

# **MONTGOMERY COUNTY 4-H FOCUS**



The Extension Office will be closed Tuesday, November 11, 2025 for Veteran's Day Thursday-Friday, November 27-28, 2025 Thanksgiving



Thank you to all that participated in the annual 4-H fundraiser. This is the major source of income for our 4-H program. Any orders that members have accepted after pre-orders were turned in are considered post pre-sales (\$12.50/lb) and will need to be turned into the pecan leader to be added to the club's total order on pecan pickup day. Pecans usually arrive the week before Thanksgiving.

#### VOLUNTEER TODAY. INSPIRE FOR

A LIFETIME. Nobody is too old for 4-H!! Adult volunteers are always needed to help grow our 4-H program. Sign up on 4honline to be an approved volunteer and find out how you can help your club.



## 2025-2026 Member Enrollment

The current 4-H enrollment fee is \$25 through October 31st. The fee will go up to \$30 on November 1st. If you have not already enrolled on 4honline, be sure and do so by the 31st to avoid extra fees. You must be enrolled to participate in any 4-H activities.

## **NOVEMBER 2025**

PHONE: 936-539-7823

ON THE WEB: COUNTY 4-H

https://agrilife.org/montgomery4h/

**RSVP HUB** 

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

FACEBOOK

@4HMontgomeryCounty

SERVICE
montgomery.agrilife.org

DISTRICT

d94-h.tamu.edu

**STATE** texas4-h.tamu.edu

**OFFICE HOURS** 8:00AM-12PM 1:00PM-5:00PM

#### MICHELLE MIHALEK

County Extension Agent 4-H Youth Development

#### **ALYSSA SIMS**

County Extension Agent Urban Youth Development

> JO PICKEN 4-H Program Assistan

**TAMI WARD**4-H Volunteer Coordinator





# **County Council**

County Council meetings are typically held the 4th Monday of the month at 7pm at the Extension Office. Club delegates are strongly encouraged to attend, but everyone is welcome. This is great way to meet 4-Hers from all over the county and hear what is going on in their clubs.

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 7pm

**Community Service: Veterans cards** 

Dinner is served at 6:30pm. This month's dinner will be Frito pie and hot dogs. RSVP on the hub if you would like to come early for dinner.

# **Spring 2025 Major Shows**

Fort Worth Stock Show, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Rodeo Austin, San Angelo, San Antonio



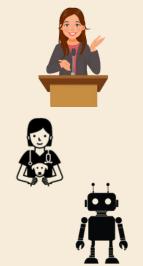
Entry Days November 2 (3-5pm)
November 3 (5-7pm)

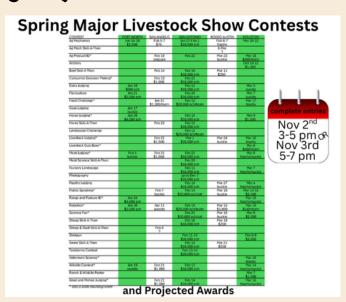


Livestock & Non-Livestock participants must submit an entry at this entry night.

\*\*If you cannot attend this entry day, you must make arrangements with
the 4-H office to get your entries completed before November 2nd.

## **Spring Major Show Non Livestock contests**











# LIVESTOCK PROJECTS

## **Spring 2026 Major Show Validation**

Swine validation November 18, 2025 4-7pm at the Fairgrounds Sign-up genius will be sent to sign up for a time.

\*This validation date is NOT for county fair, but major shows only.

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

Link: https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx

(grades 6-8), and once as a Senior (grades 9-12). If you don't know your QC#, call the 4-H office.



- Swine Speaker Block Burch
   Swine Speaker Riggin Barham
   Broiler Workshop Texas A&M AgriLife
   Extension Poultry Science
- 4:30 pm Showmanship Contest 6:00 pm Dinner provided by Holiday Classic

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

7:15 am - Nondenominational Church Service 8:00 am - Prospect Show • Beef Judge - Holli Baker • Goat Judge - Brock Burch • Lamb Judge - Sam Spradlin • Swine Judge - Riggin Barham



7:30 - 8:45 AM Arrival and Stalling of Animals 8:45 AM Weight Cards Due 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Species Clinics (beef, goat, sheep, swine) 1:00 PM Register on Eventbrite by scanning the QR code below

TEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION

Schedule of Events:

Saturday, December 6

FREE Saturday evening meal. Concession stands available.













Coastal Bend Classic

December 6, 2025 San Patricio County Fairgrounds, 219 W. 5th, Sinton, TX 78387

2025 JUDGES Swine Judge - Austin Lang Cattle Judge - Kirk Stier Goat Judge - Marty Gib Lamb Judge - Caleb Kn Lamb Clinician - Nathon M



#### December 12-13, 2025

**Brazos County Expo Center** 

#### WHAT IS SOUTHERN CLASSIC?

Southern Classic is an educational opportunity for new 4-H/FFA families participating in livestock projects to teach the basic principals of livestock management.

#### **Breakout Sessions**

- Include:
- Feeding
- & MORE

TEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION

Registration info to come!

Workshops, sessions, & the prospect show will be condensed into just ONE DAY! Everything will happ on SATURDAY, DEC 13.

**NEW THIS YEAR!** 

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension provides equal opportunities in its programs and

# **Horse Project**







# **Montgomery County Fair**



# 11/6 Junior Non-Livestock Workshop



# Fashion and Interior Design





# **Food and Nutrition**













# **Project Leader Training**





# **Natural Resources**

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#### 2025-2026 UPCOMING EVENTS



State Fair Wildlife



Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show and Rodeo Wildlife Contest



State Student Air Rifle (SAR) Tournament



4-H Wildlife Challenge



4-H White-tailed Deer Youth Hunt



4-H Outdoor Challenge



4-H Sportfishing Project Leader Training





4-H Outdoor Challenge Discovery Event



4-H Natural Resource



Photography Contest



4-H Outdoor School



Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo Wildlife

Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Trainings - Various

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Wildlife Contest



# TEXAS 4-H OUTDOOR CHALLENGE DISCOVERY EVENT

### **NOVEMBER 11, 2025**

#### Come participate to:

 Discover more about the 4-H Outdoor Challenge and how it works

- Prepare yourself to take on the larger 10-event 4-H Outdoor Challenge Contest held every June
- Compete in events including Air Riflery, Archery, Biologist Skills, Off-Road Biking, and Outdoor Skills



#### THE NATURE CONSERVANCY DAVIS MOUNTAINS PRESERVE . JEFF DAVIS COUNT

Registration open September 29 -October 27 via 4-H Online

The Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge Discovery Event is hosted by District 6 4-H and open to all Texas 4-H Members.

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Purpose:

to encourage observation within specific 4-H Natural Resources project areas and allow youth to demonstrate skills learned in the area of photography.

#### Categories:

Aquatic Science / Entomology Shooting Sports / Forestry Sportfishing / Range Science Hunting / Outdoor Education Wildlife & Fisheries **Water Conservation & Education** 

#### REGISTRATION \$10/photo

#### Open to:

Any enrolled 4-H Member (Jr./Int./Sr.) or CEA/Program Assistant/Volunteer Rules to be posted on Texas 4-H Natural Resources webpages \*\*Contestant does not need to be active in a

#### Natural Resources project area\*\* Registration through 4HOnline

Entries Open: December 1, 2025 Entries Close: December 15, 2025

\*\*IMPORTANT\*\* Participants will upload photos in a separate system called Submittable. Instructions and a direct link will be provided during the 4HOnline registration process.







## Volunteers needed



Community
Service
Opportunities









DISTRICT 9 SOUTHEAST REGION



DATE: TIME: LOCATION: EVENT:

#### December 2025

· 12/2

• 12/7 2-4pm

· 12/14

• 12/16 7pm

• 12/19 6:30pm

12/24-25

**Fairgrounds** 

**Extension Office** 

**Tractor Supply** 

Thomas LeRoy Ed. Bldg

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MCF lamb/goat tag-in

**Hope & Holly Celebration** 

**Clover Campaign ends** 

**County Council meeting** 

**STEM Night** 

**Extension Office Closed** 

## **Eligibility Forms**

Eligibility forms are REQUIRED for every event you attend that requires 4-H membership, whether a school absence is needed or not. A separate form is needed for each event, but you can make a list and submit these requests all at once for all events that take place within a single grading period. When you enter any major show or the fair, you do not need to request a form. These will automatically be sent to Instead of calling or emailing, you can submit online you. your request https://forms.gle/5huki78NZDKr3L7c9. If you are able to provide an email address for the individual who will be responsible for these on your campus and willing to send us a copy of your signature, we will get this completed digitally. Forms are processed on Mondays and Thursdays.

Given enough time, we can also mail a hard copy to you or you may stop by the office to pick it up. Before taking to campus, parents must sign the form and fill in the dates if requesting an excused absence. When the school returns these to you, make sure they have checked the boxes indicating you are eligible, whether or not an excused absence will be granted, and that you have a signature at the bottom. Once you receive the physical copy back from the school, you are responsible for returning it to us BEFORE the event. Our standard timeline is to have the form on file a week before the event or competition. If you are in a time crunch, you may email the form before the event and then drop a hard copy in the mail. There is not an acceptable version of the eligibility form online, this must be requested through our office.

If you have special needs for any of the programs offered at the County or District level, please give us a least five days' notice.

We will make every reasonable effort to accommodate your needs.

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# Montgomery County 4-H 2025-26



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 Spring Major Show entry day 3-5pm *Sign up genius	3 Spring Major Show entry day 5-7pm *Sign up genius	4	5	6	7	8
9 Fashion & Interior Design project meeting 2-4pm	10	Sorry We're CLOSED  Veterans Day	12 MCF Broiler Orders due to Extension Office	13	Turkey & Rabbit 14 Intent to Show Forms due to Fair Office by 3pm *Food & Nutrition Night 6:30pm, Thom Leroy Bldg	15
16	17	18 Swine Validation 4- 7pm, Fairgrounds Sign-up Genius *County Council Meeting 7pm	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	Sorry We're CLOSED  Thanksgiving	Sorry We're CLOSED Tractor Supply Clover Campaign starts	29
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# Montgomery County 4-H 2025-26



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 MCF Lamb & Goat tag-in, Fairgrounds	3	4	5	6
Hope & Holly celebration 2-4pm, Extension Office, sign up to volunteer	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	*County Council meeting 7pm, Tom LeRoy Ed. Bldg.	17	18	*STEM Night 6:30pm, Tom Le Roy Ed. Bldg. RSVP	20
21	22	23	CLOSED	CLOSED 25	26	27
28	29	30	31			