

# District 10



March 2024

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# TEXANS HELP TEXANS

In the face of adversity, **Texas 4-H stands united**. We are here for those affected by the wildfires in the Texas Panhandle.

Together, we show our resilience and provide strength. As one, we will overcome anything. Find out how you can help those affected by the Texas Panhandle wildfires by visiting <http://tx.ag/WildfireRelief>.

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# 2023-2024 District 10 4-H Calendar

*\*Tentative dates are subject to change.*

## SPRING DATES

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| <b>District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX</b>  |  |
| <b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Friday, March 1, 2024  |  |
| <b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> Tues., Mar. 19, 2024  |  |
| <b>LATE REGISTRATION:</b> Wed.–Fri, Mar. 20-22, 2024  |  |
| <b>Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES</b>   |  |
| April 9, 2024   | • Leaders 4 Life (Seguin, TX)  |
| April 10, 2024  | • Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX)  |
| April 15, 2024  | • Livestock Judging  |
| April 16, 2024  | • Consumer Decision Making<br>• Range/Pasture ID & Range Evaluation<br>• Wool & Mohair Judging |
| April 17, 2024  | • Share the Fun<br>• Soil Judging  |
| April 18, 2024  | • Duds 2 Dazzle<br>• Fashion Show & Natural Fibers   |
| April 20, 2024  | • Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)  |
| April 26, 2024  | • 4-H Storyboard <i>Results Released</i>   |
| <b>2024 Texas 4-H Congress</b>  |  |
| <b>Event Date:</b> July 14-17, 2024   |  |
| All 4-H members (going into 9 <sup>th</sup> grade – through those who just graduated 12 <sup>th</sup> at the time of the event) must contact their County Office if they wish to be nominated for selection to attend Texas 4-H Congress. |  |
| <b>Contact your County Office for House/Senate Delegate Nomination DEADLINE</b>   |  |
| <b>PRESS CORPS/LOBBYIST DEADLINE:</b> Mar. 14, 2023   |  |
| <b>CONGRESS REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> April 1, 2024   |  |
| <b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> April 30, 2024 (\$425)  |  |
| <b>LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> May 30, 2024 (\$500)   |  |
| <b>BILL SUBMISSION CLOSSES (4HOnline):</b> May 30, 2024   |  |
| Information   | <a href="#">Texas 4-H Congress Letter</a>  |

## SUMMER DATES

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| <b>Texas 4-H State Roundup – College Station</b>   |   |
| <b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Wed., May 1, 2024   |   |
| <b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> Mon., Mar. 13, 2024  |   |
| <b>LATE REGISTRATION:</b>  |   |
| May 14 - May 15, 2024: Additional \$50 Late Fee  |   |
| May 16 – May 17, 2024: Additional \$250 Late Fee   |   |
| May 18 - May 31, 2024: Additional \$500 Late Fee   |   |
| <b>Event Information &amp; Helpful Links</b>   |   |
| <br><b>EVENT DATE:</b><br>June 3-6, 2024 | <a href="#">Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook</a><br><a href="#">2024 Changes &amp; Reminders</a><br><a href="#">College &amp; Career Fair Registration</a><br><a href="#">Room Block Information</a><br><a href="#">Sponsorship Opportunities</a><br><a href="#">Schedule of Events</a> (Tentative)<br><a href="#">Educational Workshops Series</a><br><a href="#">Texas 4-H Roundup - Buckle Blitz</a> |
| <b>District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX</b>   |   |
| <b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Wednesday, May 1, 2024  |   |
| <b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> Tues. May 14, 2024   |   |
| <b>LATE REGISTRATION:</b> W-F, May 15-17, 2024   |   |
| <b>EVENT DATE:</b> June 13, 2024   |   |
| <b>District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX</b>  |   |
| <b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Wednesday, May 1, 2024  |   |
| <b>EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> May 28, 2024   |   |
| <b>LATE FEE REGISTRATION:</b> May 29-31, 2024  |   |
| <b>EVENT DATE:</b> June 26-28, 2024  |   |
| <b>District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg</b>  |   |
| <b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Saturday, June 1, 2024  |   |
| <b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> Tues., June 25, 2024   |   |
| <b>LATE REGISTRATION:</b> Wed.–Fri. June 26-28, 2024   |   |
| <b>EVENT DATE:</b> July 11, 2024 (*District 10 4-H Planning Meetings for Agents/Staff will be held July 10, 2024)          |   |

## CORE Academy – June 17-21, 2024 (**SCHEDULE**)

**Information:** The CORE Academy program is open to any 4-H member in the 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. The CORE Academy Mission is to bring awareness to an assortment of possible careers. These careers do not focus on any one discipline. Career tours can be anything from hospitality, tourism, manufacturing, STEM, criminal justice, culinary arts, agriculture & natural resources, to marketing and promotions. The objective is to expose the youth to careers and businesses that they may have never considered. Core Academy Application 2024 is **now open!** Deadline is April 15th! Click the flyer on the right for more details. To apply please go to: <https://forms.gle/Gjku1XEVGhtZuZwE8>  
Don't forget to follow the CORE Academy Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CORE4H>



# 2024 District 10 4-H Spring Roundup

*Registration Period: March 1 – 19, 2024*

*Late Registration Period: March 20 – 22, 2024 (+\$25 Late Fee)*

## WHAT IS DISTRICT 10 4-H ROUNDUP?

The District 10 4-H Roundup event is held twice a year (Fall & Spring) to allow 4-H members to showcase their knowledge and talents in various 4-H contests. District 10 4-H members of all age divisions are welcome to compete in any of the contests offered (granted they meet the criteria of the event). The following information below applies to all Spring Roundup District contests, unless otherwise stated in the contest's specific rules. Check out: <https://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-10-spring-roundup/>

## MEMBERSHIP & AGE DIVISIONS

*Participants must be 4-H members currently enrolled on 4HOnline and belong to a Texas 4-H Youth Development County program.*

There are three age divisions for competition as outlined below. 4-H members' division is determined by their grade level by Aug. 31, 2023.

- Junior: 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>
- Intermediate: Grades 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>
- Senior: Grades 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>
- \**Smallbore Rifle ONLY has modified age divisions. Please check contest rules.*

**Note:** Juniors may move up to the Intermediate age division when participating on an intermediate team. Intermediates/Seniors may NOT move up or down to a different age division.

## REGISTRATION PERIOD

Registration on 4HOnline ([v2.4honline.com](https://v2.4honline.com)).

**Regular Registration Period:** \$15 per contest entered – Mar. 1 - **Mar. 19, 2024 (DEADLINE)**

**Late Registration:** \$40 per contest entered – Mar. 20-22, 2024 **FINAL LATE DEADLINE**

**NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 22, 2024!**

## CONTEST GUIDE & SCHEDULE

The **2024 District 10 Spring Roundup Guide** is available here:



### Tuesday, April 9, 2024

- Leaders 4 Life Contest – Guadalupe Extension Office

### Wednesday, April 10, 2024

- Meat Judging Contest – ASU Meat Lab (San Angelo)

### Monday, April 15, 2024

- Livestock Judging Contest – Gillespie Fairgrounds

### Tuesday, April 16, 2024

- Range/Pasture ID/Range Evaluation – Gillespie Fairgrounds
- Consumer Decision – Gillespie Extension Office
- Wool & Mohair Judging – Gillespie Extension Office

### Wednesday, April 17, 2024

- Talent Showcase – Gillespie Extension Office
- Soil Judging – Meet at Gillespie Extension Office

### Thursday, April 18, 2024

- Duds to Dazzle – Gillespie Extension Office
- Fashion Show/Natural Fiber – Gillespie Extension Office

### Saturday, April 20, 2024

- Smallbore Rifle Contest – Wilson County Expo Center (Floresville)

## 2024-2025 Texas 4-H Council - At Large Delegate Application

**Information:** The 2024-2025 Texas 4-H Council – At Large Delegate Applications are now available online at <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ambassadors/>. **Deadline to apply is March 28, 2024.** **What is Texas 4-H Council?** Members of this team are elected by their peers from across the state of Texas! The Texas 4-H Council members 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. The Q&A ZOOM Session has been recorded and posted [HERE](#).

### **COMMITMENT DATES (Council Officers MUST ATTEND):**

- July 22-25, 2024 – **Texas 4-H Council Workshop** – Location Kingsville/Corpus Christi area
- October TBD, 2024 (Dates set by State Fair of Texas) - **State Fair of Texas Honor Awards -- Fall Planning Meeting** - Dallas, TX
- November 8-10, 2024 - **Spark** – Brownwood, TX *TENTATIVE Must have enough committed to attend.*
- January 3-5, 2025 – **January Planning Meeting** – College Station or Brownwood (TBD)
- June 1-5, 2025 – **Texas 4-H Roundup** – College Station, TX
- Monthly Online Conference Calls (dates to be distributed during Workshop)



# Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Program ([FLYER](#))

**Deadline:** April 1, 2024

**Information:** 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 County! Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador can 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! To learn more about this exciting leadership opportunity please see the [Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Handbook](#) for details.

**Where to Apply:** <https://healthytexas.tamu.edu/resources/youth-ambassadors/>

**Returning Ambassadors:** All returning ambassadors must reapply and will be eligible to continue in the program pending approval and completion of their required annual hours.

**Training Summit:** ALL Ambassadors must attend the annual training summit. *There will be NO virtual or "last chance" summit offered in 2024.* The Summit will be held June 2-3, 2024 in College Station, TX during Texas 4-H Roundup. If accepted, Ambassadors must register for the Summit by May 15, 2024 (Estimated cost \$100).

## Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine & Poultry Ambassador Programs

**Deadline for all applications:** April 15, 2024

**Information:** The Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine and Poultry Ambassador Programs are gearing up for another incredible year! See information below and consider identifying potential Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine and Poultry Ambassadors in your county and recruit them to the program. More details regarding the programs can be found at [www.texasyouthlivestock.com](http://www.texasyouthlivestock.com). Questions? Email [Kelley.Ranly@aq.tamu.edu](mailto:Kelley.Ranly@aq.tamu.edu)

### **Selection Criteria:**

- Senior level (grades 9-12) 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 & advocacy.
- Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others &
- Top 25% class rank

### **Application Process:**

- Applications located at: <https://texasyouthlivestock.com/#>
- Students must input contact information of supervising County Agent for a recommendation.
- Selection committee will review the applications and accept up to 25 participants per short course.
- Applications are due April 15, 2024

### **Ambassador Programs Offered:**

- Texas 4-H Poultry Ambassador [FLYER](#)
- Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador [FLYER](#)
- Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador [FLYER](#)

### **2024 Phase II and Phase III Offering (For Current Ambassadors ONLY):**

- Texas 4-H Advocacy Academy, Austin – July 1-3, 2024  
[2024 Texas 4-H Advocacy Academy Application](#) (Deadline: April 15, 2024)
- Texas 4-H Mountain West Agricultural Experience – July 27-August 6, 2024 - \*dates tentative\*  
[2024 Mountain West Agricultural Experience Application](#) (Deadline: April 15, 2024)
- Mentor Applications for the 2024 Short Course or Advocacy Academy (Deadline: April 15, 2024)
  - [2024 Equine Ambassador Mentor Application](#)
  - [2024 Livestock Ambassador Mentor Application](#)
  - [2024 Poultry Ambassador Mentor Application](#)

## Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program ([Application Instructions](#))

**Information:** Applications are now open to senior level (9-12 graders in 2024-2025 academic year) 4-H members for the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program. The 4-H Water Ambassadors Program will select up to 30 students for a minimum 12-month term of service. Those selected will participate in the 7-day Tier I 4-H2O Leadership Academy (tour) June 9-15, 2024, which includes hands-on experiential learning and covers a wide range of important water issues. Over the next year, water ambassadors commit to delivering at least 40 hours of education and service. Students will also engage in continuing education opportunities to broaden their understanding of water and equip them to share their knowledge with their local communities, clubs, schools, etc.

- Applications accepted March 15 – **May 1, 2024**
- Those selected are required to pay a \$300 program participation fee.
- Visit [www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com/application](http://www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com/application) for more details.

# 2024 Texas 4-H Horse Validation

*Validation Period: March 1<sup>st</sup> – May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024*

*Late Validation: May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (\$250 Validation Fee)*



**Information:** 4-H exhibitors wishing to participate in the 2024 District & State Horse show must validate any horses that will be used in competition. ALL horses must be validated/re-validated each year. There is no limit to the number of horses that can be validated. You are encouraged to validate all horses that may possibly be shown at district and/or state shows. Only state validated horses can be substituted in the event that a validated horse becomes unusable due to lameness, sickness, etc.

## VALIDATION ENTRY PERIODS & FEES

Families can submit payment by **credit card ONLY**.

- **From March 1 – April 15, the validation cost for each horse is \$10.00.** The \$10.00 cost is only guaranteed if the animal validation is approved by the county office by the April 15<sup>th</sup> deadline and the payment is processed.
- **From April 16 – May 1, the validation cost for each horse is \$20.00.** The \$20.00 cost is only guaranteed if the animal validation is approved by the county office by the May 1<sup>st</sup> deadline and the payment is processed.
- **From May 2-5, the validation cost for each horse is \$250.00.**

## HOW TO VALIDATE YOUR HORSE:

Horse Validation will take place on 4HOnline. The family will receive an automated message from 4-H Online when the County Extension Agent has approved the horse at the county level. **This approval does NOT guarantee eligibility.** After it is approved at the county level, the validation will then be reviewed at the state level. The family will be notified by June 1<sup>st</sup> if there are any issues with the validation at the state level. We will begin to review validations at the state level on March 1<sup>st</sup> and will be working closely with families and agents to fix errors as quickly as possible prior to the validation deadline.

- [2024 Horse Validation Guidelines \(Families\)](#)
- [2024 Horse Validation Guidelines \(for CEAs\)](#)
- [Validation Walk-Through Guide for Families](#)
- [Validation Walk-Through YouTube Video](#)
- [Additional Resources/One-Pagers](#)

## VALIDATION INSTRUCTIONS:

- Each validation must include front view, right side view, and left side view images. **The entire horse should be included in the photo and markings should be clearly visible.**
- **If the horse is registered, a copy of the registration papers must be uploaded.** These papers must list the 4-Her, sibling, parent, stepparent, grandparent or legal guardian as the current owner. If the ownership is in the process of being transferred, please list “pending” in the registration number area. Once the updated registration papers have been received, please deliver a new copy to your County Office.
- Image uploads in 4-H Online must be in the form of a .jpg, .gif or .png file.
- **Families should validate each horse only one time.** Once the horse is validated, any sibling within that family in 4-H Online is eligible to show the horse at their district show and/or the State 4-H Horse Show.
- **Youth validating a futurity horse must be at least 12 years of age (as of Sept. 1, 2023) and at least in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.**

## LEASE HORSES:

Lease horses are eligible to be validated and shown at District and State 4-H Horse Shows. An official Texas 4-H Horse Lease Agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and the supervising County Extension Agent. The lease period must include, at minimum, May 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> of the current 4-H year. The lease agreement form can be found [HERE](#) or on <https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/> and must be uploaded in 4-H Online at the time of validation.

## Other Texas 4-H Horse Updates

### Texas 4-H Horse Show (July 21 –27, 2024)

**Information:** The Texas 4-H Horse Show committee has released the schedule for the 2024 Texas State 4-H Horse Show: [DOWNLOAD HERE](#). The growth in entries and number of horses that the show has experienced over the past 5 years prompted the recommendation to extend the show by one day. Other helpful links below:

- [2024 Horse Show Rules](#)
- [Hotels – Destination Bryan](#)
- [Hotels – Visit College Station](#)

### Texas 4-H Roping School (June 16 –20, 2024) (EVENT LETTER)

**Information:** The Statewide Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School will be held in Stephenville, TX. This event has been developed to encourage young people in 4-H to develop leadership skills and to exercise their abilities in working with younger members in roping activities in 4H. Participation is open to all districts of the state, with applications being accepted on a first come, first-serve basis with priority to those who are 12 years of age and older. The maximum number which can be accommodated is 50. **Registration closes on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> (5PM)**

# Salute to Excellence Awards

**Deadline for Nomination: April 1, 2024**

**Information:** The 2024 Texas 4-H Salute to Excellence Award Packet is now available [HERE](#). Nominations are now being accepted until **Monday, April 1, 2024**. Nominations must be submitted online through Formsite to recognize volunteers, donors, and AgriLife personnel for their continued commitment to the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program. These can be supporters (individuals, couples, businesses, organizations) who assist at the county, district, regional, or state level. The six recognition categories are:

- *Leader Legacy*
- *Citation for Outstanding Service*
- *4-H Alumni*
- *Commendable Service*
- *Meritorious Service*
- *Salute to Excellence*

## HELPFUL LINKS:

- **Online Formsite Submission Link:** [https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/form226/form\\_login.html](https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/form226/form_login.html)
- **Texas 4-H Awards & Recognition Website:** <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/awards/>
- **Previous Winners:** [DOWNLOAD](#) (please ensure your 2024 nominees are not on this current list.)

**LOCAL RECOGNITION:** Honorees will be presented their awards locally through surprise celebration events and signs that award recipients can place in their front yards. **TAKE NOTE!** The target date to notify nominators is April 5<sup>th</sup>. The signs for the local surprise celebration are planned to be mailed on or around April 8<sup>th</sup>. **Plan to conduct the local surprise celebration sometime between April 15 – 30<sup>th</sup>**. The surprise celebration should be conducted during this time frame so that a statewide announcement can be made on or around May 1<sup>st</sup>. Please take high quality videos and photos from the surprise award presentation and submit to the State Office **by May 1st**.

**STATE RECOGNITION:** The Salute to Excellence Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at Texas 4-H State Roundup. Honorees will be recognized across the stage during the evening assembly. Each honoree will receive a luncheon ticket for himself/herself, plus one additional complimentary ticket to the award luncheon. All other guests, including Extension employees, are required to purchase a luncheon ticket for \$25.00 each. **RSVP and luncheon ticket purchases must be completed between May 1 and May 13.** Additional details will be shared with award recipients.

## IMPORTANT DATES

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| Online Nominations accepted                         | By Monday, April 1, 2024                   |
| Notification to nominators                          | Around April 5, 2024                       |
| Local surprise celebrations                         | April 15-30, 2024                          |
| Upload photos/videos of surprise celebration        | By May 1, 2024                             |
| Honorees to RSVP and pay for extra luncheon tickets | May 1-13, 2024                             |
| Salute to Excellence Luncheon in College Station    | Wednesday, June 5, 2024; 11:45 am check-in |



## 2024 State Shooting Sports Extravaganza

Event Website: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/>

### Information:

Registration for Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza is now open on 4HOnline. **Deadline: March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024**. This is a beginner's match and a learning event, so only **first and second-year** shooters in a discipline are allowed to participate. No previous experience in competitive shooting is required for participation. The emphasis of this event is on exploring new shooting activities and having fun, so we are encouraging participants to register for events in which they have never shot competitively.







# What's Happening in Texas 4-H...

## COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS ONLY

### 2024 District Gold Star Award Information



As we begin to close out our 2023-2024 4-H year, we would like to send all County offices information regarding Gold Star Award information. Please click this [ATTACHMENT](#) for the guidelines for Gold Star and the number of youth, that can be awarded this award in each county in the current year.

### Once you have your selected Gold Star

**Recipients:** Please email the District office and include the name(s) and date you want on the certificates. Please give us enough time to get the certificates printed and framed (minimum of 2 weeks notice). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [Natalie.Cervantes@aq.tamu.edu](mailto:Natalie.Cervantes@aq.tamu.edu) or [Isabel.Hernandez@aq.tamu.edu](mailto:Isabel.Hernandez@aq.tamu.edu).

## State 4-H Photography Contest

*Deadline; April 15, 2024*

The Texas 4-H Photography Contest encourages self-expression and allows youth to demonstrate skills learned in photography, including the use of photographic equipment and process of photographs. Senior 4-H members who place 1<sup>st</sup> in their category in their local County 4-H Photography contest are qualified to enter the State level contest.

Please see Rules & Guidelines [HERE](#)  
**Deadline to enter is April 15, 2024 on  
4HOnline & Submittable.**



## Sonora Invitational Judging Contests & Fleece Show- April 6, 2024

Sutton County invites all 4-H members to the Sonora Invitational 4-H Judging Contests on April 6, 2024. Youth may enter: Grass ID, Range, Wool & Mohair.

Youth may also enter their annual Fleece Show

Please pass this on to your Breeding Sheep or Angora Goat exhibitors who might submit entries to our fleece show. Entry forms below:

- [2024 Sonora Fleece Entry Sheet](#)
- [Invitational Judging Team Entry Form](#)
- [Contest Schedule](#)

Email these forms to: [p-hernandez@tamu.edu](mailto:p-hernandez@tamu.edu) or [Annette.Estrada@aq.tamu.edu](mailto:Annette.Estrada@aq.tamu.edu); hard copies may be mailed to: **Sutton County Extension Office**  
**P.O. BOX 1047, Sonora, Texas 76950.**

## Kimble County Invitational Contests

Kimble County 4-H Invitational contests will take place on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. This year, they will offer: Grass ID, Range Evaluation, & Wool & Mohair Judging.

All contests are open to all 4-H and FFA members. If there are any conflicts on April 13th, contestants may compete in any of the contests during the afternoons of Thursday (April 11th) or Friday (April 12th) through prior notice/registration.

More details and the official flyer will be posted soon. However, attached is the [AGENDA](#) for each of the contests. Please contact [Alex.Lopez@aq.tamu.edu](mailto:Alex.Lopez@aq.tamu.edu) with questions.



**"Agents Got Talent" is back!** This event will take place Monday, June 3rd, following the At-Large Delegate speeches, in Reed Arena. Each of the 12 districts have the opportunity to submit 1 act to represent their district in Agents Got Talent. Acts have a time limit of 5 minutes and should consist of 1-9 members. Acts must be submitted using this [FORM](#) by

**May 1<sup>st</sup>.**

## Texas 4-H Roundup Buckle Blitz

This year, every contest Champion team member and High Point Individual will be honored with a buckle—208 in total! **We're seeking donors to support each buckle, and you can play a vital role.** Don't miss out on the chance to sponsor a Roundup buckle! [CLICK HERE TO BECOME A SPONSOR](#) or contact [Jana Barrett](#).





# What's Happening in Texas 4-H...

## 4-H Natural Resources Program Events

There are a few upcoming 4-H Natural Resources program events coming up in the spring and summer to keep an eye on. Mark your calendars for the events in the attached graphic below. [Click here to access the Natural Resources webpage](#), [click here for the 4-H Natural Resources Facebook page](#), and [click here for the 4-H Natural Resources Instagram](#). Contact Larry Hysmith at [lhysmith@tamu.edu](mailto:lhysmith@tamu.edu) with questions.



**NEW**

## IGNITE YOUR SERVICE

Our mission is to provide love, care, and support to animals in shelters by delivering essential supplies and goodies that bring them comfort and happiness.

We need YOUR help: We need the following districts to gather supplies!



- District 1-2 : Bowls
- District 3-8: Dry food
- District 6-7: Cleaning supplies
- District 4-5: Toys
- District 9-11: Dawn Dish Soap
- District 10-12: Treats



### DATES

Tuesday: Tie blankets  
Wednesday: Dog treats  
Thursday: Care package

## 4-H Day at Angelo State University

Angelo State University will be hosting a 4-H Day on Saturday, March 23rd. At this event, learn more about college admissions, hear from students and faculty, dine in the cafeteria, and take a guided campus tour. This event is FREE, but only meals are free to students; guests of students can purchase a meal pass at check-in. Attendees with interest in an agriculture major can attend an extra ASU Ranch Tour, as well. The full event will begin at 10 am and conclude at 3 pm. Attendees will also receive FREE admission to the ASU baseball and softball games after the day of education and tours. Please register by Monday, March 18th. [REGISTER HERE.](#)



**NEW**

## Texas A&M University College of Ag & Life Science on Tour!

The Texas A&M University College of Ag and Life Science is home to 15 departments and various degree programs in the agriculture industry, business, medicine, law, conservation, scientific research, public policy and many others.

This year, the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences will be hosting the **AGLS on Tour series**. AGLS on Tour is a multi-city road tour designed for recently admitted students, including those in Aggie Gateway to Success and Texas A&M-Blinn TEAM, as well as local prospective students eager to explore the college. To register for AGLS on Tour, please visit [tx.ag/AGLSinvite](https://tx.ag/AGLSinvite). See the flyer [HERE](#) for more information about the upcoming events.

## Tom Green 4-H Shooting Sports Events

**Tom Green 4-H 3-D Archery Shoot:** Fees to participate are: Youth (\$15) & Adults (\$25). This event will be held on April 6th at the Tom Green 4-H Shooting Sports Complex. Please [DOWNLOAD](#) the event flyer for the upcoming event. Please pre-register through the county webpage at the following [LINK](#).



**Tom Green 4-H Whizbang:** The Tom Green 4-H Whizbang and Clay Shoot will be May 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. This event is **limited to 60 shooters** and will cost \$225 per shooter for youth members. Adult division will cost \$100. Register on [iClays HERE](#).

## Texas 4-H Center Events

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

- [2024 Summer Camp Schedule](#)
- [Lone Star Splash Camp \(FLYER\)](#)  
**Event Dates:** April 26-28. Registration will CLOSE April 5th.
- [Aperture Academy \(FLYER\)](#)  
**Event Dates:** July 7-10. Registration is limited to 25 participants.







## What's Happening in Texas 4-H...

### Inbound International Exchange Program

Host a Japanese youth in summer 2024 through States' 4-H International & bring the richness of the world to your home. The hosting period is July 24-August 17. Youth to be hosted are ages 12-18. Host families must have a child of the same gender and within three years of age of the hosted youth.

Interested? Submit an application [HERE](#).



### Veterinary Science Camp Opportunities

Keller 4-H would like to invite all 4-H members to their 4-H Veterinary Science Camp on April 20, 2024, in Springtown, Texas. Cost is \$50 (not including lunch). Registration is not completed until payment and waivers are received. Limited number of slots, so register early! [REGISTER HERE](#).

Contact [sanci.hall@gmail.com](mailto:sanci.hall@gmail.com) with questions.

### 4-H Vet Science Camp ([FLYER](#))

Event Date: April 20, 2024

Entry Deadline: April 1, 2024 by 5pm

Camp Fee: \$50

### 4-H Vet Science Photography Contest ([FLYER](#))

Event Date: April 20, 2024 (Turn in photos at camp)

Cost: \$3 per category or \$10 for all 5 categories.

### Texas 4-H Dog Project Opportunities

Do you have a youth involved in the Texas 4-H Dog project? Check out these cool invitational opportunities coming up!

#### Hood County 4-H Dog Show ([FLYER](#))

Event Date: March 23, 2024

Entry Deadline: March 16, 2024

(Same Day Registration will be +\$25 added late fee)

#### Tarrant County 4-H Dog Show ([FLYER](#))

Event Date: April 6, 2024

Contact [Evpoodle@gmail.com](mailto:Evpoodle@gmail.com) or 682-344-7581

**NOTE: Dogs do not have to be validated for either of these two shows.**

### 4-H IDEA Summit

A group of young 4-H alumni from around the nation are collaborating on the IDEA Summit scheduled for April 11-12th in Seattle, Washington. I.D.E.A is a 2-day event featuring engaging professional development workshops on Friday and youth programming on Saturday. The focus is embracing intersectionality through inclusion, diversity, equity, and access. The summit is open to high schoolers from all states. More information for registration is coming out soon! Click image below for details:



### Landscape Design Contest

**Contest Date: June 3, 2024**

Join us for the Texas 4-H Landscape Design Contest June 3, 2024, in College Station, hosted by the Texas A&M University Horticulture Department. Learn more about the contest by [clicking here](#).

**TEXAS 4-H  
LANDSCAPE  
DESIGN**

JUNE 3, 2024  
College Station, TX



### Apply for the 2024 Youth in Action Awards

**Entry Deadline: April 1, 2024**

Teens aged 14-19 are encouraged to apply to the 4-H Youth in Action Program for the chance to tell their 4-H impact story and win a \$5k educational scholarship. [Apply TODAY](#) to become one of four

National 4-H Youth in Action winners. Each outstanding youth will receive a \$5k scholarship, tailored professional mentoring, national speaking opportunities and MORE! Applications are now live until April 1st.