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MARCH 2024

ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H

The latest news and updates from Atascosa County 4-H



Important Events in this issue:

- Atascosa County 4-H Roundup & Fashion Show- March 1st**
- Atascosa County Livestock Show Thank You letters- Due March 11th by 5:00 p.m.**
- Steer & Heifer Validation Tag Orders- Due March 11th**
- State Fair Lamb & Goat Tag Orders- Due April 1st**
- Virtual 4-H Recordbooks Workshop- April 30th *RSVP by April 26th***
- Atascosa County 4-H Council Elections- May 2nd *Submit nominations by April 25th***
- Fort Worth, San Angelo, & San Antonio Livestock Show results**
- Scholarship Opportunities**
- Major Livestock Show resources**

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Atascosa County**

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ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H CLUB INFORMATION



MESQUITE 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:00 PM

PLEASANTON 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH
SUE ANN SMITH & JOHANNA HAGEN

JSPJSMITH@ATT.NET

JOHANNAHAGEN1973@GMAIL.COM

BLACKHILL 4-H CLUB

2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

BLACKHILL COMMUNITY CENTER
KIM LUTZ

KIMLUTZ97@GMAIL.COM

LEMING/VERDI 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

VERDI COMMUNITY CENTER
CARL ROYAL

CARL.ROYAL@YAHOO.COM

LA PARITA 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

COWBOY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
JOURDANTON, TX

JASON & VALERIE AGUILAR
JASON.SGC@GMAIL.COM

POTEET 4-H CLUB

3RD MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

POTEET HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
USVALDO & ANGELA LANDA

LYTLE 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

LYTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA
JENNIFER CRISWELL

JENNIFER.CRISWELL.JC@GMAIL.COM

CHARLOTTE 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

CHARLOTTE FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL
PATRICIA SCOTT

4-H Enrollment for the 2023- 2024 Year

Enrollment for the 2023 - 2024 year is open on 4-H Online. The website is: <https://v2.4honline.com>. If you are in need of guidance on how to get registered on 4-H Online please visit the family guides at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/4honline>.

NO PASS NO PLAY

IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY 4-H SPONSORED EVENT INCLUDING STOCK SHOWS, SHOOTING SPORTS, OR OTHER CONTESTS, MEMBERS MUST BE ENROLLED WITH ONE OF OUR AREA CLUBS AND MEET THE 50% ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT PRIOR TO THE CONTEST. PARTICIPATION IN ANY COMPETITION OR SHOOTING EVENT IS ONLY PERMITTED WHILE MEETING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA UNDER TEXAS EDUCATION CODE 33.081 "NO PASS NO PLAY".

ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS COACHES

RIFLE

JASON AGUILAR: JASON.SGC@GMAIL.COM

210-260-6046

JIMMY MEYER: JIMMYGUNSHOP@HOTMAIL.COM

ARCHERY

PAUL MACMANUS

MACMANUSPAULD@GMAIL.COM

Livestock Shows

Livestock Weights and Project Help
The Extension Office has sheers and scales available for check out. Dale is also available to come out and help with livestock projects at home. For more information, please reach out to Dale Rankin.

Stock Show Season is in full swing!!

Please review major stock show requirements.

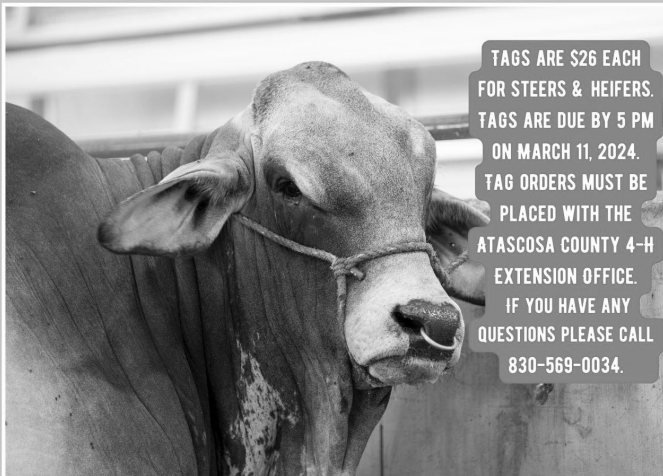
Houston:

<https://www.rodeohouston.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2024-Exhibitor-Handbook.pdf>

Austin:

<https://rodeoaustin.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/2024-Premium-Book-1.pdf>

Steer & Heifer Validation Tag Orders



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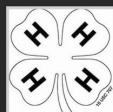


State Fair Lamb & Goat Tag Orders



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State Fair Swine Tag Orders



4-H Livestock Judging Practice

March 26, 2024.
5: 30p.m.

**Atascosa County
Extension Office
Auditorium**



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Market Lambs

For more information on sheep projects
please visit:

<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Sheep-and-Goat-Explore-Project-Guide-1.pdf>




Training & Showing Market Lambs

Showmanship is an effective presentation of your lamb.
You are judged on your ability to:
Control and present your lamb
Bring out its best characteristics

Show out the faults of your lamb so they are less obvious to the judge

You must work hard and practice in advance.
Have confidence in yourself that you will succeed!!

Spend time with your lamb—clean their pen, provide them with feed and clean water, practice showmanship skills

Practice showing your lamb with someone acting as the judge. Remember to keep the lamb's head held high, back straight, and feet positioned correctly.




TEXAS 4-H SHEEP PROJECT

LET'S GET STARTED!

What should you do everyday with your project?
Walk, Practice, Exercise!
The more you handle your project the easier it becomes to handle.

Average Cost of Sheep Project


Purchase Price: \$947.10	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">\$</div>
Feed Cost: \$346.66	
Supplies: \$201.56	
Vet Cost: \$97.52	
Fees: \$106.68	
Miscellaneous: \$108.03	Total Cost: \$1,807.58 (per 1 head)

Project Length


Market Lambs: Approximately 8 Months
Wether Dams: Up to 12 Months

Selection

Several factors such as age, weight, frame size, and breed type play a role in selecting a market lamb or breeding ewe. Ask your Country Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher which project may be best for you.



Facility Preparation




Electricity
Ventilation
Flooring
Scales
Water

Exercise Area/ Track
Drainage
Waste Disposal
Fencing
Feeders

Health Care

A preventive health program should include vaccinations and treatments for multiple infectious and non-infectious diseases and metabolic disorders that are commonly associated with nutritional deficiencies.




Suggestion

Have exercise equipment or a track area to tone muscle and build stamina!

Important Tip!
Know in advance which shows are terminal and plan accordingly. This may mean you will need more than one animal.

Dr. Billy Zanolini
Dr. Dottie Goebel

WANT TO LEARN MORE? VISIT:
[HTTPS://TEXASYOURLIVESTOCK.COM/SHEEP/](https://texasyouthlivestock.com/sheep/)



Visit:
<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Start-to-Finish-Market-Lambs.pdf> to learn more about raising sheep from start to finish.



Atascosa County

SCHOLARSHIPS

Atascosa County 4-H Merit Scholarship

The Atascosa County 4-H Merit Scholarship Letter of Intent to Apply is due by March 1, 2024 to the Atascosa County 4-H Extension Office. You must have completed a Record Book the two years prior to apply for this scholarship. The scholarship will be due on June 10, 2024.

Atascosa County Fair Association Scholarship

Atascosa County Fair Association Scholarship Application is due to be postmarked by April 1, 2024.
For full application please visit:
<https://atascosa.agrilife.org/scholarships/>

Atascosa Cattlemen's Association Scholarship

Atascosa Cattlemen's Association Scholarship is due to the Atascosa County 4-H Extension Office by April 1, 2024.
For full application please visit:
<https://atascosa.agrilife.org/scholarships/>

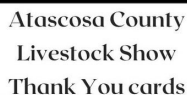
Atascosa County Livestock Show Scholarship

Atascosa County Livestock Show Scholarship is due in April 2024.
For full application please visit:
<http://aclsweb.org/acls-scholarships/>

Atascosa County Farm Bureau Scholarship

Atascosa County Farm Bureau Scholarship is due by May 1, 2024.
For full application please visit:
<https://atascosa.agrilife.org/scholarships/>

*You can find these and more scholarships at:
<https://atascosa.agrilife.org/scholarships/> as they become
available.*



Atascosa County Livestock Show Bylaws & Procedures

LETTER GUIDELINES:

Section 34. Thank You Letters: Thank you letters are required from all 4-H and FFA exhibitors of all buyers, add-on supporters and sponsors of awards for all divisions. Until letters are written and approved by their respective Ag Science Teacher or 4-H Extension Office, the exhibitors check will be withheld (2022).

LETTER GUIDELINES: Thank you letters will be reviewed by a committee and **MUST** meet the following basic guidelines:

- a. All thank you letters must be on stationary, letterhead or handwritten Thank You cards to be accepted. Lined stationary or computer generated letterhead with lines is acceptable.
- b. All letters must be original and handwritten by the exhibitor to each donor.
- c. Letters must not be scanned, typed, or computer generated.
- d. Exhibitors must provide their letter in unsealed stamped addressed envelopes. All envelopes must have the exhibitor's name that was used to enter the show and return addresses on them.
- e. Letter NOT complying with the guidelines will be returned to the exhibitor for revision.
- f. Pictures will be provided for the top 4 buyers and submitted with the thank you letters. [2021]

ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Atascosa 4-H County Council is a group of members from various clubs from around the county that are elected by their peers.

The County Council is the body that makes the decisions for the Atascosa County 4-H. Any 4-H Member in the county is eligible to run for County Council.

We will be holding Atascosa County 4-H County Council Officer Elections at our May Meeting. If you would like to have a voice in the decision of what Atascosa County 4-H does then submit an officer application by 5 PM on April 25, 2024.

**Please email nomination forms to
holly.kopplin@aq.tamu.edu.**

Applications can be found
at: <https://atascosa.agrilife.org/files/2013/04/4-H-Nomination-Form-Council.pdf>

If you have any questions, please contact the Atascosa County 4-H Extension Office at 830-569-0034.

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LEADERSHIP

COMMUNICATION

TEAM WORK

COMMUNITY SERVICE

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Virtual 4-H RECORDBOOK WORKSHOP

**APRIL 30TH
6:00P.M.**

This would be a great opportunity to learn about 4-H Recordbooks and how to enhance recordkeeping skills.

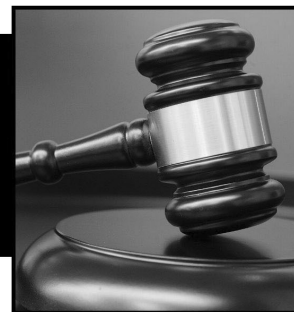
Please RSVP to holly.kopplin@ag.tamu.edu by 5:00 p.m.
on April 26, 2024.

Atascosa County 4-H Recordbooks will be due on
June 10, 2024 by 5:00 p.m.



Atascosa County 4-H Council Meeting

The Atascosa County 4-H Council will meet on Thursday, May 2, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Atascosa County Extension Office Auditorium.



We will have officer elections for the 2024-2025 4-H year.

If you are a current County Council officer, Club delegate, or you are running for an office, this is a meeting for you to attend. All County Council Meetings are open to all Atascosa County 4-H members to attend.



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4-H Members in Action



Congratulations to all of the Atascosa County 4-H Members who placed at the Major Livestock Shows!!

San Angelo Livestock Show



**Sadie
Schimelpfening-
2nd place ABC
Steer**

San Antonio Livestock Show

Market Barrows

**Ty Brymer- 7th place crossbred
Clayton Adamitz- 10th place**

Market Steers

**Aaliyah Caldwell- Reserve Champion ABC
Sadie Schimelpfening- 1st place Light Weight Simbrah
Maddox Dillon - 2nd place Middle Weight Maine
Chloe Nieschwitz - 2nd place Middle Weight Charolais
Salem Jasik- 3rd place Heavyweight ABC
Coltyn Dean- 4th Place Light Weight Brahman
Ely Rankin- 4th place Light Weight Simbrah
McKenna Slomchinski- 4th place Lightweight Shorthorn
Kaydence Thomas- 4th place Light Weight Red Angus
Scottlyn Haufler- 5th place Middle Weight Simmental
Genieve Turner- 5th place Heavy Weight Red Angus
William Hofferichter- 6th place Middle Weight Shorthorn**

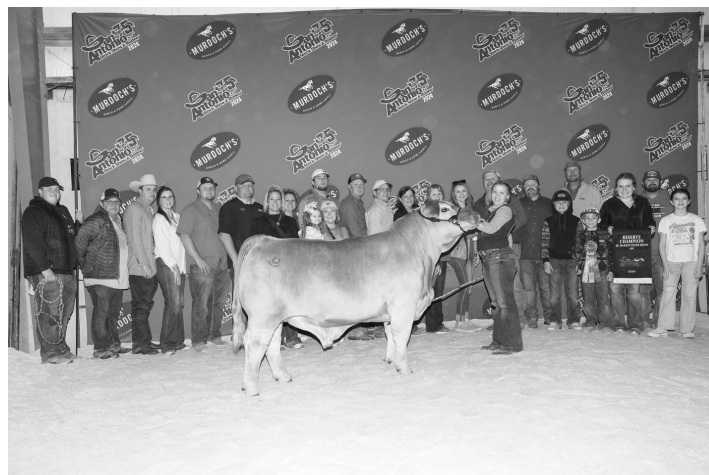


4-H Members in Action



Congratulations to all of the Atascosa County 4-H Members who placed at the Major Livestock Shows!!

San Antonio Livestock Show





4-H Members in Action



Congratulations to all of the Atascosa County 4-H Members who participated in the District 12 4-H Horse Judging Contest in conjunction with the San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo Horse Judging Contest!!



District 12 4-H 3rd place Senior Team- Abigail Henry, Montana Aguilar, Hailey Hannah, & Xitlalli Hernandez



District 12 4-H 1st place Intermediate Team- Ryleigh Cartwright, Jovanni Estrada, Kenedy Nixon, & Alayna Estrada



District 12 4-H 1st Place Intermediate Individual- Jovanni Estrada



San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo- 7th place Junior Individual- Jovanni Estrada





4-H Members in Action



Congratulations to all of the Atascosa County 4-H Members who participated in the San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo Consumer Decision Making Contest!!



1st Place Junior Team- Ryan Tom, Ryden Rathmell, Coy Kutac, Colby McDougal



4th Place Junior Team- Pierce Leach, Salem Jasik, Eliana Dobbins, Parker Shearrer



Colby McDougal 2nd Place Junior Individual



Upcoming District 12 4-H Contests

The District 12 4-H Photography Contest is an online contest that will be held on April 1, 2024.

You must compete in the Atascosa County 4-H Photography Contest to be eligible to compete in the District 12 4-H Contest. Registration will be open on 4-H Online from February 27, 2024-March 21, 2024.

The District 12 4-H Fashion Sensation Contest will be held in Falfurrias, Texas on Saturday, April 6, 2024. You must compete in the Atascosa County 4-H Fashion Show to be eligible to compete at the District Contest. Registration will be open on 4-H Online from February 27, 2024- March 21, 2024.

The District 12 4-H Roundup Educational Presentations will be held in Falfurrias, Texas on Saturday, April 6, 2024.

Registration will be open on 4-H Online from February 27, 2024- March 21, 2024.

The District 12 4-H Livestock Judging Contest will be held Thursday, April 11, 2024 in Alice, Texas.

Registration will be open on 4-H Online from March 12, 2024 – April 2, 2024.

The District 12 4-H Meat Judging Contest will be held as a Multi-District Judging Contest hosted by District 9 in College Station, Texas on April 20, 2024.

Registration will be open on 4-H Online from March 20, 2024- April 3, 2024.

The District 12 4-H Shooting Sports 3P & Silhouette Rifle Match will be held Saturday, April 27, 2024 in Benavides, Texas. Registration will be open on 4-H Online from March 19, 2024 – April 12, 2024.

For more information on these District 12 4-H Contests or other District 12 4-H Contests

please visit their website at: <https://agrilife.org/d124h/> or contact the Atascosa County 4-H Extension Office at 830-569-0034.



TEXAS 4-H CONGRESS 2024 Information

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

Age Eligibility

Official grades for Texas 4-H Congress are members going into 9th grade – through those who just graduated 12th Grade (at the time of the event). This is a prestigious event reserved for older 4-H members. Because of the number of 4-H members allowed to attend, counties should make it a priority to select older 4-H members for the House and Senate that have never attended the event.

Location

Headquarters for Texas 4-H Congress will be at the Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol, 707 East 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701.

Dates to Remember for Texas 4-H Congress Participation

February 5, 2024	Bill submission opens
February 15, 2024	Lobbyist application opens on 4HOnline
February 15, 2024	Press Corps application opens on 4HOnline
March 14, 2024	Lobbyist application closes
March 14, 2024	Press Corps application closes
March 29, 2024	Lobbyist and Press Corps notification
April 1, 2024	Early Bird Registration opens on 4HOnline
April 30, 2024	Early Bird Registration closes on 4HOnline
May 1, 2024	Registration continues on 4HOnline at an increased fee
May 30, 2024	Bill submission closes
May 30, 2024	Registration closes on 4HOnline
July 1, 2024	Delegate Letters distributed
July 1, 2024	Bill Book posted online
July 12, 2024	Texas 4-H Congress Leadership Team arrives
July 14, 2024	Congress Delegates and Chaperones arrive
July 17, 2024	All Participants depart

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TEXAS 4-H CALF ROPING & BREAKAWAY SCHOOL



JUNE 16-20, 2024
STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS



REGISTRATION
IS NOW OPEN
AND WILL CLOSE
ON MAY 3, 2024
AT 5 P.M.

CAMP IS OPEN TO
REGISTERED 4-H
MEMBERS

\$600 PER PARTICIPANT
FOR THE WEEK
(INCLUDES GROUP
INSURANCE, MEALS,
LODGING, COST OF THE
PRACTICE CALVES IN
THE TEACHING
PROCESS, AND STALL
RENT FOR ONE HORSE)

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE EMAIL
HOLLY.KOPPLIN@AG.TAMU.EDU

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Texas 4-H Horse Validation



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The Texas 4-H Horse Validation open on
4-H Online March 1, 2024.

The validation process will close on May
1, 2024.

The cost is March 1 – April 15 = \$10 per
horse

The cost from April 16 – May 1 = \$20 per
horse

Please visit

<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/> for more information.

Texas 4-H Horse Validation Guidelines
can be viewed at

<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2024-Texas-4-H-Horse-Validation-Guidelines-for-Families.pdf>

The Horse validation instructional video
can be viewed at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPoOmyC1kTk>

The Horse Lease Agreement can be
viewed at

<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-Texas-4-H-Horse-Lease-Agreement.pdf>

You must validate your horse to be
eligible to participate in the District
and/or State 4-H Horse Show.

Please contact

holly.kopplin@ag.tamu.edu or call the
Atascosa County 4-H Extension Office at
830-569-0034 if you have any questions.

GLEN ROSE SHOOTING SPORTS

3D ARCHERY FUNDRAISER

ENTRY FEE
\$20



MARCH 2, 2024
REGISTRATION AT 8AM
EVENT STARTS AT 10AM



~MULLIGAN AVAILABLE \$10
~SHOTGUN START
~KNOWN YARDAGES

1784 CR 1011
GLEN ROSE, TX 76043

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO
GLEN ROSE 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

20 TARGET 3D TOURNAMENT

DIVISIONS:

YOUTH
~JUNIOR
~INTERMEDIATE
~SENIOR
ADULT

CLASSES:

~TRADITIONAL
~COMPOUND
~OPEN

For More Information Contact:
Christy Wilson (281) 785-8979 or
Amber Conner (254) 396-0157
All shooters must sign a waiver
at check-in

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BENEFITTING GLEN ROSE 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

Educational programs of the Texas A&M Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating



2024
Spring



Virtual TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN

2024 FISHING SKILL-A-THON

Program Highlights:

- Register **individually** as 4-H youth (grades 3-12) or Clover Kid (grades K-2) via 4HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com/> beginning February 1st
- Clover Kids - FREE to participate and will receive a participation certificate
- Prizes to be listed March 2024
- Judging via FishDonkey App (no fee to use app!) Rules posted February 1st at <https://d54-h.tamu.edu/>

Species Divisions:

- NEW!** Saltwater - Spotted Seatrout, Flounder & Redfish
- Freshwater - Bass, Catfish & Panfish group

More Ways to Win!

- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam - post 3 different fish species within species division
- Wild Card - random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

Fees:

- Regular Registration: February 1-March 7, \$50 flat fee per division per 4-H participant (saltwater and/or freshwater)
- Late Registration: March 8-31, \$100

Questions?

- Contact Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Ph.D., Extension Program Specialist at jlmcswine@tamu.edu

Spring Tournament

Fish at YOUR Location:
March 15 at 12:00 am thru
May 27 at 11:59 pm



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2024 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

JUNE	3-7	NORTH DAKOTA WATERFOWL BRIGADE 4-H CENTER	WASHBURN, ND
	9-13	SOUTH TEXAS BUCKSKIN BRIGADE CHAPARROSA RANCH	LA PRYOR, TX
	10-14	ROLLING PLAINS BOBWHITE BRIGADE THE 1687 FOUNDATION	RISING STAR, TX
	22-26	SOUTH TEXAS BOBWHITE BRIGADE BUCK HORN CREEK RANCH	MCCOY, TX
	22-26	SOUTH TEXAS RANCH BRIGADE DUVAL COUNTY RANCH	FREER, TX
JULY	9-13	BASS BRIGADE WARREN RANCH	SANTA ANNA, TX
	15-19	RANCH BRIGADE WARREN RANCH	SANTA ANNA, TX
	17-21	WATERFOWL BRIGADE PINTAIL HUNTING CLUB	GARWOOD, TX
	21-25	NORTH TEXAS BUCKSKIN BRIGADE WARREN RANCH	SANTA ANNA, TX
	23-27	COASTAL BRIGADE PRIVATE PROPERTY IN GALVESTON	GALVESTON, TX

APPLY NOVEMBER 1 - MARCH 15 • TEXASBRIGADES.ORG/APPLICATIONS

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CLINIC

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Louis Pearce Pavilion
College Station, TX

\$14/Person Register at judgingcard.com February 1 - March 20

Onsite Registration: 3/23 starting at 7:30 am || Judging clinic begins at 8:30 am

Students and coaches will be split into groups and will judge for approximately five minutes. A TAMU judging team member will explain the placing of the class. Students and coaches will be allowed approximately five minutes to ask the judging team member questions. Coaches will be given approximately five minutes to discuss each class with their students and then will rotate to the next class. **Keep/Cull Data and Slaughter Cattle stations will be available.**

It will be a short, four hour, fast-paced clinic. No literature/awards will be passed out.



For questions, please contact Caleb Boardman at 307-250-2298 or caleb.boardman@ag.tamu.edu

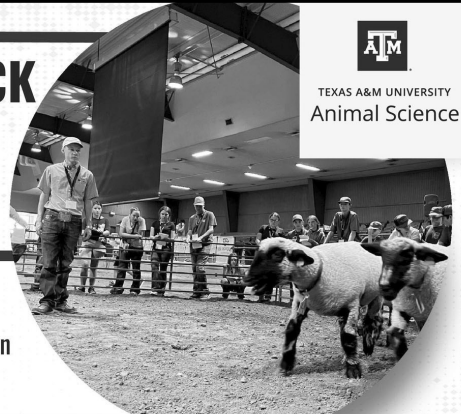


This is not a competition • The clinic is for students and coaches • Focuses on market animal evaluation • Typical 4H-FFA livestock judging contest set up

Scan to learn more or visit tx.ag/LivestockJudgingClinic2024



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Animal Science



2024 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SCIENCE
FFA/4-H MEAT JUDGING CLINIC
ROSENTHAL MEAT SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER
March 23, 2024

8:00-12:45 All classes including grading and retail ID will be available for viewing in various locations throughout the RMSTC. The classes and retail ID are designed for on-your-own evaluation by students and coaches. I.e., there will not be groups assigned or students led through the classes as in a typical contest. One key per club/chapter will be available beginning at approximately 10:45 AM. Everyone entering the facility must wear a hard hat, hair net (beard net if any facial hair), clean frock, long pants and close-toed shoes. Under no circumstances should exhibits be moved or handled without prior permission from clinic officials.

Meat Evaluation Clinic*

- 8:00 Welcome and Instructions – Dr. Davey Griffin, Extension Meat Specialist and Jennifer Wyle, TAMU Meat Judging Team Coordinator
- 8:30 Introduction to Meat Judging, Pork Carcass and Wholesale Cut (Fresh Hams and Pork Loins) Evaluation and Questions/Reasons
- 9:00 Grading and evaluating Beef Carcasses and Questions/Reasons
- 9:40 Evaluation of Beef Wholesale Cuts and Questions/Reasons
- 10:15 Lamb Carcass Evaluation and Questions/Reasons
- 10:45 Retail Cut Evaluation and Questions
- 11:00 Adjourn to exhibits and retail ID.



* All mini-clinics will be in Room 100 of the Rosenthal Meat Science and Technology Center. Workshops are hosted by the 2024 TAMU Meat Judging Team Members and Meat Science faculty and staff. The clinics include logic in evaluation of classes and give instructions an insight into taking notes for questions and reasons.

** Special thanks goes to Mr. Ray Riley and the staff at the Rosenthal Meat Science and Technology Center for cutting much of the product and all the behind-the-scenes activities that go on to allow these events to take place.

**All Product/Classes Will Be Moved Back Into the Coolers
Beginning At 12:45 PM. The RMSTC Will Be Closing At 1:00 PM.
Please Plan Your Workout to Conclude By These Times.**



Texas 4-H Youth Leadership Teams

There are 9 unique teams in which senior level youth can participate in as Ambassadors or Texas 4-H Council. Those groups include:

- **Texas 4-H Council**

Members of this team are elected by their peers from across the state of Texas, representing the twelve AgriLife Extension districts plus an additional six At-Large Delegates. 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.

- **Equine Ambassadors**

This program provides high school aged 4-H members the opportunity to develop and practice advanced leadership skills related to mentoring other youth, and to become advocates for the equine industry in Texas.

- **Fashion & Interior Design Ambassadors**

This program strives to provide high school aged 4-H members the opportunity to develop and practice advanced leadership skills to mentor other youth, and to become knowledgeable representatives for the Fashion & Interior Design industry.

- **Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors**

This Program is for senior level 4-H youth that are motivated, excited, and ready to make a change in their community! These youth are trained at the regional level to become youth health experts who can motivate others to make a change in their lifestyle to improve their health, and assist county agents in programming.

- **Livestock Ambassadors**

This program strives to provide high school aged 4-H members the opportunity to develop and practice advanced leadership skills related to mentoring other youth, and to become advocates for animal agriculture.

- **Photography Ambassadors**

This program provides opportunities to grow in the photography project through community service, workshops, training sessions, field trips, and leadership/citizenship activities. Members must first complete the requirements to become a Junior Master Photographer.

- **Poultry Ambassadors**

This program strives to provide high school aged 4-H members the opportunity to develop and practice advanced leadership skills related to mentoring other youth, and to become advocates for the poultry industry.

- **Shooting Sports Ambassadors**

This group serves as spokespersons for the 4-H Shooting Sports program, helping to make 4-H Shooting Sports programs more visible. The Ambassadors further develop their skills in leadership, public presentation, citizenship, community service, public relations and team building.

- **STEM Ambassadors**

This program involves a youth-adult partnership structure to promote, educate, and inspire others in the area of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Members should have a strong interest in promoting STEM. The team meets throughout the year to develop and support programs in areas such as robotics, photography, and video production.

- **Water Ambassadors**

This program provides youth an opportunity to gain advanced knowledge and practice leadership skills related to the science, technology, engineering, and management of water in Texas.

For 4-H Ambassador Applications
please visit:

<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/>

Click on the Ambassador Program
tabs

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

HORSE JUDGING CLINIC

Mark your calendar

Saturday, March 23rd, 2024

Kleberg Animal and Food Sciences Center
474 Olsen Blvd, College Station, TX 77845
8:00am - 12:00pm

Classes covered:

- Rail
 - Western Pleasure
 - Hunter Under Saddle
- Reining

Register at:
<http://www.judgingcard.com>

OR pay cash at the door - \$14/person

For More Info:

Contact Sarah Schobert at sarah.schobert@ag.tamu.edu or Jennifer Zoller at jennifer.zoller@ag.tamu.edu

Texas Horse Help

The Next Generation

2024 PROGRAM DATES

PHASE I

TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK AMBASSADOR SHORT COURSES

Texas A&M University-Kingsville
June 17-20, 2024
Texas A&M University
July 15-18, 2024
West Texas A&M University/Texas Tech University
July 22-25, 2024

TEXAS 4-H EQUINE AMBASSADOR SHORT COURSE

Texas Tech University
June 10-13, 2024

TEXAS 4-H POULTRY AMBASSADOR SHORT COURSE

Texas A&M University
June 24-27, 2024

PHASE II

TEXAS 4-H ADVOCACY ACADEMY

Texas Capitol - Austin, TX
July 1-3, 2024

APPLICATIONS OPEN FEBRUARY 15TH / CLOSE APRIL 15TH

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT
www.texasyouthlivestock.com

MAY 11, 2024 | BUC DAYS FESTIVAL GROUNDS | CORPUS CHRISTI, TX

BUC DAYS FOOD Challenge

Age Divisions: Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Registration Open to 4-H, FFA and FCCLA

\$75 per team

Limited to 25 teams per age division



More Info at BucDays.com

Event Contact: [Elyse Suckley](mailto:Elyse.Suckley@tamu.edu)
Competitions & Marketing Coordinator
Elyse@BucDays.com

\$7,500
IN PRIZE MONEY
AWARDED AT EVENT

**2024 States' 4-H
International Exchange
Summer Hosting**
*HOST a Japanese youth in
Summer 2024 & bring the
richness of the world to your
home!*

Hosting Period: July 24 - August 17
Scan the QR code for host family
guidelines and application
information:
<http://tinyurl.com/4zxuecze>

2024 SUMMER POULTRY CAMPS

Poultry Judging Camp

Age 9-13: June 11-12, 2024

hotel recommendations available

Ages 14-18: June 12-14, 2024

lodging included

Coaches & Ag Teacher Poultry Judging Camp

June 17-18, 2024

hotel recommendations available

For more information please visit

<https://poultry.tamu.edu/extension/>



TEXAS 4-H LANDSCAPE DESIGN

JUNE 3, 2024

College Station, TX

Hosted by the Texas A&M University
Horticulture Department

OBJECTIVE

- ✓ Enhance 4-H members landscape design knowledge
- ✓ Promote professionalism to 4-H students by simulating a real-life interaction between customer and landscape professionals
- ✓ Expose 4-H members to career opportunities in horticulture related fields
- ✓ Highlight a degree in a horticultural related field



This is not an official Texas 4-H Roundup contest. Youth that compete in this event will be provided the opportunity to also register for Texas 4-H Roundup held that same week.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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jayla.fry@ag.tamu.edu
979-845-3308

CONTEST INFORMATION

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/horticulture>

2024 SUMMER CAMP DATES

Horizons Camp- June 30-July 4

Early Bird Price \$375 After April 15, 2024 \$425

Prime Time I- July 7-July 10

Early Bird Price \$300 After April 15, 2024 \$350

Aperture Camp- July 7-July 10

Early Bird Price \$300 After April 15, 2024 \$350

County Camp I- July 14-July 18

Early Bird Price \$375 After April 15, 2024 \$425

Prime Time II- July 21-July 24

Early Bird Price \$300 After April 15, 2024 \$350

County Camp II- August 4-August 8

Early Bird Price \$375 After April 15, 2024 \$425



HOWARD COLLEGE AG DEPT PRESENTS-

HOWARD COLLEGE LAMB CAMP 2024

JUNE 21-23

THE G.C. BROUGHTON AGRICULTURE COMPLEX
BIG SPRING, TX



HC

HOWARD COLLEGE

REGISTER ONLINE

howardcollege.edu/camps

FOR MORE INFO CALL

Kelby Vise:
(432-264-5110)

HOWARD COLLEGE AG DEPT PRESENTS-

HOWARD COLLEGE GOAT CAMP 2024

JUNE 27-29

THE G.C. BROUGHTON AGRICULTURE COMPLEX
BIG SPRING, TX



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SUPER D12 4-H LEADERSHIP LAB

The District 12 4-H Leadership Lab is an overnight camping experience for youth in the 7th- 12th grades.

The purpose of this event is to provide our 4-H members with the opportunity to learn valuable leadership and life skills. These skills are learned and enhanced through various hands-on educational activities and team-building exercises.

Registration: May 1st - 23rd

Camp Dates: June 11th - 13th

Location: Texas A&M University- Kingsville

Cost: \$180 per attendee



Texas A&M AgriLife is committed to providing safe and non-discriminatory learning, and work environments for all members of the AgriLife community. AgriLife provides equal opportunity in all programs, activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other classification protected by federal, state, or local law.

GILLESPIE COUNTY

DOUBLE RING SHEEP & GOAT JACKPOT

In loving memory of Greg Schumann

SATURDAY
September 14
2024

FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS
GILLESPIE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

TURKEY FARM SHOWDOWN

Schedule

SEPT. 13
BARN OPEN FRIDAY
FOR EARLY ARRIVALS

SEPT. 14
7-9 AM Check-In
(NO WEIGHBACKS)

8-9:30 AM Clinic
\$20 TO ATTEND
INSTRUCTORS: SIERRA NAUMAN,
ASPEN MARTIN + DAKOTA MARTIN

10 AM Showmanship
SHOW TO FOLLOW
PEE WEE, INTERMEDIATE,
JUNIOR, SENIOR - BOTH RINGS

SHOW INFO

SHEEP BREEDS
FW, FWX, SD, DORPER, MW
BREED CLASSIFICATION AT THE SCALE

WETHERS + DOES/WETHERS + EWES
SHOW TOGETHER

SULLIVAN SUPPLY, CONCESSIONS,
SNO-CONES, T-SHIRTS + VENDORS

Ring A - prize ring -

CLASS WINNER
ROD + REEL

Ring B - money ring -

GRAND CHAMPION
\$1,000

RES. GRAND CHAMPION
\$500

GRAND CHAMPION
GUIDED DEER HUNT

ENTRIES DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF PLACINGS

FACEBOOK.COM/TURKEYFARMSHOWDOWN

ENTRIES

\$30 PER HEAD/PER RING
CASH, CHECK, VENMO
MUST SHOW IN RING A TO SHOW IN RING B

JUDGES

JOSH CODY Texas
REAGAN THURMAN Texas

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