



# Montgomery County 4-H Weekly Updates

**March 13-20, 2026**

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

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<https://agrillife.org/montgomery4h/>

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## Important Dates

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### March 2026

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- 3/19 MCF Rabbit tag-in
- 3/20 MCF Photo entries due
- 3/22 Horse Project Speed Clinic, Magnolia Arena, RSVP
- 3/23 County Council meeting 7pm Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg. RSVP for dinner at 6:30pm
- 3/25 D9 Horse Judging, Photography, and Air Rifle/Pistol entries due
- 3/26 County Roundup 2-6pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg., sign up genius
- 3/26 Senior State Photography entries due to Alyssa

### April 2026

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- 4/1 Big Time in D9 entries due
- 4/2 Validation tag orders due for Fall 2026 shows**
- 4/3 Good Friday-Extension Office closed
- 4/8 District 9 Livestock, Meats, and Soil Judging entries due in 4honline
- 4/9-19 Montgomery County Fair
- 4/13 State Roundup registration opens in 4honline
- 4/15 Water Ambassador applications due
- 4/18 District 9 Horse Judging and Air Rifle/Pistol contests
- 4/21 Club Manager training 6:30pm, Extension Office, RSVP
- 4/24-25 Big Time in D-9 Roundup, Lone Star College Campus
- 4/27 County Council 7pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg, RSVP for dinner at 6:30pm
- 4/28 Record Book Training 6:30pm, Thomas LeRoy Education Bldg., RSVP

# Scholarship Opportunities



## Montgomery County Scholarships

<https://montgomery.agrilife.org/home/scholarships/>

### Capital Farm Credit

**Due by March 16**

[https://cfc.smapply.us/prog/cfc\\_scholarship/](https://cfc.smapply.us/prog/cfc_scholarship/)  
\*flyer attached

### Dr. O.D. Butler Memorial Scholarship

**Due Friday, March 20, 2026 by 5pm.**

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1g72KYB53bT9MS98kBW9G9lruhoxwczmt/edit>

**Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District & Lake Creek Greenway Partnership will award a \$1500 Scholarship to students studying/training in an Agriculture or Natural Resource Management related to Agriculture field.**

**Applications due by May 1. (see attached)**



## Texas 4-H Congress Applications due March 20, 2026 to the Extension Office



**THIS IS A 4 DAY MOCK LEGISLATIVE EXPERIENCE THAT WILL TAKE PLACE  
JULY 19-22, 2026 AT THE TEXAS STATE CAPITOL.  
SENIORS GOING IN TO 9TH GRADE--JUST GRADUATED 12TH GRADE ARE ELIGIBLE  
TO APPLY. APPLICATIONS DUE TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY MARCH 20TH.  
\*APPLICATION ATTACHED**



# County Council

County Council meetings are held the 4th Monday of the month at 7pm at the Extension Office unless otherwise specified. 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: Monday, March 23, 2026 at 7pm  
 Program: Camp Hope  
 Community Service: Camp Hope donation drive  
 Dinner is served at 6:30pm. This month's dinner will be spaghetti. RSVP on the hub by 3/20 if you would like to come early for dinner.

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY MARCH SERVICE PROJECT



### CAMP HOPE DONATIONS

"Camp Hope is a (free) six-nine month interim housing program located in Houston, Texas ... We aim to relieve the effects of combat trauma through ... peer support, mentor programs, and professional development for America's warriors and their families. ... There is no other location like it in the United States." In March, we will be collecting these items to support our veterans suffering from PTSD:

- ◻ CANDY, ASSORTED
- ◻ BREAD (SLICED)
- ◻ BOTTLED WATER
- ◻ BREAKFAST CEREAL
- ◻ COFFEE CREAMER
- ◻ COFFEE - 8-CUPS GROUND, TEA
- ◻ SANDWICH BAGS
- ◻ ATHLETIC GYM SHORTS, M-4-XL-2XL
- ◻ GOLD BOND FOOT POWDER
- ◻ DENTAL PLACKERS
- ◻ MOUTHWASH - NON-ALCOHOLIC
- ◻ RUNNING SHOES - MEN'S (SIZES 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14)
- ◻ ATHLETIC SHIRTS M-4-XL-2XL HOUSEKEEPING
- ◻ MULTI-PURPOSE CLEANER
- ◻ PAPER TOWELS
- ◻ DISH WASHING SOAP, LIQUID
- ◻ TOILET PAPER
- ◻ LAUNDRY DETERGENT
- ◻ FLOOR CLEANER
- ◻ GLASS CLEANER WITH SPRAY BOTTLE
- ◻ BLEACH
- ◻ TOILET BRUSH
- ◻ LIQUID HAND SOAP
- ◻ TRASH BAGS (13 GALLON)
- ◻ DISPENSER PAPER TOWELS (TRIFOLD) RED & BATH TOWELS (FULL SIZE) AND WASH RAGS (WHITE) SHEETS, TWIN
- ◻ HANGERS
- ◻ PILLOWS (STANDARD)
- ◻ BLANKETS (COMFORTERS TWIN SIZE)
- ◻ MICRO-PLUSH BLANKET UPDATED: AUGUST 1 CLASSROOM & OFFICE
- ◻ ALARM CLOCKS
- ◻ BACKPACKS
- ◻ PACKING TAPE
- ◻ DRY ERASE MARKERS
- ◻ PERMANENT MARKERS
- ◻ RAINERS 1" & 2"
- ◻ POSTAGE STAMPS FACILITIES
- ◻ A/C FILTER - 16X25X2; 12X12-4X1
- ◻ AIR FILTER FOR HOMES-20; 20X20X1; 20X20X1; 16X12X1; 18X18X1
- ◻ BATTERIES - 9V AND AAA
- ◻ CANDELABRA LIGHT BULBS(SMALL BANE)
- ◻ LIGHT BULBS - ENERGY EFFICIENT, 40W, 15W - INDOOR, CEILING
- ◻ FISH BROOM
- ◻ SPARTAN MOSQUITO REPELLENT
- ◻ MOTOR OIL (5W-30)



BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO THE THOMAS LEROY EDUCATION BUILDING AT THE MARCH COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING (MARCH 23, 7:00 PM)



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## SUMMER 2026 CAMPS



- Mini Camp:** July 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 - \$325
- Specialty Camp Week:** July 6<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026
  - 4-H Hunting Camp - \$505
  - Aperture Academy- \$500
  - Arts & Crafts- \$500
  - Fishing Camp- \$500
  - Food Challenge - \$500
  - Refashion- \$500
  - Ropes & Team Building - \$500
  - Sports & Games - \$500
- County Camp I:** July 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - \$500
- Teen Adventure Camp:** July 19<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - \$500
- County Camp II:** July 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - \$500
- County Camp III:** August 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - \$500
- MyPi Camp:** August 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - \$600

Payments can be made over time and are due a month before camp begins.

Early Bird Special: \$25 off Each Camp until March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026



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<https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu>

# CAMPS

## Summer 2026 AT THE TEXAS 4-H CENTER!

Get Ready for a summer full of friends, fun, and unforgettable adventures!

**MINI CAMP** July 1-3 | \$325  
 Ages 8-14

A perfect introduction to 4-H camping! Enjoy swimming, crafts, games, and campfires while making new friends and lasting memories.

**SPECIALTY CAMP WEEK** July 6-10 | \$500  
 Ages 8-14

- 4-H Hunting Camp (Extra \$5 fee for Hunting Certification)
- Food Challenge Camp
- Ropes and Team Building
- Arts & Crafts Camp
- Sports & Games
- Fishing Camp
- Aperture Academy (Ages: 10-14)

**COUNTY CAMPS** July 12-16 | \$500  
 July 26-30 | August 2-6 | Ages 8-14

County Camp gives youth the chance to dive deeper into their favorite activities by choosing three focus areas—plus enjoy all the classic 4-H camp fun, from games and swimming to campfires and new friends!

**TEEN ADVENTURE CAMP** July 19-24 | \$600  
 Ages 13-18

Teen Adventure Camp is packed with excitement and challenge—teens will build leadership skills, tackle outdoor adventures, and make lasting memories with friends!

Location: Texas 4-H Center

Register today at <https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/>

Email: [makayla.waizer@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:makayla.waizer@ag.tamu.edu) Call: (325) 784-5482

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JUNE 15-19 2026

## Mission

TO PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE CAREER AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN A DIVERSE GLOBAL ECONOMY AS WELL AS LEARN ABOUT POST-SECONDARY DEGREE INSTITUTIONS ACROSS TEXAS



Participants that are not selected for the 2026 CORE Academy will be refunded their \$250. Once selected, payments will not be refunded.

Core4H

\$250 Application

- Includes
  - 5 Day/4 Nights Exploration
  - Hotel
  - Meals
  - Transportation

April 15<sup>th</sup>

- Registration Deadline
- Payment MUST be Submitted

### GOALS

- Experiences in
  - Higher Education
  - Career Choices
  - Teambuilding
  - Networking

CLICK HERE

Register NOW



Questions Please Contact

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 Kara.spangler@ag.tamu.edu  
 830-796-7755

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 Jennifer.Smith@ag.tamu.edu  
 830-257-6568

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DISCOUNT END 3/15**

\* Registration closes March 13th.

**Cost: \$210 per camper**  
(includes 2 nights dorm lodging, meals, t-shirt, water bottle and activities)

# Lone Star 4-H Splash Camp

Presented by  
**Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors**

Take the plunge for a fun-filled weekend with the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors. Immerse yourself in hands-on and interactive water activities and expand your knowledge and appreciation of all things WATER. Make new friends and lasting memories!

**Open to 6th - 8th grade students**

**March 27th - 29th, 2026**

Texas 4-H Center; 5400 FM 3021 Brownwood, Texas

**Registration is now open on the Texas 4-H Center's website and closes March 13th, 2026.**

**Camp Activities:**

- Water Fair
- Fishing
- Kayaking
- Seining
- Water model building
- High ropes course
- Dance & games

Check-in: Friday, March 27th 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  
Pick-up: Sunday, March 29th 11:00 AM

**Adult Chaperones Needed.**  
(Chaperones may attend free of charge but must register and be approved Texas 4-H Adult Volunteers.)

For more information, contact us at:  
david.smith@ag.tamu.edu  
makayla.waiser@ag.tamu.edu  
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**COST: \$600**

**TEXAS 4-H CENTER**  
SINCE 1975

# TEXAS 4-H CAMPS

## MYPI CAMP

August 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026

mypi  
Ages 13-19

**CAMPERS WILL COMPLETE:**

- CERT Training: Participants receive standard Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training, which includes disaster preparedness, fire safety, disaster medical operations, and light search and rescue.
- Electives & Specialized Training: This section includes CPR and AED certification, a technology track (using NOAA weather radios, HAM radios, and smartphone apps), and, in some locations, a fire service, or emergency management career track.
- The "Prep + 6" Project: A cornerstone of the program, participants are required to create emergency kits and family communication plans for their own household, plus six additional households, totaling seven families per student.

My PI (My Preparedness Initiative) is an award-winning, 3-component national curriculum for teenagers focusing on disaster preparedness, leadership and service. The program is designed to build resilience in teens and their communities.

**REGISTER TODAY**

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<https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/>

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# Registration closes March 15th

# Texas Brigades

**APPLY NOW!**

TEXASBRIGADES.ORG

**YOUTH CONSERVATION & LEADERSHIP**  
**SUMMER CAMPS**  
"Conservation Leaders in Every Community"

**ONE** application for **ALL** camps

**WHAT TO EXPECT:**

- TERRESTRIAL & UPLAND HABITATS
- WILDLIFE & LIVESTOCK MGMT
- STEWARDSHIP & READING THE LAND
- MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES & PRACTICES
- POPULATION DYNAMICS
- DATA COLLECTION & SURVEY TOOLS
- WATERSHED MGMT
- RIPARIAN DELINEATION & MGMT
- VEGETATIVE BUFFERS
- POINT-SOURCE & NPS POLLUTION
- AQUATIC PLANT SPECIES
- WADING & SHORE BIRD HABITATS
- ECOSYSTEM & WET SOIL MGMT
- MIGRATION & FLY ZONES
- TEXAS SHORE BIRDS
- VEGETATION IDENTIFICATION & MGMT
- BAY & ESTUARY PLANTINGS
- MARSH & WETLAND ECOLOGY
- WATER QUALITY & POLLUTION SCIENCE
- DIVERSE AQUATIC HABITATS & SAMPLING
- BENEFITS OF FUNCTIONING ECOSYSTEMS

**CAMP APPLICATION PERIOD: NOVEMBER 1st - MARCH 15th**

Brigade camps are wildlife and natural resource focused leadership camps that provide an intensive & exciting educational experience. For 2026, cadets learn from professionals about the biology, habitat, and ecology of each camp's focus subject while strengthening leadership, team-building, and critical-thinking skills.

AGES: 13-17 (MUST BE 13 AT CAMP)  
DURATION: 5 DAYS  
DATES: JUNE & JULY (9 OPTIONS)  
LOCATION: VARIOUS  
TUITION SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE  
APPLY ONLINE (COMPETITIVE)

**CAMP APPLICATION PERIOD: NOVEMBER 1 - MARCH 15**

APPLY NOW AND RANK YOUR CAMP PREFERENCES! SELECTIONS MADE BY 4/15

**WWW.TEXASBRIGADES.ORG**  
Texas Brigades is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization est. in 1993

**TEXASBRIGADES.ORG/APPLICATIONS**

**BUILDING LEADERSHIP THROUGH CONSERVATION SCIENCE**  
Igniting passions with outdoor connections

Join us!

# Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Applications Open March 1!

[www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com](http://www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com)

## Leadership



## Mentorship



## Community Service



**Deadline: April 15th**  
**Scan for Information**  
**to Apply!**

## Eligibility

- Applicants must be 14 years of age or older by September 1, 2026, and be entering the 9th-12th grades for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Applicants must be or become a 4-H Member (\$30 annual membership fee)
- If accepted, applicants must pay \$300 membership fee by June 1st 2026

## Leadership Academies!

- SESSION 1 - Tier 1 4-H2O Leadership Academy (June 7 - June 12, 2026)
- SESSION 2 - Tier 1 4-H2O Leadership Academy (June 14 - June 18, 2026)

\*Youth will be assigned to only one session.

Contact [david.smith@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:david.smith@ag.tamu.edu) for any questions!



# HANDS HELPING HEROES

2026 Texas 4-H Community Service Project Challenge

Firefighters, law enforcement officers, and all first responders are there in life's toughest moments. Their work takes strength, resilience, and compassion under intense pressure. This year, we're collecting items to support first responders across Texas and say thank you for all they do.

## SUBMISSION DEADLINE | MAY 15TH



## Items to Collect

- Water
- Gatorade
- Electrolyte Packets
- Beef Jerky
- Protein or Granola Bars
- Professional Grade First Aid Kits
- Small Toys (Balls, Stuffed Animals, Card Games)



Each county will collect donations locally and report totals using the official QR code. All items are to be distributed within the same community, ensuring support goes directly to local first responders. The county with the most donations will win a banner!



**PAPER CLOVER**

**APRIL 17 THRU MAY 3, 2026**

Funds support 4-H camp, scholarships & leadership activities.

TRACTOR SUPPLY CO.

## PenPal for Conservation program between Texas 4-H and the Mbakaou Wildlife Education Center (MWE).



Texas 4-H youth are invited to join the PenPal for Conservation Exchange! Youth in grades 6-12 will connect with students at the Mbakaou Wildlife Education Center in Cameroon, Africa, by sharing letters, drawings, photos, and reflections about daily life, culture, and conservation. This global project promotes cultural exchange, environmental awareness, and meaningful connections between youth in Texas and Cameroon.



### How to Participate

- February 3 - Recruitment Begins

• Forty (40) Texas 4-H youth will be recruited and paired with youth from Cameroon. WhatsApp and Zoom will serve as the primary communication platforms for the exchange and will include Texas youth, Cameroon youth, and a designated adult educator in each monitored group.

- February-May - PenPal Exchange Activities

- March 16 - Participant Recruitment
- March 30 - Youth Pairs Assigned
- April 1 - Program Kickoff and Orientation
- Group Zoom Engagements (10:00 AM CST / 5:00 PM Cameroon)
- April 4
- May 2
- June 6
- July 4 or 11
- August 1
- August 15 - Final Reflection

**Ongoing Exchange**  
Participants will share letters, artwork, photos, and short videos through teacher-moderated WhatsApp groups. Monthly discussions and guided reflections during club meetings and Zoom sessions will focus on culture, conservation, and environmental practices.

For more information: [darlene.locke@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:darlene.locke@ag.tamu.edu)

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### Pen Pal Letter

**Hi!**  
My name is Cindy, and I live in Texas. I'd be really happy to be your pen pal! I'm part of 4-H, which focuses on about leadership, science, animals, and taking care of the environment. If...

**About Texas:**  
• I live in the state capital, Austin.  
• I love the state flower, the bluebonnet.  
• I love the state bird, the mockingbird.  
• I love the state tree, the live oak.  
• I love the state fruit, the orange.  
• I love the state vegetable, the green chile pepper.  
• I love the state fish, the striped bass.  
• I love the state mammal, the armadillo.  
• I love the state insect, the Texas horned lizard.  
• I love the state reptile, the Texas spiny-tailed lizard.  
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• I love the state tree, the live oak.  
• I love the state fruit, the orange.  
• I love the state vegetable, the green chile pepper.  
• I love the state fish, the striped bass.  
• I love the state mammal, the armadillo.  
• I love the state insect, the Texas horned lizard.  
• I love the state reptile, the Texas spiny-tailed lizard.

**Animals I Want to Know About:**  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your country.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your state.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your school.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your neighborhood.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your home.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your garden.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your yard.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your park.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your school.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your neighborhood.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your home.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your garden.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your yard.  
• I'd love to know about the animals in your park.

**My Hobbies:**  
• I love to read.  
• I love to draw.  
• I love to dance.  
• I love to sing.  
• I love to play sports.  
• I love to travel.  
• I love to learn.  
• I love to help others.  
• I love to be a leader.  
• I love to be a team player.  
• I love to be a good friend.  
• I love to be a good citizen.  
• I love to be a good student.  
• I love to be a good worker.  
• I love to be a good volunteer.  
• I love to be a good community member.

**My Favorite Things:**  
• I love to eat Texas barbecue.  
• I love to drink Texas beer.  
• I love to wear Texas cowboy hats.  
• I love to drive Texas pickup trucks.  
• I love to see Texas sunsets.  
• I love to see Texas stars.  
• I love to see Texas mountains.  
• I love to see Texas rivers.  
• I love to see Texas lakes.  
• I love to see Texas fields.  
• I love to see Texas forests.  
• I love to see Texas parks.  
• I love to see Texas schools.  
• I love to see Texas homes.  
• I love to see Texas gardens.  
• I love to see Texas yards.  
• I love to see Texas parks.



## Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors



The 2026-27 HTYA Application is now open! Looking for a new way to engage high school youth in health education, nutrition and health projects, and leadership? If so, consider becoming a Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador! Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors assist County Extension agents in providing valuable health education to youth and adults within the community. Working alongside their agent, they can become a valuable part of the local Texas A&M AgriLife and Texas 4-H Youth Development team! Reminder: Returning Ambassadors must reapply. **APPLY NOW:** <https://healthytexas.tamu.edu/resources/youth-ambassadors/>

### • Project Information

\*Be sure to check out any attachments also

## Fall 2026 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
<b>Heifers</b>	\$27	<b>4/2</b>	\$30	<b>6/5</b>	6/30
<b>Lambs &amp; Goats</b> (market or breeding)	\$27	<b>4/2</b>	\$30	<b>6/5</b>	6/25
<b>Steer</b> (Fall 25 & Spring 26 shows)	\$27	<b>4/2</b>	\$30	<b>6/5</b>	6/29
<b>Swine</b>	\$27	<b>4/30</b>	\$30	<b>6/5</b>	6/29

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.



JUNIOR, INTERMEDIATE, AND SENIOR 4-H TEAMS

**Montgomery County  
4-H Horse Judging Team**

LOVE HORSES? WANT TO STUDY AND LEARN ABOUT HORSES WITHOUT HAVING TO OWN ONE? JOIN US FOR HORSE JUDGING

**April 6**  
AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE @ 7:00 PM  
EVERYONE WELCOME!

Contact information- hankthomas99@hotmail.com  
Find us on Facebook: Montgomery County 4-H Horse Judging

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# Horse Project

**Speed Clinic**

**March 22, 2026**

**Magnolia Arena**

**Clinic starts at 12:30pm**

**Practice show starts at 1:30pm**

**RSVP on the hub**



**Horse validation now open in Texas Show Pass. <https://4h.texasshowpass.com/login>**  
**March 1-April 15 \$10/horse**  
**April 15-May 1 \$20/horse**

## HORSE MANAGEMENT 101

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Horse Management 101 is a two-day, hands-on workshop designed for new and existing horse owners and enthusiasts who want to build foundational knowledge in horse care, behavior, and management. Participants will work directly with experienced instructors in classroom and arena settings. This program is ideal for anyone wanting to learn safe, effective horsemanship and management practices.

**March 20-21, 2026**  
**Hildebrand Equine Complex**  
**College Station, TX**



Registration \$225 Includes instruction, materials, lunch both days, and hands-on learning experiences



Questions? [jenniferczoller@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:jenniferczoller@ag.tamu.edu)



## District 9 4-H Horse Judging

(Open to D-9 Youth Only)

**April 18, 2026**  
**Brazos County Expo Complex**  
**5827 Leonard Rd, Bryan, TX**

Registration opens March 11, 2026  
 Registration closes March 25, 2026  
 Registration fee: \$25.00  
 Register via 4Honline



For more information please go to:  
<https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/horse-judging/>



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APHA/4-H Futurity  
**JACKPOT SHOW**  
 Entries Open Soon!



Classes designed specifically for the youth horse project:

- U Longe Line
  - U Fitting and Handling
  - U Walk, Trot, Lope
  - U Trail and Versatility
- Yearlings  
 2 Year Olds (w/T)  
 3 Year Olds

Western & English tack and attire welcome!



**05.31.26**  
 MAY Classes Start ~2pm 2026

Extraco Event Center - 4601 Bosque Blvd, Waco, TX  
 Held in conjunction with the Zone 4 APHA Memorial Day Classic

# Livestock

## CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC

**Instructor:**  
**Raegan Emmons**  
of Emmons  
Beefmaster Ranch



May 15, 2026, 6pm  
W.L. Moody Reunion Fairgrounds  
839 W Commerce St., Fairfield Texas

**\$20 per participant**

**Register Here:** 

 FREESTONE COUNTY CLASSIC STEER & HEIFER JACKPOT SHOW MAY 16<sup>th</sup>



## Freestone County Classic

Steer & Heifer Jackpot Show  
**Saturday, May 16, 2026**

Moody Reunion Fairgrounds  
839 East Commerce, Fairfield, Texas

**HEIFERS**  
3 Divisions (shown in this order)  
American \* British \* Exotic  
No Heifers older than 30 months  
Entry Fee - \$30

**STEERS**  
3 Divisions (shown in this order)  
American \* British \* Exotic  
Classify and weigh your own  
Entry Fee - \$30

Check in: 7:30-8:30a.m.  
Heifer Show: 9:00 a.m.  
Heifer/Steer Combined Showmanship (Divisions: Junior 3rd-8<sup>th</sup> grade, Senior 9th-12<sup>th</sup> grade)  
Steer Show: will start immediately following Showmanship

**Overall Buckles**  
**Banners**  
**Class Prizes**

Winner take all Showmanship \$5 @ gate  
Judge: **Blane Warnken**

Show off your trailer or stalling in NEW CATTLE BARN  
Friday arrivals welcome, Emmons Showmanship Clinic Friday Night!  
Please clean stalls after the show!  
No pig-see showman, No stalling in Park Wood covered areas

Food Vendor on Site!  
Sullivan's Show Supply Trailer  
FMI - erin.davis@ag.tamu.edu

# Livestock Judging

## District 9 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

(Open to D9 youth only)

May 2, 2026  
Peace Pavilion- College Station

**Registration Fee: \$25**  
**Registration Opens:**  
- March 18, 2026  
**Registration Closes:**  
- April 1, 2026  
Register via 4-Online

For additional information about this event, check out the D-9-4-H website, scan the QR code or contact your county extension agent

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## NRS FEED INVITATIONAL LIVESTOCK Judging Contest

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2026  
Registration 8:00am-8:30am Contest 9:00am  
HOSTED AT THE NRS ARENA

**DIVISIONS**  
4-H Junior: 8+ Classes & 2 Reasons Senior: 8+ Classes & 4 Reasons FFA Junior: 8+ Classes & 3+ Questions Classes Senior: 8+ Classes & 3+ Questions Classes

**AWARDS**  
1st: Justin Boots (Team + Coach)  
2nd: NRS Gear (Team + Coach)  
3rd: NRS Gift Cards (Team + Coach)  
Top 5 Individuals: NRS Gift Cards  
Top 3 Scores = Team

AWARDS MUST BE PICKED UP FOLLOWING THE CONTEST ON THE NRS BACK PATIO.

 **REGISTER HERE**  
WWW.JUDGINGCARD.COM  
Enter by March 28, 2026. \$20 per student + Optional \$10 lunch  
Late entry: \$40 per student

Questions: Jim Allsup (940) 399 8665 or Gary Gerhardt (209) 505 8868

## Champion's Prep Livestock Judging Contest

April 3, 2026  
Porth Ag Arena  
1100 Edmiston Crockett, Tx

**2 Divisions**  
Jr - 3rd-8th Grade  
Sr - 9th-12th Grade

**Market Classes**  
**Breeding Classes**  
**Questions Classes**

**Entry Deadline March 27**  
**\$20 per contestant**

**Registration 7am**  
**Contest 8am**  
**Awards following contest**

**Register & Pay**  
**JudgingCard.com**

**On site entries**  
**\$25 per contestant CASH ONLY**

**Scantrons Provided**

Teams consist of:  
- 3-4 members from same FFA Chapter or 4-H Club.  
- Top 3 scores used for awards.  
- Individuals welcome

**Dr. Tyler Mackey**  
ty\_mackey@hotmail.com

**Brandon Whitten**  
281.726.4808



## Yates Family Livestock Judging Extravaganza

Hosted by the Texas A&M Livestock Judging Team

May 16, 2026 Market Judging Contest  
May 17, 2026 Breeding Judging Contest

**Louis Pearce Pavilion**

Cost \$75 per person for both days including contests and workshops



## Yates Family Livestock Judging Extravaganza Schedule of Events

May 16, 2026  
8:00 am - Registration and Welcome  
8:45 am - Market Contest (cattle, sheep, goats, swine)  
11:00 am - Educational Critiques by Industry Leaders  
12:00 pm - Lunch on your own  
1:30 pm - Reasons Challenge (optional for grades 9-12)  
1:30 pm - Questions Workshop (all others youth and adults)  
3:30 pm - Reasons Contest Results & Adjourns for the Day  
7:00 pm - Special Activity - Location TBD



## Yates Family Livestock Judging Extravaganza Schedule of Events

May 17, 2026  
8:00 am - Church Service  
8:45 am - Shave the Mic Contest (top 4 reasons contest)  
10:00 am - Breeding Contest (cattle, sheep, goats, swine)  
11:30 am - Educational Critiques by Industry Leaders  
1:00 pm - Results and Awards

Event is open to youth grades 7-12 and adults. Non-Texas participants are welcome. Registration deadline is **MONDAY, MAY 11 on judgingcard.com**. There will be **NO LATE REGISTRATION**. For more information, contact Chad Coburn at c-coburn@tamu.edu

 Leon County Youth Livestock Show

**Invitational Livestock Judging Contest**

**Friday, April 10, 2026**

**Leon County Expo in Buffalo, TX**

Registration online through JudgingCard

**\*\*NO ONSITE REGISTRATION\*\***

**Location:** Leon County Expo Center, 3637 CR 305, Buffalo, TX  
**Registration Deadline:** April 1, 2026; Late Entries accepted April 2 - April 6, 2026

**\*\*Scantrons WILL BE provided\*\***

**Cost:** \$60/team or \$15/individual; Late registration \$80/team or \$20/individual

**Divisions:** Junior (3rd - 8th); Seniors (9th - 12th)

**Time:** Check-in begins at 8 am; Contest starts at 9:00 am. Contestants not present at this time will not be permitted to participate in the contest.

**Officials:** Blinn Judging Team

**Contest Rules:** www.lcyla.net



**Questions? Contact**

Wes Hamilton | 903-390-2069

Show Secretary - LeonCoShowSecretary@gmail.com

**2026 Leon County Youth Livestock Show Agricultural Product Identification Contest**



The Leon County Youth Livestock Show invites your 4-H and FFA Agricultural Product Identification teams to participate in our Ag Product ID Contest! This contest will be held at the Leon County Expo Center, Arena 1 on Friday, April 10, 2026.

Registration will be done on JudgingCard.com.

**No on-site registration!**  
 Come get ready for District and State Contests!

The Leon County Expo Center is located at 2637 County Road 305, Buffalo, Texas 77831.

Rules for this contest can be found at: <https://www.lcyla.net/show-information/rule-book>

- Details**
- Friday, April 10, 2026
  - Contest check-in 12:00 p.m.
  - Contest begins at 1:00 p.m.
  - Registration cost: \$15/individual by April 1, 2026 (individual April 2-6)
  - Junior Division (grades 7-12)
  - Senior Division (grades 9-12)
  - Scantron forms will be provided
  - Prizes awarded to high point team and Senior Individuals
  - Awards for Top 3 Teams & Top 3 Individuals in each age division

**For More Information:**  
 Cecelia Ferguson-Belton  
 Office: 903-390-2031  
 cecelia.ferguson@lcyla.net

**DISTRICT 9 4-H MEAT JUDGING & IDENTIFICATION**

(OPEN TO D9 4-H YOUTH ONLY)

May 2, 2026

Rosenthal Meat Lab

Entry Fee: \$25.00

Registration Opens: March 18, 2026

Registration Closes: April 1, 2026

Register via 4-H Online

For additional information about this event, check out the D-9 4-H website, scan the QR code or contact your county extension agent



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<https://d9h4h.com/extension/contests/meat-identification-and-evaluation/>

**Montgomery County Fair Important Dates**

**Sunshine & Kids Day Tour Guides needed**

**Sunshine Day Field Trip**

8:30am-2pm April 10, 2025

Sign up here to volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B4BAFAB2AAAFB6-60623021-2026#/>

**Kids Day**

8am-3pm April 13 & 14, 2025

Sign up to volunteer here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B4BAFAB2AAAFB6-60622278-kids#/>

**Rabbit tag-in sign up:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A49A8A72FA6F94-58832354-26market>

 MONTGOMERY COUNTY FAIR & RODEO

★ 2026 LIVESTOCK TAG-IN SCHEDULE ★

<b>MARKET VEER</b> SEP. 22, 2025	<b>REPLACEMENT HEIFER</b> OCT. 7, 2025
<b>FILLY &amp; GELDING</b> OCT. 14, 2025	<b>TURKEY &amp; MARKET RABBIT*</b> NOV. 1, 2025 *INTENT TO SHOW FORMS DUE
<b>BROILER</b> NOV. 1, 2025 *ORDER FORMS DUE	<b>MARKET LAMB &amp; GOAT</b> DEC. 2, 2025
<b>MARKET BARROW</b> JAN. 5, 2026	<b>BREEDING CEEF*</b> JAN. 13, 2026 *PAPER VERIFICATION, NO ANIMALS
<b>BROILER PICK-UP</b> FEB. 23, 2026	<b>MARKET RABBIT TAG-IN</b> MAR. 19, 2026

ONLINE ENTRIES OPEN JAN. 19 AND CLOSE JAN. 30 AT 5:00PM.  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT MCFA.ORG

**\*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 and no later than April 6th. The forms distributed by your club manager are the only forms that will be accepted. The form on the Fair's website is not for 4-H members and will not be accepted.**

# STEM

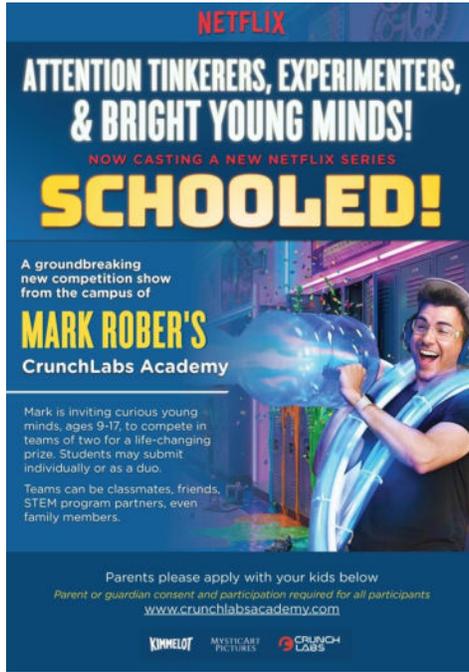


**LOCKHEED MARTIN QUEST COMPETITIONS**

Ready to Complete the Quest?  
Registration is open for Lockheed Martin's Code Quest & CYBERQUEST™ competitions; free, team-based events that invite high school students to apply technical skills in a fun problem-solving environment. PARTICIPANTS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR PAID SUMMER INTERNSHIPS!

CODE QUEST	LOCKHEED MARTIN CYBERQUEST™ COMPETITION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Date: Feb. 28, 2026</li> <li>Programming event using Java, Python, C++, and/or C#</li> <li>In-person &amp; virtual locations available</li> <li>See registration website for official rules &amp; site-specific details</li> <li>Questions? Email <a href="mailto:code-quest_gr_auro@lmco.com">code-quest_gr_auro@lmco.com</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Date: Mar. 28, 2026</li> <li>Cybersecurity contest using a capture-the-flag format</li> <li>In-person &amp; virtual locations available</li> <li>See registration website for official rules &amp; site-specific details</li> <li>Questions? Email <a href="mailto:cyberquest.info@lmco.com">cyberquest.info@lmco.com</a></li> </ul>

Register here: <https://registration.lmcodequestacademy.com/>  
Registration open until site is full or date listed on website



**NETFLIX**

**ATTENTION TINKERERS, EXPERIMENTERS, & BRIGHT YOUNG MINDS!**

**SCHOOLING!**

NOW CASTING A NEW NETFLIX SERIES

**MARK ROBER'S CrunchLabs Academy**

A groundbreaking new competition show from the campus of

Mark is inviting curious young minds, ages 9-17, to compete in teams of two for a life-changing prize. Students may submit individually or as a duo. Teams can be classmates, friends, STEM program partners, even family members.

Parents please apply with your kids below  
Parent or guardian consent and participation required for all participants  
[www.crunchlabsacademy.com](http://www.crunchlabsacademy.com)

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# FOOD CHALLENGE

**RULES AND GUIDELINES**  
**BATTLE ON THE BRAZOS 4-H FOOD CHALLENGE**  
Saturday, April 18, 2026  
Brazos County Extension Office  
4153 County Park Court Bryan TX 77802

**Times Slots**  
9:00 am | 5 Junior, 5 Intermediate, 5 Senior Slots  
10:00 am | 5 Junior, 5 Intermediate, 5 Senior Slots  
12:00 noon | Awards

Registration opens February 5, 2026  
Registration closes April 1, 2026 or when all spots fill

Coaches' registration [link](#)

Hosted by Brazos County Food and Nutrition Ambassadors & Brazos FCS Committee

Contact: County Extension Agent—FCH, Dr. Flora Williams at [fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu) or 979-823-0129

# COUNTY ROUNDUP SIGN UP FOR A TIME HERE:

<https://forms.gle/yXtiVUiUBZUf7tXz7>



**MONTGOMERY COUNTY 4-H ROUNDUP 2026**

**STEP 1: COUNTY 4-H ROUNDUP MARCH 26TH 2-6PM (COME & GO)**

**COMPETE IN:**  
PUBLIC SPEAKING  
CONSUMER DECISION MAKING  
EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION  
FASHION STORYBOARD  
TALENT SHOWCASE  
FOOD SHOW  
QUIZ BOWLS  
FOOD CHALLENGE  
VET SCIENCE  
LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON  
DUIDS TO DAZZLE  
HEALTHY LIFESTYLES  
WILDLIFE CHALLENGE  
SCIENCE FAIR  
AG PRODUCT ID  
DUIDS TO DAZZLE

**Contest Rules**  
SCAN HERE [QR CODE]  
Participating at County Roundup automatically qualifies you to participate at district (below)

**STEP 2: BIG TIME IN D9 APRIL 23, 24 & 25**  
ENTRIES DUE APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2026 IN 4H ONLINE

**STEP 3: STATE ROUNDUP FOR SENIOR AGE MEMBERS ONLY! JUNE 1-4, 2026**  
REGISTER APRIL 15TH- MAY 5TH ON 4H ONLINE  
INFORMATION: [HTTPS://TEXAS4-H.TAMU.EDU/EVENTS/ROUNDUP/](https://TEXAS4-H.TAMU.EDU/EVENTS/ROUNDUP/)



**Big Time in D9 - 4-H Roundup**  
OPEN TO D9 4-H YOUTH ONLY

April 23-25, 2026

LONE STAR COLLEGE - MONTGOMERY CAMPUS  
1200 COLLEGE PARK DRIVE  
CONROE, TX 77384-4500

REGISTRATION OPENS: MARCH 18, 2026  
REGISTRATION CLOSES: APRIL 1, 2026

Register via 4hOnline  
\$15.00 per contest

For additional information: <https://rdb4-h.tamu.edu/event/contests/bigtime/>

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**JOIN US AT BUC DAYS!**  
Register at [BucDays.com](http://BucDays.com)

**FOOD SHOW** THURSDAY MAY 7, 2026 \$5,000 in prize money awarded

**PUBLIC Speaking** SATURDAY MAY 9, 2026 \$1,500 in prize money awarded

**HORTICULTURE Competition** SATURDAY MAY 9, 2026 \$3,000 in prize money awarded

**AG PRODUCT ID Contest** SATURDAY MAY 9, 2026 \$1,500 in prize money awarded

**FOOD CHALLENGE** FRIDAY MAY 8, 2026 \$7,500 in prize money awarded

**LIVESTOCK Quiz Bowl** SATURDAY MAY 9, 2026 \$3,000 in prize money awarded



# SOCK DESIGN CONTEST

## Entries due March 22nd



### Custom Sock Design Rules

- No more than 6 colors of yarn are allowed on the socks, that includes the base color
- No more than 6 icons in total
- The Toe | Top | Heel can be different colors
- For design inspiration or ideas, visit our website [bloomforgood.com/sockportfolio](http://bloomforgood.com/sockportfolio)

#### Texas 4-H Sock Design Contest Entry Form & Guidelines

**Please print this form in with your artwork to be submitted.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 AGE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 GRADE LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 4-H CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

- You must be a 4-H member to participate
- Must be hand designed - not digitally designed
- Must be designed on the attached template
- Take a high-quality scan and email all designs to [callie.clinedag@tamu.edu](mailto:callie.clinedag@tamu.edu) with the subject "Sock Design Contest - First Name, Last Name"
- Submit entries by March 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Voting will take place on the Texas 4-H Program Facebook on March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>
- Top designs will win one a 4-H Swag Bag
- Winning Design will be featured at Texas 4-H Roundup
- Winners announced March 27<sup>th</sup>

Questions? Email [callie.clinedag@tamu.edu](mailto:callie.clinedag@tamu.edu)



#### Sock Base Color

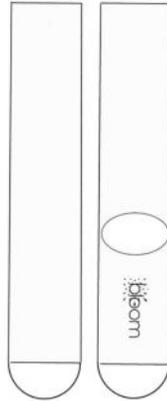
#### NOTES:

Circle your division.

- Clover - grades K-2
- Junior - grades 3-5
- Intermediate - grades 6-8
- Senior - grades 9-12

Name \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_



## TEXAS 4-H SOCK DESIGN CONTEST

SUBMIT YOUR BEST 4-H SOCK DESIGN TO BE FEATURED ON THE OFFICIAL 2026 TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP SOCKS!



SUBMIT ENTRIES BY MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup>  
 ONLINE VOTING MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup> AND 26<sup>TH</sup>  
 WINNER ANNOUNCED MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>

DIVISIONS:  
 CLOVER: GRADES K-2  
 JUNIOR: GRADES 3-5  
 INTERMEDIATE: GRADES 6-8  
 SENIOR: GRADES 9-12

ENTRIES MUST BE EMAILED TO  
[CALLIE.CLINEDAG@AG.TAMU.EDU](mailto:CALLIE.CLINEDAG@AG.TAMU.EDU)

**WINNING ARTISTS OF EACH DIVISION TO RECEIVE 4-H SWAG BAG AND ROUNDUP RECOGNITION! TOP DESIGN WILL BE FEATURED ON SOCKS.**



## 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 you.

Instead of calling or emailing, you can submit your request online here: <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.