

District 10

August 2024

Deadlines at a Glance



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- AUG 15 4HOnline 2024-2025 Enrollment DELAYED
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- SEP 24 Guadalupe Co. 4-H Livestock Jdg. Contest DEADLINE
- SEP 25 Shooting Sports Coach Trg. (New Boston) **DEADLINE**
- OCT 3-6 National 4-H Volunteer Conference (Southern States)
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- OCT 6-12 <u>National 4-H Week</u>
- OCT 15 Early Bird– National 4-H Ignite Summit DEADLINE

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4-H ENROLLMENT DELAYED

GRILIFE EXTENSION

Enrollment for the 2024-2025 Texas 4-H year has been **delayed until further notice**. We will inform county extension offices as soon as 4HOnline is available for enrollment. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

District 10 Directory:

- Bandera 4-H
- Bastrop 4-H
- Bexar 4-H
- Blanco 4-H
- Caldwell 4-H
- Comal 4-H
- Edwards 4-H
- Gillespie 4-H
- Gonzales 4-H
- Guadalupe 4-H
- Hays 4-H
- Kendall 4-H
- Kerr 4-H
- Kimble 4-H
- Kinney 4-H
- Medina 4-H
- Real 4-H
- Sutton 4-H
- Travis 4-H
- Uvalde 4-H
- Wilson 4-H

2024-2025 District 10 4-H Calendar - Coming Soon

*Projected Release Date: September 1, 2024

As the 2023-2024 Texas 4-H year comes to a close, we are now working on solidifying all major District event dates for the 2024-2025 4-H Year! All calendar dates with registration deadlines will be updated in the Bulletin no later than September 1, 2024. Please be patient as we work closely with our committees and venues to ensure we release the most accurate calendar





2024-2025 Texas 4-H Year starts on Sept. 1, 2024! 4HOnline opens for re-enrollment on Aug. 15, 2024 (Delayed)

<u>Information:</u> With the new 4-H year beginning September 1st, Clubs and Counties are beginning to gear up for the year ahead and making plans. The Texas 4-H office has some 4HOnline information to help new members get registered. As a reminder, the system is currently delayed until further notice. We will inform county extension offices as soon as 4HOnline is available for enrollment.

- Download New Year 4HOnline Document
- 4HOnline County Staff Guides Available
- 4HOnline County PowerPoint Training

Other Helpful Guides:

- <u>Download</u>-Family Enrollment Guides
- Youth New | Renew | Processing
- Volunteer New | Renew | Processing
- **Download**-Family Profiles
- Download-Family Account Editing
- Download-Family Account Duplicate Error
- Download-Family Credit Card Deleting
- Download-Family Password Reset

Additionally, we want to take this opportunity to remind you of resources like the Explore Guides and Project One Pagers to aid in your program this year. Those can be accessed on the Texas 4-H website.

National 4-H Week Resources

October 6-12th, 2024

The theme for the week is "Beyond Ready" celebrating the difference that 4-H makes in young people's lives, allowing them to be beyond ready for whatever they chase after in life!

Click here to access the National 4-H Week templates, logos, fliers & graphics!

Find the 4-H proclamation template by clicking here.





2024-2025 Texas 4-H Junior Master Photography Workshops

JMP Workshop I Registration Period: August 30 – September 15, 2024 JMP Workshop II Registration Period: November 10 – December 1

WHAT IS A JUNIOR MASTER PHOTOGRAPHER?

The Texas 4-H Junior Master Photographer program provides advanced instruction to photography enthusiasts. As a Junior Master Photographer, youth will be expected to return to their counties and districts to serve as teen leaders for the project. Additionally, Junior Master Photographers may be called upon by the County Extension Agent or 4-H Specialist to serve as photographers for various 4-H events and activities. Only dedicated photography project youth wishing to expand their knowledge as well as service to others should apply for this opportunity.

REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY:

- o Intermediate level or higher in 4-H
- Be enrolled in the photography project
- Must attend and complete both Junior Master Photographer (JMP) Workshops I & II, and pass a final test with a score of 80 or higher
- Willing to commit to assist your local and/or district leaders with the photography programs in your areas and photograph county and district events as needed on a voluntary basis.
- Complete the Texas 4-H Junior Master Photographer application by the April 1st deadline.

BROCHURES & HELPFUL LINKS:

- Texas 4-H Junior Master Photographer Brochure
- o Texas 4-H Photography Ambassador Brochure
- Texas 4-H JMP Workshop Flyer 1
- Texas 4-H JMP Workshop Flyer 2

WORKSHOP INFORMATION:

JMP Workshop I

Date: Saturday, September 21

Times: 8 AM to 4:30 PM

Fee: \$50

Location: 17360 Coit Road, Dallas, TX Age Divisions: Intermediate and Senior

Registration: Opens on 4HOnline August 30 and

closes September 15

DSLR Camera Required (some will be available for loan on the day of the workshop)
Limited to the first 50 youth to register.

JMP Workshop II*

Date: Saturday, December 7 Times: 8 AM to 4:30 PM

Fee: \$50

Location: 17360 Coit Road, Dallas, TX Age divisions: Intermediate and Senior

Registration: Opens on 4HOnline November 10

and closes December 1

*Must have attended Workshop I to attend II

DSLR Camera Required (some will be available for

loan on the day of the workshop)



Back to School Sock Bash Fundraiser (FLYER)

Information: The Texas 4-H Foundation is super excited to announce that we have partnered with Bloom Socks for a Back-to-School Sock Bash Fundraiser! This fundraiser will run from August 5th – September 15th. \$5 from every pair of socks sold will go directly to your county! On the order form, each customer will select which county they are supporting. At the end of the fundraiser, the money each county earns from their sales will be put into the respective foundation account. CLICK HERE TO SEE THE STORE! Promote this fundraiser to your 4-H families and communities! Every county that sells 150 pairs of socks will receive a \$1,000 travel voucher from Bloom!





Upcoming Texas 4-H Shooting **Sports Coaches Trainings:**

District 12 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Encino, TX)

- o When: September 21-22, 2024
- o Registration Period: August 15 September 15, 2024
- o Where: Encino, Texas at La Copa Ranch
- o Cost: \$150 (Includes meals, materials, lunch/steak dinner, & polo)
- o Disciplines: Rifle, Archery, Shotgun, Muzzle Loading, and Pistol
- Release Letter & Flyer



District 9 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Beaumont, TX)

- o When: September 27-28, 2024
- o **Registration Period:** August 15 September 4, 2024 (\$120)
- o Late Registration: September 5– September 9, 2024 (\$150)
- Where: Jefferson County AgriLife (1225 Pearl St. Ste 200, Beaumont, TX 77701)
- Cost: \$120 (Includes meals Friday Dinner, Saturday lunch & snacks, materials)
- o Disciplines: Archery Shotgun, Pistol, Rifle and Hunting & Wildlife
- Release Letter & Website

District 4 Shooting Sports Coach Training (New Boston, TX)

- o When: October 12-13, 2024
- Registration Period: September 11 25, 2024
- o Where: Bowie County Courthouse (710 James Bowie Dr., New Boston, TX 75570)
- Cost: \$125 (Includes meals & materials)
- o **Disciplines:** Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol & Archery
- Release Letter & Flyer

District 10 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Seguin, TX)

- o When: November 2-3, 2024
- o Registration Period: September 10 October 8, 2024 (\$130)
- o Late Registration: October 9–11, 2024 (\$150)
- Where: Guadalupe County Extension Office (210 E Live Oak St, Seguin, TX 78155)
- Cost: \$130 (Includes meals & materials)
- o Disciplines: Archery, Shotgun, Rifle Pistol, Muzzleloading, and Hunting & Wildlife
- Release Letter & Flyer COMING SOON!

2024-2025 Food Show & Food Challenge State Guidelines:

Information: The Texas 4-H Food Show and Food Challenge committees are pleased to release the 2024-25 guidelines for each of these contests! As you will see in the guidelines, there have been a few changes made. These changes are highlighted in each of the packets linked below. A reminder that these changes are for the Texas 4-H STATE contests. County and district contest rules will vary so please review those guidelines related to those contests.

Food Show:

24-25 Rules & Guidelines PACKET Food Show PREPARATION Scorecard Food Show PRESENTATION Scorecard

Food Challenge:

24-25 Rules & Guidelines PACKET Food Challenge PREPARATION Scorecard Food Challenge PRESENTATION Scorecard

24-25 Texas 4-H Activities and Adjunct Faculty

Deadline for Group Enrollment: Sept. 15, 2024
COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS ONLY

What is Group Enrollment?

Group Enrollment numbers encompass programs conducted with youth groups such as curriculum enrichment programs within schools and special interest groups conducted in an informal setting. These programs must include at least five sequential learning experiences in one project area and youth participants must have at least two hours of educational instruction.

**NEW FOR THIS YEAR: Counties are encouraged to submit programs as soon as they conclude using only Special Interest or School Enrichment as the delivery mode

Reporting Group Enrollment:

Group Enrollment is the annual federal report that combines all Texas 4-H youth programming efforts. This reports any qualifying program targeting youth between September 1 and August 31 each year. Group Enrollment information must be submitted through 4HOnline to be included in each county's ES-237 annual federal youth enrollment report. 4HOnline and the ES237 reports do not pull data from the TAMED system automatically. They are independent of each other and not integrated.

What are "Duplicates"?

Any youth participant who is also 4-H member would be considered a "duplicate" because they are already enrolled through an individual enrollment form in 4HOnline. If a youth program with a series of at least five learning experiences is offered to ONLY 4-H members, it is **not** included in Group Enrollment. If a youth program with a series of at least five learning experiences is offered to BOTH 4-H members and non 4-H members, then the program may be included in Group Enrollment. The youth participants who were current 4-H members would be considered duplicates.

NEW ANNUAL DEADLINE: September 15th PROGRAM REPORTING TIME FRAME: September 1, 2023-August 31, 2024

ENTRY WEBSITE: https://v2.4honline.com
DOWNLOADABLE RESOURCES:

- Group Enrollment Information Guide
- ◆ Group Enrollment Form
- **♦** Entry Instructions
- ◆ Error Report
- ◆ <u>Informational Video</u>
- ♦ Fast Facts Document

Agents ONLY: 2024-2025 Adjunct Faculty Letter & Information

As an educational agency, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service supports the Texas Education Code and academic responsibility of student 4-H members. The dedication of Extension faculty to see that 4-H members comply with the provisions of the Texas Education Code is important to the effective adherence of the rule among our 4-H members. Extension faculty must be dedicated to complying with the Texas Education Code requirements in order for the Texas 4-H Program to maintain the status of an extracurricular organization. County Staff should be sending their 2024-2025 Adjunct Faculty Guidelines and utilize the template letters within this document to send to your local School Districts and Superintendents.

NEW! District 10 4-H Declined Credit Card Policy

<u>Information:</u> Beginning for the 2024-2025 4-H year, the District 10 4-H Office will instate a new Declined Credit Card Policy for any event registration that shows a declined credit card payment/non-payment. Over the next 2 months, families with outstanding payments for any 2023-2024 District level event will receive an email notification regarding what payment(s) we show as declined and how to rectify. Families can rectify these issues **now** by doing the following:

- 1. Login to 4HOnline using your login credentials.
- 2. On your Family Member Profile list, you can click the blue "VIEW" button next to any family member on your list who has registered for events.
- 3. On the left-hand side there will be a menu, click on the "EVENTS" link.
- 4. Once on this page, you can view all events the member has registered for. If you see any event with "ADDITIONAL PAYMENT REQUIRED", this event has a declined credit card/non-payment on file. *NOTE: If your County office is paying for your registration via County check you may disregard these events.
- 5. To resubmit a credit card payment, please follow these steps to submit a new payment: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/4honline_guide_family_quick_start_event_resubmit_cc_payment.pdf
- 6. If you would like to verify if your payment has been withdrawn from your bank/financial institution, you can look up all 4HOnline transactions by searching for any transaction listed as **AGEX TEXAS 4H** on your financial statements.

It's crucial that you resolve your payment issue prior to September 1st of the new 2024-2025 4-H year. Any unresolved declined credit card payments will be flagged, and affected individuals will be unable to register for any District 4-H events for the upcoming year. We believe this measure is necessary to maintain the integrity of our District level competitions and ensure a level playing field for all involved. IMPORTANT: No longer attending a District event is NOT a reason for not clearing up your Credit Card payment. When you remit your registration, you agree to payment in full whether you attend or not.

If you have any questions, you can contact Natalie Cervantes at natalie.cervantes@ag.tamu.edu.

2024 District Gold Star Award Information





<u>Information:</u> 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 <u>ATTACHMENT</u> for the guidelines for Gold Star and the number of youth, that can be awarded this award in each county in the current year.

<u>Once you have your selected Gold Star Recipients:</u> 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@ag.tamu.edu or Isabel.Hernadez@ag.tamu.edu.



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

Texas 4-H Homes for Horses

The Texas 4-H Homes for Horses program is entering its fourth year! To date, they've successfully assisted 32 horses in Texas. Given that Texas has the highest number of horses in the nation, our commitment to aiding at-risk or transitioning horses is more vital than ever. This program not only significantly enhances the welfare and training of horses, preventing abuse, abandonment, and neglect, but it also offers families a fantastic opportunity to experience horse ownership for a year. Additionally, participants in this program are eligible for \$10,000 in scholarships awarded at the Texas State 4-H Horse Show. I encourage you to inform your 4-H youth about this remarkable opportunity. Applications are open to any active Texas 4-H member who is at least 13 years old and are due by August 15th.

https://forms.gle/U5zsTFmqMmrb85mM7.

HOMES FOR HORSES FAST FACTS

Guadalupe County 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

Guadalupe County is inviting 4-H members to the Guadalupe County 4-H Livestock Judging Contest on Saturday, September 28, 2024 in Marion, TX (1005 W FM 78). The Pre-Registration deadline is September 24, 2024.

- \$40 per Jr./Sr. Team
- \$10 per Jr./Sr. Individual

How to Register: For Entry Form click HERE. Questions: Contact the Guadalupe County Extension Office: (830) 379-1972 or email <u>i-hanselka</u>@tamu.edu

National 4-H Volunteer Conference of the **Southern States**



We would like to officially invite you and your 4-H volunteers to attend the 2024 4-H Volunteer Conference of the Southern States! This year's conference will be held Oct. 3rd-6th. Below is the link to register and find more details about the conference. The Conference Overview tab at the top has many more conference details. Please let Laura Huebinger if you are interested.

Conference website: http://www.4hvcoss.com/ Direct link to registration portal:

https://4hvcoss.regfox.com/4-h-ignite-your-passion

4-H Day in Aggieland Date Change

Save the NEW date for 4-H Weekend in Aggieland. 4-H Day at COALS will be held on Friday. September 20th and 4-H Day in Aggieland will be held on Saturday, September 20th. On Saturday, we will host leadership opportunities and a tailgate. and offer discounted tickets to the Texas A&M football game. The Texas A&M Aggies will take on the Bowling Green Falcons at 6:30 PM in Kyle Field. More information will be available soon about the other events but purchase your tickets to the football game now! Click here to purchase tickets.



Turkey Farm Showdown

4-H Members are invited on September 14th for the Gillespie Turkey Farm Showdown. Entries are \$30 per head/per ring. Cash, Check, or Venmo are acceptable forms of payment. Exhibitors mush show in Ring A in order to show in Ring B. For more information click on the flyer (right) to visit the Facebook page or contact Duane Kuhl at 512,924,1348.



National 4-H Shooting Sports Team Application

The Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Team application for those that are applying to go to the 4-H National Championships in 2025 is now open. It is on 4-H online titled "2024-2025 Texas Shooting

Sports Team application".

Members must be a current enrolled 4-H'er and be enrolled in the 2024-2025 4-H year to be eligible. Please share with all 4-H Shooting Sports Clubs, and project groups. For more information go to: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/



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



Go wild with San Antonio's premier mobile zoo offering interactive live animal experiences! Serving the greater San Antonio area and beyond, this program is looking to partner with schools and 4-H clubs to bring the wonder of wildlife directly to you! This program offers:

- Working with 4-H agents to enhance afterschool programming at grade schools with special Once in a Wild appearances.
- Offering multi-week Zoology project classes for 4-Hers on the club or county level.
- Enhancing club, county, or district events with fun and interactive activations such as Meet & Greets and Petting Zoos.

Depending on the class size, these specialized STEAM lessons can range from \$10-25 per session for each student! Book an encounter HERE.

NEW

Cultivating Tomorrow's Food Leaders with the 2024 STEM Challenge

The 2024 4-H STEM Challenge, Food for Thought, is available for purchase. The kit provides young people with a hands-on experience as they explore the topic of food security and its impact on the world, empowering them to innovate and create positive change in their communities. Developed by Council and 4-H educators from LSU AgCenter, North Dakota State University, Penn State Extension, and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the new STEM Challenge is a collection of three activities that equip kids with STEM-based skills as they embark on a journey to learn more about food security.

Click here to purchase the kit.



National 4-H "Ignite" Summit (March 12-16, 2025, Washington D.C.)



Join National 4-H at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, D.C., for Ignite by 4-H! The four-day interactive summit helps teens find their spark through inspiring speakers, hands-on workshops, off-site experiences, career exploration, and peer connections. The possibilities are endless at Ignite by 4-H. Special Early Bird Rate ends October 15th.

Teens: \$1,200 per person (double occupancy)
Adults: \$1,650 per person (single occupancy)

For a limited time only, while quantities last, buy the Teen Ticket Bundle value pack, where you will receive five (5) teen tickets for the price of four (4). Registration will be open until SOLD OUT or November 25th. Attendee names are not required to purchase, and one point of contact can be the purchaser for their group. All names are due by December 2nd, so don't miss out — buy your tickets today! Click here to get started.





Alumni? Step Up and Serve Texas 4-H!

Do you have a passion for Texas 4-H? Now is the time to re-connect with the program that developed you. Clover Collaboration is a way for the state 4-H program to establish a network that connects passionate individuals with opportunities to support Texas 4-H youth! Click here to fill out the form.

Additionally, we are eager to re-establish connections with our past State Council members, and we would greatly appreciate your assistance in achieving this goal!

If you are a Texas 4-H Council Alumni, please complete the form by clicking here.