

CLOVER CHRONICLE

Dear Wharton County 4-H Families,

The beginning of 2020 has kicked off with a busy schedule from Major Stock Shows to County Contests and everything in between. Our 4-H families have certainly been busy! During this busy and competitive time I think it's important to remember why we do what we do. Our 4-Hers are learning so many valuable life lessons through everything that they participate in. These life lessons will stick with them as they grow not only in their 4-H careers but in life.

The fair is fast approaching please be sure to read your rulebooks and be aware of upcoming dates. **Fair Eligibility/Excused Absence Request Forms are due to Stacey on or before March 20, 2020.** Please be sure to get this taken care of ASAP, compiling this information is quite the task and we want to ensure that no one has any issues come fair time.

I am very proud to be a part of the Wharton County 4-H Family!

Laura

SAVE THE DATE

WHARTON COUNTY 4-H AWARDS BANQUET

August 3, 2020 - 6:00 PM

Crescent Hall - Wharton County Fairgrounds

More information will come this summer!

Horse Validation

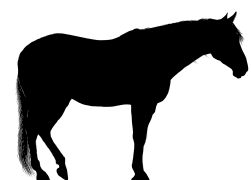
For those planning to show their horses at the District 11 4-H Horse Show or the State 4-H Horse Show. Validation is Completed on 4-H Connect

March 1st - April 15th \$10/horse

April 16th - May 1st \$20/horse

Late Validation May 2nd - May 5th \$250/horse

See link for detailed instructions or view this how-to video: <https://youtu.be/DSBB1T289eE>



Upcoming 4-H Events

March 2020

- 6: Registration **Deadline** for District Horse Judging
- 10: EEA County Scholarship **Due to CEO**
- 20: WCYF Eligibility/Excused Absence Request Forms DUE to CEO**
- 27: Registration **Deadline** for Multi-District Judging
- 29: Showmanship Clinic @ Fairgrounds
Beef 8 am - Other Species 2 PM
- 31: County Fashion Show and Duds to Dazzle



April 2020

- 3: Registration **DEADLINE** for Spring Spectacular
- 3: Texas 4-H Congress Essay Due to Laura
- 4: District Horse Judging
- 7: County Council and PALA Meeting @ CEO
- 9: County Council Officer Applications **DUE to CEO**
- 10: Extension Office Closed for Holiday
- 13: Major Show Steer Tag Orders **DUE to CEO**
- 13: Spring Heifer Validation Orders **DUE to CEO**
- 13: State Fair Sheep/Lamb Validation Orders **DUE to CEO**
- 13: State Fair Swine Validation Orders **DUE to CEO**
- 15: Horse Validation - Early Deadline
- 25: Multi-District Judging
- 28: County Council Officer Interviews

PALA Meetings @ 6:30 pm
County Council - Social @ 6:30 pm -
Meeting @ 7:00 pm

May 2020

- 5: County Council and PALA Meeting @ CEO
- 25: Extension Office Closed for Holiday

June 2020

- 2-3: D11 4-H Horse Show
- 3: Recordbooks **DUE**
- 5: Star Award Interviews
- 9-12: Texas 4-H Roundup
- 17-19: D11 Leadership Lab
- 22: Major Show Steer and Spring Heifer Validation
- 29, 30 & July 1: Kids in the Kitchen and
Kids in the Swing Room



County Council Officer Elections

Are you interested in serving as a County Council Officer? The County Council Officer Applications are Due April 9, 2020 to the Extension Office.

Applicants will be required to turn in the following:

- "Intent to Run Form"
- Responsibilities Signature Form
- Copy of Previous or Current Recordbook

Applicants will also have to participate in an interview on April 28th at the Extension Office.

Please contact Laura with any questions.

Stay Connected



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Upcoming 4-H Events

Major Show Tag Orders

If you plan on exhibiting the following please find the correct tag order form and turn it into the Extension Office by April 13, 2020 @ 4:00 pm.

- Steers at the 2020 State Fair of Texas, 2021 Ft. Worth Stock Show, 2021 San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo, 2021 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, and 2021 Rodeo Austin.
- Heifers at the 2020 State Fair of Texas or 2020 Heart of Texas. (We will have another validation in the fall for any heifers that need to be validated to show in the Spring 2021 Shows.)
- Barrows and Gilts for the 2020 State Fair of Texas
- Sheep and Goats for the 2020 State Fair of Texas

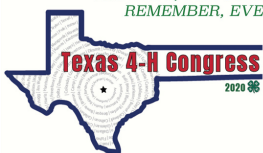
Physical Validation will be held on June 22, 2020. Please let Laura know if you have any questions.

TEXAS 4-H CONGRESS



EXPRESS YOUR VISION OF DERBY ATTIRE
HAVE FUN WITH YOUR COSTUME

BIG HATS, FUN ACCESSORIES, BOW TIES, CASUAL...
REMEMBER, EVERYONE ENJOYS THE RACES!



CONTESTS AND PRIZES
WILL BE AWARDED
Outfits must be appropriate
and adhere to 4-H dress code.

Texas 4-H Congress is a four-day mock legislative experience for 4-H members in grades 9th to 12th (at the time of the event). During this time, 4-H members assume the roles of legislators, lobbyists, and press corps to gain a first-hand understanding of how the legislative process works. Bills that are written and sponsored by 4-H members focus on issues concerning Texas and Texas youth. These bills are assigned to the appropriate committee, debated in committee meetings, and then on the floor of the House or Senate. If a bill is successful in negotiation and the legislative debate in all three stages, it is delivered to the Governor of Texas 4-H Congress for his or her signature or veto. Copies of all the bills that are signed into law during Texas 4-H Congress are provided to the Office of the Governor for review.

If you would like to attend congress please submit a one page essay to the CEO by April 3rd explaining why you would like to attend Texas 4-H Congress.



Wharton County 4-H Showmanship Clinic

Sunday, March 29, 2019

Clinic 2:00 p.m.

WCYF Fairgrounds - Amman Barn

PLEASE RSVP to the CEO by March 25th

Lamb, Goats, Pigs, Rabbits & Poultry

Gulf Coast Beef Bonanza Showmanship Clinic

Clinic Will Focus on:

- Beef Cattle Nutrition
- Raising Beef Cattle
- Presentation of yourself and your animal in the show ring
- Show Day from start to finish

Awards for:
Participation and
Showmanship



In collaboration with Wharton County 4-H
Sunday, March 29, 2020
Wharton County Fairgrounds
Check-in 8:00 am - 9:00 am

Jackpot Showmanship to follow clinic!



Clinic will be broken into two groups

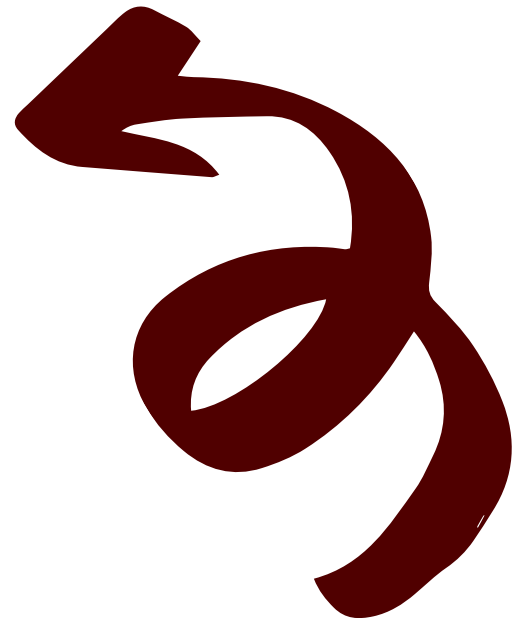
**First Year Showmen
and All Others**

RSVP TO

beef.showmen@gmail.com
by March 22, 2020

Late Entries will be accepted

**All Beef showmen
are encouraged
to attend!**



We have also
partnered to host the
Beef Showmanship
Clinic mentioned in
this flyer.

4-H News

TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK AMBASSADOR



Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Courses

- 25 Youth Selected
- College-Level Animal Science Curriculum
- Livestock Production Knowledge Outcomes
- Agricultural Advocacy
- Career Development



June 14-17, 2020



June 20-23, 2020



July 13-16, 2020

For more information visit: www.texasyouthlivestock.com

TEXAS 4-H EQUINE AMBASSADOR



Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador Short Course

- 15 Youth Selected
- College-Level Equine Science Curriculum
- Horse Industry Knowledge Outcomes
- Agricultural Advocacy
- Career Development

Equine Short Course: June 14-17, 2020

For more information visit: www.texasyouthlivestock.com

All applications are due May 1, 2020

Livestock Applications: https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b9knd7h0VXkbNKB

Equine Applications: https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eVUuz6NEngnqsB





ATTENTION Wharton Co. 4-H & FFA Clubs

WIN CASH PRIZES FOR YOUR CLUB

PRESENTED BY WHARTON CO FARM BUREAU

In honor of **NATIONAL AG DAY**
create a video with your club sharing
"WHAT DOES AGRICULTURE MEAN TO ME"
or **"HOW DOES AGRICULTURE IMPACT MY LIFE"**

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Any 4-H or FFA Clubs in Wharton County.
Clubs may split into smaller groups and create more than one submission for the contest if members have different ideas.

WHAT ARE THE PRIZES?

Wharton County Farm Bureau will award
\$250 to the First Place & \$150 to Second Place **FFA Group Video**
\$250 to the First Place & \$150 to Second Place **4-H Group Video**
\$100 People's Choice Award

WHAT KIND OF VIDEO?

Be creative! Feel free to use different options like TikTok or SnapChat in addition to traditional video format. Everything is welcome. We care more about **WHAT** you have to say than how you choose to say it!

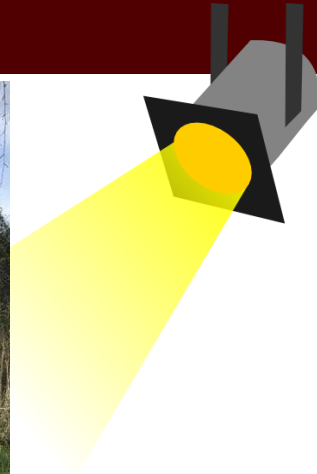
Videos should be 45 seconds to 120 seconds in length.

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT IS MONDAY MARCH 23 2020

For questions & video submissions: WhartonCoFB@gmail.com

4-H Spotlight

Boling Country 4-H



Congratulations to our County Photography Contest Winners!

JUNIOR	
Animals-Domestic	Mollie Cutrer
Animals-Wildlife	Lily Schoeneberg
Catch All	Laney Arriaga
Details/Macro	Laney Arriaga
Dominant Color	Taylor Bohuslar
Elements of Design	Korben Dorotik
Enhanced	Lexie Arriaga
Food	Laney Arriaga
Landscape/Nature	Christopher Jackson
Motion/Action	Allie Bohuslar
Night	Taylor Bohuslar
People	Laney Arriaga
Plant/Flora	Mollie Cutrer
Shadow/Silhouette	Allie Bohuslar
Theme	Laney Arriaga

INTERMEDIATE	
Animals-Domestic	London Cavness
Animals-Wildlife	Jillian Laitkep
Catch All	Jayden Huerta
Details/Macro	Jillian Laitkep
Dominant Color	Jillian Laitkep
Elements of Design	Emily Glaze
Enhanced	Jillian Laitkep
Food	Myla Mahalitic
Landscape/Nature	Jillian Laitkep
Motion/Action	Kasey Burns
Night	Kaylee Horn
People	Jillian Laitkep
Plant/Flora	Madelyn Glaze
Shadow/Silhouette	Kaylee Horn
Theme	Jillian Laitkep

SENIOR	
Animals-Domestic	Keegan Cavness
Animals-Wildlife	Allison Bena
Catch All	Taylor Watz
Details/Macro	Lana Foyt
Dominant Color	Keegan Cavness
Elements of Design	Davis Coldeway
Enhanced	Haley Tupa
Food	Taylor Watz
Landscape/Nature	Erica George
Motion/Action	Lana Foyt
Night	Hannah Sutton
People	Treylyn Hancock
Plant/Flora	Erica George
Shadow/Silhouette	Kellen Dorotik
Theme	Taylor Watz

WCYF Important Dates

Bucket Calf Deadline _____	Monday, March 2, 2020
Rabbit Deadline _____	Monday, March 16, 2020
Absent From SHOWING _____	Thursday, April 16, 2020
Absent From SALE _____	Thursday, April 23, 2020
Ag High Point Award Deadline _____	Friday, April 17, 2020
Thank You Notes— AWARD & SALE _____	Monday, June 15, 2020

PICK-UP DATES, TAG-INS, & DRAWINGS

Pen of Three Tag-in (8-10 a.m.) _____	<i>Tag-in will be at Wharton Livestock Auction Barn</i> _____	Saturday, October 12, 2019
Commercial Heifer Tag-in (8 - 9 a.m.) _____		Saturday, October 19, 2019
Steer Tag-in (8 - 9 a.m.) _____		Saturday, October 19, 2019
Dairy Merit Heifer Validation (8 - 9 a.m.) _____		Saturday, October 26, 2019
Lamb & Market Goat Tag-in (6:30 - 7:30 p.m.) _____		Tuesday, November 12, 2019
Swine Tag-in (8 - 9 a.m.) _____		Saturday, February 1, 2020
Roaster Pick-up Date (time TBA) _____		Friday, February 7, 2020
Broiler Pick-up (time TBA) _____		Friday, March 6, 2020
Rabbit Tattoo 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. _____		Monday, March 16, 2020

2020 LIVESTOCK & POULTRY FAIR SCHEDULE

EXHIBIT	CHECK-IN	TIME	SHOW	SHOW TIME	CHECK-OUT	TIME
Ag Mechanics & Tractor Restoration	Sunday, April 19 th	12 - 1 p.m.	Sunday, April 19 th	1:30 p.m.	Sunday, April 26 th	8 - 9 a.m.
Broilers	Sunday, April 19 th	3 p.m.	Sunday, April 19 th	3:15 p.m.	Sunday, April 19 th	Following showmanship
Bucket Calf	Thursday, April 23 rd	1 - 2 p.m.	Thursday, April 23 rd	3 p.m.	Thursday, April 23 rd	1 hour after show
Commercial Heifers	Monday, April 20 th	12- 1 p.m.	Tuesday, April 21 st	10 a.m.	Sunday, April 26 th	8 - 9 a.m.
Dairy	Monday, April 20 th	12 - 1 p.m.	Thursday, April 23 rd	10 a.m.	Sunday, April 26 th	8 - 9 a.m.
Dairy Cows in Milk	Thursday, April 23 rd	7 - 8 a.m.	Thursday, April 23 rd	10 a.m.	Immediately following show	
Dairy Merit Heifers	Monday, April 20 th	12 - 1 p.m.	Thursday, April 23 rd	10:30 a.m.	Sunday, April 26 th	8 - 9 a.m.
Horses	Monday, April 20 th	9 a.m.	Monday, April 20 th	9 a.m.	Monday, April 20 th	after show
Junior Breeding Beef	Thursday, April 23 rd	8:30 - 9:30 a.m.	Thursday, April 23 rd	2 p.m.	Thursday, April 23 rd	1 hour after show
Lambs	Tuesday, April 21 st	12 - 12:30 p.m.	Tuesday, April 21 st	2 p.m.	Sunday, April 26 th	8 - 9 a.m.
Market Goats	Wednesday, April 22 nd	7 - 8 a.m.	Wednesday, April 22 nd	10 a.m.	Sunday, April 26 th	8 - 9 a.m.
Pen of Three Heifers	Wednesday, April 22 nd	7 - 8 a.m.	Wednesday, April 22 nd	Interviews: 9 a.m. Judging: 2 p.m.	Thursday, April 23 rd	7 - 8 a.m.
Rabbits	Sunday, April 19 th	8 - 9 a.m.	Sunday, April 19 th	9:15 a.m.	Sunday, April 26 th	8 - 9 a.m.
Roasters	Sunday, April 19 th	1:45 p.m.	Sunday, April 19 th	2 p.m.	Sunday, April 19 th	Following showmanship
Steers	Monday, April 20 th	12 - 1 p.m.	Tuesday, April 21 st	6 p.m.	Sunday, April 26 th	8 - 9 a.m.
Swine	Monday, April 20 th	8 - 11 a.m.	Monday, April 20 th	4 p.m.	Tuesday, April 21 st	7 - 8 a.m.

The fairground is not equipped to house all livestock and poultry entries for the duration of Fair Week. Check out times are listed above. **However, some animals will be released before the Sunday, April 26, 2020 check-out date.** Check individual specie rules for details. If you have any questions contact the WCYF Office or Chairman of that division.

All exhibitors must come to the fairgrounds Sunday, April 26, 2020 **from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.** to receive final buyer information. A penalty of \$25 per division will be charged to all exhibitors who do not pick up their final buyer information on Sunday morning.

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