

March 2024

# Deadlines at a Glance



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- MAR 1 <u>District 10 4-H Spring Roundup Registration OPENS</u>
- MAR 1 2024 Horse Validation OPENS on 4HOnline
- MAR 1 District 10 4-H Photography Workshop DEADLINE
- MAR 8-9 TX 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Trg. (Brownwood, TX)
- MAR 14 TX 4-H Congress Press Corps/Lobbyist DEADLINE
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- MAR 22 D-10 4-H Spring Roundup LATE DEADLINE
- MAR 28 State Council At Large Delegate Application DEADLINE
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- APR 1 Lockheed Martin STEM Scholarship DEADLINE
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- APR 6 Sonora Invitational Judging Contests & Fleece Show
- APR 15 CORE Academy Application DEADLINE
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- MAY 1 2024 Horse Validation (\$20) Fee FINAL EADLINE
- MAY 5 2024 Horse Validation (\$250) Fee FINAL DEADLINE

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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 <a href="http://tx.ag/WildfireRelief">http://tx.ag/WildfireRelief</a>.

# District 10 Directory:

- Bandera 4-H
- Bastrop 4-H
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- Wilson 4-H

# 2023-2024 District 10 4-H Calendar

\*Tentative dates are subject to change.

**SPRING DATES** 

| NG Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX             |  |
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| REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, March 1, 2024   |  |
| REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 19, 2024 |  |
| LATE REGISTRATION: WedFri, Mar. 20-22, 2024 |  |
| Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES                |  |
| • Leaders 4 Life (Seguin, TX)               |  |
| Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX)               |  |
| Livestock Judging                           |  |
| Consumer Decision Making                    |  |
| Range/Pasture ID &                          |  |
| Range Evaluation                            |  |
| Wool & Mohair Judging                       |  |
| Share the Fun                               |  |
| Soil Judging                                |  |
| Duds 2 Dazzle                               |  |
| • Fashion Show & Natural Fibers             |  |
| • Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)         |  |
| • 4-H Storyboard Results Released           |  |
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# 2024 Texas 4-H Congress Event Date: 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.

Contact your County Office for House/Senate Delegate Nomination DEADLINE

PRESS CORPS/LOBBYIST DEADLINE: Mar. 14, 2023
CONGRESS REGISTRATION OPENS: April 1, 2024
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 30, 2024 (\$425)

LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 30, 2024 (\$500)

BILL SUBMISSION CLOSES (4HOnline): May 30, 2024

Information <u>Texas 4-H Congress Letter</u>

#### **SUMMER DATES**

Texas 4-H State Roundup – College Station REGISTRATION OPENS: Wed., May 1, 2024 REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Mon., Mar. 13, 2024

#### LATE REGISTRATION:

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

# **Event Information & Helpful Links**

EVENT DATE: June 3-6, 2024

2024 Changes & Reminders
College & Career Fair Registration
Room Block Information
Sponsorship Opportunities
Schedule of Events (Tentative)
Educational Workshops Series

Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook

District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX

REGISTRATION OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

REGISTRATION DEADLINE Tues. May 14, 2024

LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 15-17, 2024

EVENT DATE: June 13, 2024

District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX
REGISTRATION OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024
EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 28, 2024
LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 29-31, 2024

**EVENT DATE: June 26-28, 2024** 

District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg REGISTRATION OPENS: Saturday, June 1, 2024 REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 25, 2024 LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.—Fri. June 26-28, 2024

**EVENT DATE: July 11, 2024** (\*District 10 4-H Planning Meetings for Agents/Staff will be held July 10, 2024)

# CORE Academy – June 17-21, 2024 (<u>FLYER</u>)

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: <a href="https://forms.gle/Gjku1XEVGhtZuZwE8">https://forms.gle/Gjku1XEVGhtZuZwE8</a>
Don't forget to follow the CORE Academy Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CORE4H">https://www.facebook.com/CORE4H</a>



# 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: <a href="https://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-10-spring-round-up/">https://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-10-spring-round-up/</a>

### **MEMBERSHIP & AGE DIVISIONS**

Participants must be 4-H members currently <u>enrolled</u> 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 Rile 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).

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

<u>Information:</u> The 2024-2025 Texas 4-H Council – At Large Delegate Applications are now available online at <a href="https://texas4-https://t

#### 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

<u>Information:</u> 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 <u>Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Handbook</u> 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

<u>Information:</u> 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 <a href="https://www.texasyouthlivestock.com">www.texasyouthlivestock.com</a>. Questions? Email Kelley.Ranly@ag.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 <u>FLYER</u>

# 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

# 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.



# 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)



<u>Information:</u> 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 <a href="https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/">https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/</a> 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)

<u>Information:</u> The Texas 4-H Horse Show committee has released the schedule for the 2024 Texas State 4-H Horse Show: <u>DOWNLOAD HERE.</u> 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)

<u>Information:</u> 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
- 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 5th. The signs for the local surprise celebration are planned to be mailed on or around April 8th. Plan to conduct the local surprise celebration sometime between April 15 – 30th. The surprise celebration should be conducted during this time frame so that a statewide announcement can be made on or around May 1st. 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**

Online Nominations accepted Notification to nominators Local surprise celebrations Upload photos/videos of surprise celebration Honorees to RSVP and pay for extra luncheon tickets Salute to Excellence Luncheon in College Station

By Monday, April 1, 2024 Around April 5, 2024 April 15-30, 2024 By May 1, 2024 May 1-13, 2024

Wednesday, June 5, 2024; 11:45 am check-in

2024 Texas 4-

NOMINATIONS DUE APRIL 1, 2024

# Texas 4-H Center Events

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

- 2024 Summer Camp Schedule: County Camp, Prime Time & Horizons Schedule
- 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training (FLYER) Event Dates: March 8-9, 2024. Registration for this event will be done through the Texas 4-H Center website, NOT via 4HOnline. However, participants MUST have an active profile in 4-H Online.
- Texas 4-H Center Camp Ambassador Training Event Dates: March 14-17th
- 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...

#### **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 <a href="ATTACHMENT">ATTACHMENT</a> 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 <a href="Natalie.Cervantes@ag.tamu.edu">Natalie.Cervantes@ag.tamu.edu</a>. or Isabel.Hernadez@ag.tamu.edu.

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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 1st 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, 204 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: <u>p-hernandez@tamu.edu</u> or <u>Annette.Estrada@ag.tamu.edu</u>; 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 <u>AGENDA</u> for each of the contests. Please contact

<u>Alex.Lopez@ag.tamu.edu</u> with questions.

#### **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

College Station, TX Hosted by the Texas A&M University Horticulture Department



# 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.



# 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 <a href="mailto:lhysmith@tamu.edu">lhysmith@tamu.edu</a> with questions.



# 4-H Day at Agnelo 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.



# Georgia Boot Trailblazers Campaign

Deadline; March 3, 2024

Calling all 4-H'ers around the country! Do you want to show off your 4-H project? Apply for the 2024 Georgia Boot Trailblazer Contest. Georgia Boot is looking for four enthusiastic 4-H'ers to share their 2024 project journeys with the Georgia Boot audience. Don't miss this chance to win a prize package valued at \$500! Learn more by clicking



### 2024 South Texas Ranch Brigade

The South Texas Ranch Brigade is a hands-on, 5day, immersive learning experience designed to educate participants about land stewardship, livestock production, low stress livestock handling, grassland management and nutrition, livestock marketing, and natural resource management.

### **Youth Summer Camp Details:**

Ages: 13-17

NEW

Location: Duval Co. Ranch

Freer, TX

June 22-26, 20224

Deadline: March 15, 2024 Click flyer for more details!

**APPLY HERE!** 



# **Tom Green County 3-D Archery Shoot**

Event Date: April 6, 2024

The Tom Green 4-H Archery Club is inviting all 4-H members to their 3-D Archery Shoot. Fees to participate are: Youth (\$15) and 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. This year, we are offering preregistration through our county webpage at the following LINK.

# **Aggie Gold Horse Judging Contest**

Event Date: April 6-7, 2024 Entry Deadline: March 15, 2024

The Aggie Gold Horse Judging Contest will be held April 6th at the Brazos County Expo in conjunction with the Multi District 4-H Contest. Click the flyer to the right for more information!





# 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.



# 2024 Texas 4-H Virtual Fishing Reel'em In Skill-A-Thon

It's time to start gearing up for the STATEWIDE 2024 4-H Virtual Fishing Reel 'em In Skill-athon! Registration will open on 4HOnline with the spring tournament starting on **March 15th**.

Get outside and fish with your families and friends wherever you are in Texas! Clover Kids & all age divisions are welcome to compete. Prize packages of gift cards, fishing gear, & more will be awarded!

- <u>DOWNLOAD</u> Rules of Play
- DOWNLOAD Marketing Flyer

# **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 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:



# Jim Wells County 4-H Invitational Ag Product ID Contest

Jim Wells County invites 4-H members to compete at their Invitational Ag Product ID Contest on **March 16**th in Alice, TX.

- Registration: \$10 per Individual or \$40 per Team
- Early Deadline to Register: Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>
- Registration fees after March 4<sup>th</sup>: \$15 per Individual or \$50 per Team
- Entry Form: **DOWNLOAD HERE**
- Information Flyer: **DOWNLOAD HERE**

# Texas Outdoor Media Association Photography Contest

Deadline: March 15, 2024
The TOMA Photography Contest encourages self-expression and allows youth to demonstrate their photography skills. This photography contest is for senior level 4-H members across the state.

Click here to submit photos.

