clinics March 29, 2025



Other clinics offered: meat and wool judging
*Call the office to register through judging card

2025 Leon County Youth Livestock Show Agricultural Product Identification Contest



Leon County contests April 11, 2025



HORSE PROJECT

Horse validation open in 4-H online March 1-April 15

UPCOMING CLINIC

April 13, 2025

Tammy Ahrendt Speed Clinic

Last Horse Judging Meeting for the year 4/7, 6:30pm at the Extension Office.



**Food Contests
register
through March 31,
2025**



REGISTER NOW!

Buc Days Festival Grounds
Corpus Christi, TX

Age Divisions
Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Registration Ends
March 31, 2025
Limited availability

BUC DAYS FOOD Show
FRIDAY MAY 9, 2025
\$5,000 in prize money awarded

BUC DAYS FOOD Challenge
SATURDAY MAY 10, 2025
\$7,500 in prize money awarded

**Virtual Sportfishing
Program**
Entries close March 15th
late registration
March 16-April 30



SPRING 2025

TEXAS 4-H VIRTUAL SPORTFISHING PROGRAM

Program Highlights:

- 4-H Virtual Sportfishing Program
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Registration:

- 4-H Virtual Sportfishing Program
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Participation Fee:

- 4-H Virtual Sportfishing Program
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COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 24, 2025

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

Program: Floral Design

Community Service Project: Toiletry drive for the homeless

RSVP on the hub

County Roundup

Tuesday March 27, 2-6pm (come and go)

Thomas LeRoy Education Building

Everyone may advance to District 4-H Roundup April 24-26.

This is a practice to get feedback on how to improve before competing in District Roundup. Sign up on the RSVP hub.

Quiz bowls

Science Fair

Wildlife Contest

Educational Presentation/
Public Speaking

Fashion Contests



District 9 4-H Roundup

April 24-26 at Lonestar College Campus

***Entries open 3/19-4/2**

For more information visit:
<https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/bigtime/>



Food contests

Skillathons

Consumer Decision Making

Ag Product ID

Photography

Judging
contests

Talent
showcase



TEXAS 4-H COUNCIL AT-LARGE DELEGATE



Applications are now open until March 27, 2025

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

AT-Large Delegates serve as ambassadors for the Texas 4-H program. Members represent the organization statewide while collaborating with Extension faculty to plan, coordinate, and facilitate activities and events.



Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors work with Extension agents to help provide leadership with programs. You will become knowledgeable and skilled in the healthy lifestyles subject matter. You will also learn to coordinate and present educational events that will encourage better health in your community.

- High school aged
- 12 month commitment
- Have a passion for health and wellness
- 40 hours of community service

Applications open March 1st-April 1st

Ambassador Opportunities

Equine, Livestock, and Poultry Ambassadors applications are open through April 15th

Selection Criteria:

- Senior level (9-12th grade in fall 2025) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding his/her livestock/equine/poultry projects
- Students with a profound interest in animal/equine/poultry science, animal production and advocacy
- Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others
- Top 25% class rank

Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador applications open 3/1-3/31
Water Ambassador applications open 3/15-5/1

For more information visit: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ambassadors/>

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.)