

# District 10



March 2025



## Deadlines at a Glance



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**Mark your calendars for our annual District 10 4-H Virtual Record Book Training!** Training will take place on

Microsoft TEAMS on Thursday, April 3, 2025 @6:30PM. Attendees will learn the basics of constructing a quality record book, writing tips/techniques and how to prepare all members for their future! Join [via the hyperlink in our flyer!](#)

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# 2024-2025 District 10 4-H Calendar

## SPRING & SUMMER DATES

<b>2025-2026 Texas 4-H Council – At Large Delegate</b>	
<b>APPLICATION DEADLINE: Mar. 27, 2025</b>	
Important Links:	<a href="#">25-26 At-Large Delegate Application</a> <a href="#">25-26 Leadership History Form</a> <a href="#">25-26 Texas 4-H Council Contract</a> <a href="#">Texas 4-H Council Standing Rules</a>
<p><b>Information:</b> The 2025-2026 At-Large Delegate application information has been posted at <a href="https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ambassadors/">https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ambassadors/</a>. Interested candidates that would like to run for At-Large Delegate positions should review the contract and agree to it before running for one of the positions that serves on the Texas 4-H Council.</p> <p>The <b>MANDATORY</b> July Council Training is scheduled for Monday, July 28, through Thursday, July 31, in Stephenville, TX. Additional details about these dates and other dates for the year can be found in the contract. Please communicate these dates early on with your potential district candidates along with anyone you know considering one of the six At-Large Positions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2025-2026 At-Large Delegate Application</a> – <b>Deadline March 27, 2025 *CORRECTED 1/14/2025</b></li> <li>• <a href="#">2025-2026 At-Large Leadership History Form</a> (word document)</li> <li>• <a href="#">2025-2026 Texas 4-H Council Membership Contract</a> – Required by both At-Large and District Delegates</li> <li>• <a href="#">Texas 4-H Council Standing Rules</a></li> </ul> <p>If you missed the Q&amp;A session with current Council members that went through the At-Large process this past year – the session was recorded for those unable to attend <a href="#">HERE</a>.</p>	

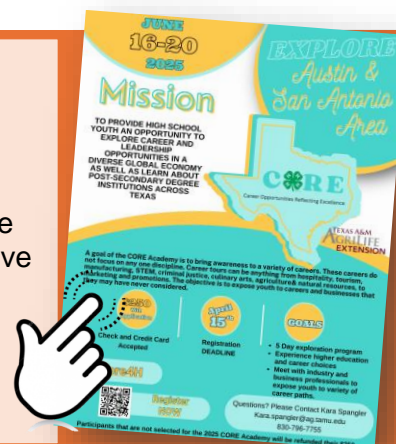
## SPRING & SUMMER DATES

<b>District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX</b>	
<b>REGISTRATION OPENS: Tues., Feb. 25, 2025</b>	
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 18, 2025</b>	
<b>LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri, Mar. 19-21, 2025</b>	
<b>Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES</b>	
April 8, 2025	• Leaders 4 Life (Bastrop, TX)
April 10, 2025	• Livestock Skillathon <b>NEW!</b>
April 11, 2025	• Range ID & Evaluation (AM) • Soil Judging (AM) • Wool & Mohair Judging (PM)
April 14, 2025	• Livestock Judging
April 16, 2025	• Meat Judging <b>CORRECTION</b>
April 24, 2025	• Talent Showcase • Consumer Decision Making • Textiles
April 25, 2025	• Duds 2 Dazzle (Team/Solo) • Fashion Show & Natural Fibers • 4-H Storyboard
April 26, 2025	• Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)
<b>District 10 Horse Show</b>	
<i>Due to low participation &amp; increased costs for the past 2 years, the District 10 4-H program has decided not to host a Horse Show for the 24-25 year. We will promote other local events during the year for horse exhibitors.</i>	
<b>District 10 Leadership Lab – Alto Frio</b>	
<b>REGISTRATION OPENS: Thursday, May 1, 2025</b>	
<b>EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 27, 2025</b>	
<b>LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 28-30, 2025</b>	
<b>EVENT DATE: June 25-27, 2025</b>	
<b>District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg</b>	
<b>REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, June 6, 2025</b>	
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 24, 2025</b>	
<b>LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri. June 25-27, 2025</b>	
<b>EVENT DATE: Thursday, July 10, 2025</b>	

## CORE Academy 2025 - Deadline April 15, 2025

**Information:** CORE Academy is a career exploration program that is designed to expose high school aged youth to a variety of 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, or marketing & promotion. The primary goal is to provide youth an awareness of careers and businesses that they may have never considered. Interested members should apply by April 15, 2025. Please see the following documents for more information:

- [FLYER](#)
- [CORE SCHEDULE 2025](#)



# 2025 District 10 4-H Spring Roundup

Registration Period: February 25 – March 18, 2025 **TOMORROW!**

Late Registration Period: March 19 – 21, 2025 (+\$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-round-up/>

## 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, 2024.

- Junior: 8 yrs. old & in 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> (& not surpassed 18 yrs.)
- \*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](http://v2.4honline.com)).

**Regular Registration Period:** \$15 per contest entered – Feb. 25 - **Mar. 18, 2025 (DEADLINE)**

**Late Registration:** \$40 per contest entered – Mar. 19-21, 2025 **FINAL LATE DEADLINE**

**NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 21, 2025!**

## CONTEST GUIDE & SCHEDULE

### 2025 District 10 Spring Roundup Guide

 **DOWNLOAD NOW**

#### Tuesday, April 8, 2025

- Leaders 4 Life Contest – Bastrop Extension Office

#### Thursday, April 10, 2025

- Livestock Skillathon – Gillespie Extension Office

#### Friday, April 11, 2025

- Range Contests – Gillespie Fairgrounds
- Soil Judging – Meet at Gillespie Extension Office
- Wool & Mohair Judging – Gillespie Extension Office

#### Monday, April 14, 2025

- Livestock Judging Contest – Gillespie Fairgrounds

#### Wednesday, April 16, 2025

- Meat Judging – ASU Meats Lab (San Angelo, TX)

#### Thursday, April 24, 2025

- Talent Showcase – Gillespie Extension Office & Fredericksburg United Methodist Church
- Textiles Contest - Gillespie Extension Office
- Consumer Decision - Gillespie Extension Office

#### Friday, April 25, 2025

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

#### Saturday, April 26, 2025

- Smallbore Rifle Contest – Wilson Expo Center

## **Volunteers **NEEDED** for District 10 Spring Roundup!**

**Information:** We are in need of volunteers for various contests for District 10 4-H Spring Roundup in Fredericksburg, TX! Please see volunteer needs below and sign up your volunteers by filling out our [Google Doc Form](#).

- **Judges for Talent Showcase (Thurs. Apr. 24<sup>th</sup>):** Adult judges needed (no experience necessary!) to judge talent showcase contest. **Judges' arrival is set at 7:30AM and will conclude at approximately 1pm.**
- **Helpers/Group Leaders for CDM (April 24<sup>th</sup>):** Help needed for group leaders. **Arrival at 1pm.** (No experience necessary!)
- **Judges for Textiles Contest (April 24<sup>th</sup>):** Judges needed for textiles contest! **Arrival at 1pm.** (No experience necessary!)
- **Judges/Helpers for Duds to Dazzle (Fri. Apr. 25<sup>th</sup>):** Adult judges or youth helpers needed for Duds to Dazzle contest. **Volunteer arrival is set at 8:00AM and Judges Orientation begins at 8:15 AM** Adult leaders experienced with the Fashion & Interior Design project preferred but not required for judging.
- **Judges/Helpers for Fashion Show/Natural Fiber (Fri. April. 25<sup>th</sup>):** Adult judges needed for Fashion Show/Natural Fiber Contest. **Volunteer arrival is set at 1:00PM and Judges Orientation begins at 1:30PM** Adult leaders experienced with the Fashion & Interior Design project preferred but not required for judging.
- **4-H Youth needed for Duds to Dazzle/Fashion Show Awards Program (Fri. April. 25<sup>th</sup>):** Youth members needed to help set-up & speak/MC the Awards programs for both contests. No experience necessary! Sign up on the Google Doc linked above!



# 2025 4-H Outdoor Challenge

*Registration: April 1 – May 15, 2025 - \$60.00 Fee per contest*

*Event Date: June 15-15, 2025 (Saturday & Sunday)*

**Information:** The 4-H Outdoor Challenge contest consists of 10 events where teams compete to earn points for overall high point position. A team consists of exactly 2 members within the same age division and gender class. Teams compete in all 10 events during one weekend of competition. Participants will learn and practice various outdoor education activities from fishing and shooting to camping and biologist skills. See [ANNOUNCEMENT LETTER HERE](#). The 10 Events for 2025 will be:

- Outdoor Safety
- Rifle Shooting
- Outdoor First Aid
- Fishing
- Outdoor Skills
- Archery Shooting
- Outdoor Gear Selection
- Paddling (Kayak)
- Biologist Skills
- Off Road Biking

# Shooting Sports Extravaganza

*Registration Deadline – March 23, 2025 via 4HOnline*

**Information:** Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza registration is now open via 4HOnline. The event will take place on April 12, 2025 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood, Texas. Extravaganza is a **beginner match for first, and second-year shooting sports project members**. Participants **MUST** be shooting under a 4-H certified coach in the discipline registered. Deadline for entry – March 23, 2025

- [Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza Handbook](#)

# 2025 Texas 4-H Virtual Sportfishing Program



*Late Registration – Mar. 16 – Apr. 30, 2025*

**Information:** It's time to start preparing those rods and reels to **Reel 'em In** during the 2025 Spring Texas 4-H Virtual Sportfishing Program! [DOWNLOAD](#) the Program Letter that includes live links to enroll in the tournament and skill-a-thon, rules of play, and to review Texas Parks and Wildlife fishing regulations. Our planning team has also made a big shift this year to focus this program on the educational portion of sportfishing by offering the following opportunities to 4-H youth and Clover Kids across the state:

- Follow the program on Facebook at **2025 Texas 4-H Virtual Fishing** or **Texas 4-H Natural Resources** pages. Also, all information is now posted on the Texas 4-H website under the Sportfishing project page.
- Three live, but virtual, **educational presentations** via Zoom
- An 8-week **tournament** to fish in YOUR location for freshwater and saltwater species (separate tournaments for spring and summer)
- An opportunity to demo and test your fishing skills and knowledge in a new **Virtual Sportfishing Skill-a-thon contest**
- A way to earn your annual **Texas 4-H Sportfishing Certification** pin
- and, of course, outstanding **prizes** for those BIG catches!

**NEW**

# Texas 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Awards – Due April 1<sup>st</sup>!

**Information:** Do you know an OUTSTANDING 4-H volunteer? Nominations for the 2025 Salute to Excellence Awards are now open online through [Formsite](#) to recognize volunteers, donors, & 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 6 recognition categories are:

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

Salute to Excellent Award Packet: [2025 Salute to Excellence Packet.pdf](#)

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 website Awards & Recognition page: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/awards/>

(Previous winners are posted on this website.)

# 2025 Texas 4-H Horse Validation



March 1<sup>st</sup> – May 1<sup>st</sup>: Validation Entry Period on 4HOnline

May 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> : LATE Validation Period (\$250 per horse)

**INFORMATION:** 4-H exhibitors wishing to participate in the 2025 State Horse show must validate any horses that will be used in the 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 the State Horse Show in July. 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. The state will review validations at the state level on March 1<sup>st</sup> and will be working closely with families & agents to fix errors as quickly as possible prior to the deadline.

- [2025 Horse Validation Guidelines \(Families\)](#)
- [Validation Walk-Through Guide for Families](#)
- [Additional Resources/One-Pagers](#)

[2025 Horse Validation Guidelines \(for CEAs\)](#)  
[Validation Walk-Through YouTube Video](#)

## 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 the State 4-H Horse Show.
- **Youth validating a futurity horse must be at least 12 years of age (as of Sept. 1, 2024) and at least in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.**

## LEASE HORSES:

Lease horses are eligible to be validated and shown at the State 4-H Horse Show. An official Texas 4-H Horse Lease Agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and the supervising County 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.

## Calling All 4-H Entrepreneurs to Roundup!

**Information:** Do you know a 4-H member with a business or creative venture? This year, we are adding an opportunity for 4-H members to highlight their businesses as part of the Texas 4-H Roundup Trade Show. We feel this is the perfect opportunity for young entrepreneurs to promote their businesses, develop marketing skills, and gain hands-on experience! The event is June 3-5, 2025, as part of the Texas 4-H Roundup Trade Show. Booth space will be \$25 for an 8x10 booth plus event registration fee which will open through 4HOnline on April 14th. Deadline to register for a booth is **April 28th**. Any Texas 4-H member with a business or entrepreneurial project can participate, does not have to be in high school, but must be accompanied by a chaperone. To learn more or register, visit this [link](#) or contact Jana Barrett at [jcbarrett@aq.tamu.edu](mailto:jcbarrett@aq.tamu.edu).



# Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine & Poultry Ambassador

*Application Deadline April 15, 2025*

**Information:** Texas 4-H is looking for the next co-hort of Texas 4-H [Livestock](#), [Equine](#) and [Poultry](#) Ambassadors in your county and recruit them to the program. Ambassadors will attend in-depth short courses and will be equipped with the knowledge and leadership skills to assist with educational programs in their County and beyond. Details can be found at [www.texasyouthlivestock.com](http://www.texasyouthlivestock.com).

## **2025 Short Course Offering:**

1. Equine Ambassador Short Course, Tarleton State University – June 9-12, 2025
2. Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M University-Kingsville – June 16-19, 2025
3. Poultry Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M University – June 23-26, 2025
4. Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M University – July 7-10, 2025
5. Livestock Ambassador Short Course, West Texas A&M University/Texas Tech– July 14-17, 2025

## **Selection Criteria:**

- Senior level (grades 9-12 in fall 2025) 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 and advocacy
- Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others
- Top 25% class rank preferred

## **Application Process:**

- Applications available at [www.texasyouthlivestock.com](http://www.texasyouthlivestock.com)
- Student will complete the application and enter the contact information of supervising Extension Agent
- CEA will be automatically emailed a recommendation survey
- A selection committee will review the applications and accept up to 25 participants per short course
- Applications are due April 15, 2025

## **2025 Phase II and Phase III Offering:**

- Texas 4-H Advocacy Academy, Austin – July 21-23, 2025
- Texas 4-H Japan Agricultural Experience – July 26-August 6, 2025 - \*dates tentative\*

# Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors Program

*Application Deadline: April 1, 2025*

**Information:** The Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador program is designed for high school age youth who have a passion for health and wellness. Youth will be trained at the local & regional level to become youth health experts who can motivate others to make changes in their lifestyle and improve overall health. More importantly, ambassadors will assist local county extension agents with program efforts, project activities, and much more!

## **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Be in at least the 9th grade at beginning of the 2025-26 school year.
- Submit completed application online by April 1, 2025.
- Applicants do not have to be a current member of Texas 4-H but must agree to become a 4-H member (\$25 annual membership fee due Sep. 1, 2025) if selected to participate in the HTYA program.

## **Resources & How to Apply:**

- [HTYA Handbook](#)
- [Flyer](#)
- [Agent Guide](#)

## **2025 States' 4-H International Exchange Summer Hosting Program**

**Information:** *The Texas 4-H Program is proud to announce the 2025 States' 4-H International Exchange Summer Hosting Program (FLYER)! For over 20 years, Texan families have opened their hearts and homes to international youth across the globe, sharing our rich Texan culture and learning about theirs. Program details below:*

- Interested host families & host siblings must commit to a 4-week homestay for a Japanese youth (12-18 yrs.). The host period will take place over the summer (July 23-August 16, 2025). *\*Note: Host families/siblings are not required to be 4-H members.*
- Families must have a child of the same gender and within 4 yrs. of the hosted youth. Families without children may host an adult chaperone for a 2-week or 4-week homestay.
- Interested families may [check out the details and apply online today!](#)

**NEW**

# Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program

**Application Deadline May 1, 2025**

**Information:** The Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program provides high school youth an opportunity to gain advanced knowledge and develop leadership skills related to the science, technology, engineering, and management of water in Texas. By connecting with water professionals, water ambassadors gain exposure and recognition as youth leaders, learn about scholarship and internship opportunities, and explore the diverse career paths in the water industry.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Senior level 4-H youth (grades 9-12 in fall 2026)
- Students with a genuine interest in water and natural resources

**Application Process:**

- Student will review terms, conditions, and expectations of a 4-H Water Ambassador – [www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com/application](http://www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com/application)
- Student will complete the online application and submit two letters of recommendation
- CEA will be notified of any youth applying within their county
- Applications are reviewed and up to 30 youth are selected
- CEA will be notified of any youth selected within their county
- Applications accepted March 15 – May 1, 2025

**Requirements:**

- Participate in the Tier I 4-H2O Leadership Academy (tour) – June 8-14
- Commit to completing a minimum of 40 hours of education/service by June 30, 2026
- Complete monthly assignments
- Make a good faith effort to attend Spring/Fall retreats and participate in monthly Zoom seminars
- Pay the \$300 participation fee
- Regularly attend and participate in local 4-H club meetings and events.

**NEW**

# 2025 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

**Application Deadline April 16, 2025**

**Information:** The 2025 4-H Beekeeping Essay topic has been announced! Please see details below on how to participate!

**Who can participate?** Open to any Texas 4-H Member. Judged as one group, not by age divisions.

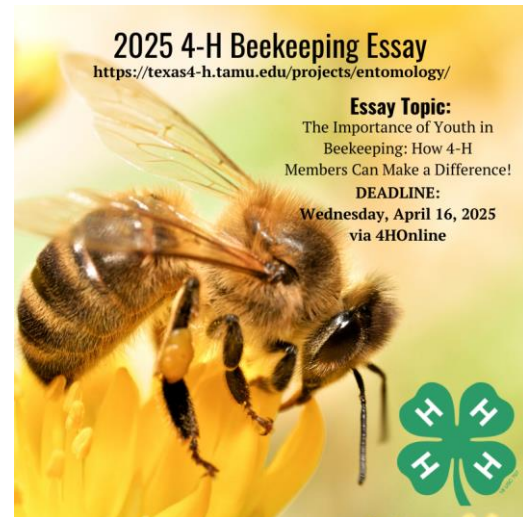
**Rules & Guidelines:** <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/entomology/>

**Deadline:** Wednesday, April 16, 2025

**How to Submit:** Submit Electronically via Texas 4HOnline:

**Event Name:** State – 2025 Beekeeping Essay Contest

**Topic:** Announced by the The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc. **“The Importance of Youth in Beekeeping: How 4-H Members Can Make a Difference!”**



# 2025 Yellow Rose Scholarship Opportunity – Due April 15<sup>th</sup> **NEW**

**Informaiton:**The San Antonio Roses are excited to offer steer kids who showed in San Antonio but did not make the sale a chance at \$2000 cash scholarships! See guidelines and application details below:

**Guidelines:** A Steer kid that showed in San Antonio and did not make the sale in 2025.

**To Apply:** Steer kid needs to mail a short letter to the San Antonio Roses which will include: Name, Email, Phone Number, Age, City of Residence, School you attend & something you learned from raising steers.

**Deadline for entries is April 15, 2025.**

**How to Submit:** Email or Mail letter to: [traciwb12@gmail.com](mailto:traciwb12@gmail.com) or to the “San Antonio Roses, P.O. Box 1974, Seguin, TX 78156”



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



## Gillespie County Photography Workshop March 22, 2025—Click image to download [FLYER!](#)

**PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP**

Come Learn From Hewston Lochte  
Gillespie County's Photography Ambassador About Nature Photography!

**WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS:**  
HANDS-ON LEARNING EXPERIENCE  
ABOUT:  
LANDSCAPE PHOTOGRAPHY  
LANDSCAPE PHOTOGRAPHY  
MACRO PHOTOGRAPHY  
FLORA/FLORA PHOTOGRAPHY  
DSLR AND DSLR CAMERAS ARE WELCOME

**DATE & TIME:**  
MARCH 22, 2025  
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**PLACE:**  
At Texas A&M AgLife Extension Gillespie County  
38 Business Ct Fredericksburg, TX

RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW  
LIMIT 50 & HERE

## 2025 Kimble County Wool & Mohair Invitational April 6<sup>th</sup> – Junction Texas



### KIMBLE COUNTY WOOL & MOHAIR JUDGING CONTEST

APRIL 6TH 2025

Coke Stevenson Center  
400 US Highway 87 North  
Junction, TX 76849

Registration Opens - 1pm  
Contest Starts - 1:30pm  
Awards to follow

\*Registration fee: \$12/ contestant

Questions? Contact:  
Email: [mckenzie.striegler@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:mckenzie.striegler@ag.tamu.edu)  
Phone: 325.446.2620



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## Real County Range & Pasture Invitational March 29<sup>th</sup> – Leakey, TX

Real County invites all 4-H teams to participate in the BSRC Invitational Range & Pasture Grass ID and Evaluation contest. This contest will be held Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at the Big Springs Ranch for Children just north of Leakey, Texas. Lunch will be provided. There is no fee to enter this contest. For more details see flyer below! To register, please email [Rainey.Bingham@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Rainey.Bingham@ag.tamu.edu) or call (830)232-5464.

**RANGE & PASTURE GRASS ID & EVALUATION INVITATIONAL**

MARCH 29

At Big Springs Ranch  
Hosted by Real County Extension  
Open to all 4-H

**Schedule:**  
8AM: Registration (GRASS ID & RANGE JUDGING)  
If not pre-registered  
8:45AM: Depart for Range Judging Site  
9:00AM: Range Judging On-Site Orientation & begin Contest  
11:00AM: Grass ID Contest  
12:00PM: Light lunch provided  
1 PM: Awards

**SAT 8 AM**

10644 US HWY 83 N  
Leakey, Texas 78873  
(About 10 miles N of Leakey)

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

## Sonora Invitational Judging Contests & Fleece Show *Pre-registration is appreciated!* ([FORMS](#))

Sutton County 4-H Invites members to the Sonora Invitational 4-H Judging Contests on **April 5, 2025**. Youth may enter all contests: Grass ID, Range Evaluation, Wool Judging & Mohair Judging. They will also have a fleece show for members to exhibit ([DOWNLOAD RULES](#)). Please pass this on to your Breeding Sheep or Angora Goat exhibitors! Forms can be emailed to [p\\_hernandez@tamu.edu](mailto:p_hernandez@tamu.edu) or [Annette.Estrada@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Annette.Estrada@ag.tamu.edu); or hard copies may be mailed to: **Sutton County Extension Office, P.O. BOX 1047, Sonora, TX 76950**

**Location:** Sutton Civic Center (1700 N. Crockett, Sonora)  
**Schedule:**

- 8AM:** Grass ID & Range Judging Registration Opens
- 1PM:** Awards (Grass ID & Range Judging)
- 1PM:** Wool & Mohair/Fleece Show Registration
- 5PM:** Awards (Wool & Mohair Judging/Fleece Show)



## BUGS n' BLOOMS Camp

During 4-H Roundup, the Texas A&M University Gardens and Junior Master Gardener Program will be hosting a half-day camp, **BUGS N' BLOOMS CAMP!** Limited to 25 students! See details below!

- Who: 8-10 year olds
- What: Learn about plants and insects with hands-on activities from the JMG curriculum!
- When: June 3-5, 2025, from 8:30 am to 11:30 am
- Where: The Gardens at Texas A&M University
- March 10<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>: Use code: **"FourH"** (4-Her's Only!)
- March 24<sup>th</sup>: General Registration Opens to Public
- [Registration Link](#) (25 student max)



## Texas 4-H Landscape Design Challenge

**Information:** The Texas 4-H Landscape Design Challenge is hosted by the Horticulture Department at Texas A&M University during the week of Texas 4-H Roundup. This contest enhances landscape design knowledge and provides exposure to A&M horticulture degrees and other opportunities. There will be an informational meeting regarding the landscape challenge for all who have interest on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2 PM. The contest will be held June 2nd. Click [HERE](#) for the link to the informational!





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

## 2025 Texas 4-H Roundup Updates **2024-2025 CONTEST CHANGES**

The Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook has been posted to <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/>.

Texas 4-H Roundup Hotel Room Blocks posted: <https://sites.google.com/view/texas4hroundup> under **Hotel Room Blocks**

**Registration will be April 14 - May 6, 2025 through 4HOnline.** With Late Registration beginning as follows:

- May 7 - May 8, 2025: Additional \$50 Late Fee.
  - May 9 - May 14, 2025: Additional \$250 Late Fee
  - May 15 - May 31, 2025: Additional \$500 Late Fee
- NO REGISTRATION ACCEPTED AFTER MAY 31**

## Lone Star 4-H Splash Camp *Click image below for flyer and details!*



## HIRING: Texas 4-H Roundup Summer Interns!

Are you ready to participate in the largest 4-H event in Texas and gain hands-on experience in event planning, logistics, and marketing? The Texas 4-H Program is offering **paid** summer internships for motivated students who want to develop their skills while working behind the scenes of the Texas 4-H Roundup, which will take place June 2-5, 2025, in College Station, TX!

### POSITION DESCRIPTION & JOB DUTIES:

<https://sites.google.com/view/texas4hroundup/roundup-internship-opportunity>

**DEADLINE TO APPLY:** March 23, 2025 - 11:59 PM

**QUESTIONS: Contact:** Jana Barrett – 979-321-5287 or email: [jcbarrett@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:jcbarrett@ag.tamu.edu)

## 25/26 & 26/27 Texas 4-H Food Show Theme

### FOOD TRUCK FAVORITES

Get ready to fire up your creativity and cooking skills at this year's 4-H Food Show, featuring the exciting theme "Food Truck Favorites!" From gourmet tacos to sizzling stir-fries and mouthwatering health inspired desserts, food trucks bring bold flavors and innovative dishes to the streets—now it's your turn to bring that energy to the kitchen!

Participants will showcase their culinary talents by preparing dishes inspired by popular food truck fare. Whether it's a globally inspired street food dish, a classic American favorite with a twist, or a fusion creation all your own, this competition challenges 4-H members to explore diverse flavors, unique ingredients, and creative presentation.

Let's hit the road and serve up some **Food Truck Favorites!**



**2025/26-2026/2027  
TEXAS 4-H  
FOOD SHOW THEME**

## 2025 Texas 4-H Roundup Buckle Blitz!

**Information:** In 2023, Texas 4-H Council set a goal to secure funding to support 208 Buckles. For the first time ever, buckles were awarded to ALL Texas 4-H Roundup Champion Team members & individuals! The 24-25 Texas 4-H Council is now seeking help with the **2025 Buckle Blitz Initiative**. You can be a part of this exciting tradition by sponsoring a buckle! To learn more about how you can contribute or sponsor a buckle, click [HERE](#) or contact Jana Barrett at [jcbarrett@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:jcbarrett@ag.tamu.edu) with the subject line "Roundup Sponsorship Opportunities."

## Upcoming Natural Resources Leader Trainings

### 4-H Sportfishing/Flyfishing Project Leader Trg.

**(FLYER)**

- Date: March 28-29, 2025
- Location: Bastrop, TX
- Register via 4HOnline – Deadline March 20<sup>h</sup>

### 4-H Forestry Project CEA/Leader Training

**(FLYER)**

- Date: April 14-16, 2025
- Location: Conroe, TX
- Email: [lhysmith@tamu.edu](mailto:lhysmith@tamu.edu) to RSVP



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

## National 4-H Youth in Action Program

*Deadline: March 31, 2025*

**Information:** Amplifies the diverse stories and leadership of 4-H youth who are making a difference in their communities every day. It is a premiere community of 4-H'ers who are preparing for their future while showcasing how 4-H changed their lives and equipped them to change the lives of others. All applicants will receive media & storytelling training; have their stories saved in our National 4-H database; receive a \$5,000 scholarship, professional development, and all-expense paid trips as National 4-H spokespeople. The nomination window will open Jan 27-Mar 31, with an informational webinar taking place on Jan. 21. Nominees should be between 14-19 on Jan 1, 2025. If anyone is interested, they should contact the state office or email: [natalie.cervantes@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:natalie.cervantes@ag.tamu.edu)



## SUPPORT TEXAS 4-H AT EXCITING FUNDRAISERS!

- Several fundraising events are coming up, including a family friendly Kevin Fowler Concert in Waco, TX!
- Take advantage of the exclusive early ticket sales NOW! [Foundation Benefit Concert: Kevin Fowler](#)
- Check out other upcoming fundraising events [HERE](#).

## Clover Connection – A Career Hub for 4-H Alumni!

We're soft launching Clover Connection [LINK HERE](#), a platform designed to connect 4-H alumni with job opportunities! Employers can post job listings & Alumni can upload resumes for potential employers to browse.

## 4-H Member Invitational Contests at "Buc Days" Location: Corpus Christi, TX



**Buc Days  
Construction Junior**



**Buc Days Clays  
Food Show & Food Challenge**

Date(s): May 9 (Food Show) – May 10 (Food Challenge)  
Location: On Buc Days Festival grounds in the American Bank Center Exhibit Hall  
Total of \$12,000+ in prize money across both events!  
Food Show Info/Registration [LINK HERE](#)  
Food Challenge Info/Registration [LINK HERE](#)

Date: May 3, 2025  
Location: Throughout Buc Days Festival Grounds  
Info/Registration [LINK HERE](#)



## TAMU Kingsville Agricultural Mechanics Project Show

The TAMU Kingsville Agricultural Mechanics Project Show will be held on April 22, 2025, on the university campus! Below is the link to the contest's online registration. TAMU encourages all 4-H members to sign up!

**Register:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KT7DZN6>

**Link for TAMUK Ag Project  
Show rules:**

<https://www.judgingcard.com/Registration/getFile.aspx?ID=15245>

## NAMI Bridges to Care Youth Wellness Program

NAMI'S Bridges To Care San Antonio (BTCSA) Teen Mental Health Champion Program is designed for 12-18 year old students who will learn how to have healthy conversations relating to mental wellness. The topics aim to give teen's the tools they need to navigate healthy conversations that empower personal growth and resilience. The program is made up of eight total sessions spread out over two months. Students will receive a "Mental Health Workbook" to track their progress.

Students are certified as Teen Mental Health Champions when they receive five stamps for completing the five core sessions of the program. [SEE FLYER FOR DETAILS.](#)

## Free Training Available: AI Literacy with Minecraft Education's AI Foundations Program

4-H has teamed up with Microsoft to help youth build AI skills through the blocky fun of Minecraft with [Minecraft Hour of Code: Generation AI](#). Youth can learn how to code, explore the magic of responsible AI, and discover how it can solve real-world problems, all within their favorite game. Join us for a training course to learn more about how you can implement AI literacy into your 4-H programming. This program is offered to 4-H at no charge, thanks to a generous partnership with Microsoft.

**Date: Wednesday, March 19 — 11:00 AM CT**

**REGISTER NOW**