

February 2023



WILSON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

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2023 Theme

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Featured Pictures

Winter Wonderland Fun

Games



Gingerbread House Decorating

County Updates

2022-2023 Eligibility Guidelines

We advise all Wilson County 4-H members to inquire with their school on 4-H events and activities eligibility requirements.

No Pass, No Play

As always, 4-H events will follow the No Pass No Play guidelines. Keep your grades up!

TEA-UIL Side by Side Rules

Texas 4-H follows the UIL Side by Side guidelines. You can review this document [here](#).

Open Shows

Open shows do not require 4-H membership, therefore, the Extension Office is not able to request eligibility and/or an excused absence for these events. A letter may be sent on behalf of the member demonstrating that these events support the 4-H members project work, however, the decision will remain up to the school (as with all requests).

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your school first, as the school has final say on eligibility. Once you have contacted the school, please contact the Extension Office.

County Updates

Wilson County 4-H Remind

Text: @adrabek
To: 81010

[Sign up through this link.](#)

The Remind will be used to send out reminders, updates, and any other information! For more information or assistance, call Wilson County Extension office.

Adult Booster Meeting CHANGED DATE

When: February 1, 2023 @ 6:30 pm
Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

Major Livestock Shows

Good luck to all major stockshow exhibitors and contestants!

The Extension office welcomes pictures with names and placings/contest information.

Senior Cookie/Snacks

February: Wilson 4-H Rifle

Cookies may be donated directly to the Wilson County Expo Center between 11-2 p.m. or you can bring them by the Extension Office. Place two cookies per baggies.

Water is welcome if your club would rather donate water and or snacks (Chex mix, crackers or pretzels, fruit snacks etc.) can be large bags or individual snack package.

County Council Meeting

When: March 1, 2023 @ 6:30 pm
Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

Education: More Information to come!

Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship

Submission deadline: February 15th, 2023

If selected,
Mandatory Interviews: April 28-30, 2023
(College Station)

Award Notifications: May 2023

Scholarship Banquets: June 6-8, 2023
(College Station)

County Updates

La Vernia Arts and Crafts Entries La Vernia Baked Food Show Entries

When: due February 3, 2023

Rules are posted! [CLICK HERE](#)

La Vernia Rabbit Showmanship

When: February 12, 2023 @ 1 pm

Where: La Vernia Chamber of Commerce
12301 US 87, La Vernia

The showmanship handling and test will take place then. Must bring one rabbit for handling test. Test will only be given once.

Jerome B. Flieller, Jr. Scholarship Scholarships & Awards - Wilson (agrilife.org)

Deadline: April 1, 2023

SALE School Tours

If you signed up to be a San Antonio Livestock Show School Tour Guide through 4-H, be on the look out for an email from the Extension Office about details and confirmation of the day selected.

Volunteers Needed!

The Texas Veterans Land Board needs assistance with a garden project for the veteran home in Floresville. If your 4-H club or project group would like to volunteer, contact Allison or the Extension office.

Volunteers Needed!

When: March 25, 2023

Where: Floresville Event Center

The Home and Garden Show is looking for senior level 4-H members to help direct, and greet guests for the event. Please contact the office or Allison if you are interested in volunteering.

County Updates

WILSON COUNTY 4-H

MONTHLY PHOTO DISPLAY

AT THE WILSON COUNTY LIBRARIES

Each Wilson County 4-H member can display one photo each month.

Mats will be provided for 8x10 photo prints to be displayed.

Photos should be relevant to each month's theme.

Please include name, 4-H Club, email, phone number, and age group (Jr, Int, Sr) on the back of the photo.

Photos will be due at the monthly meetings.

Please follow 4-H photo guidelines. Inappropriate photos will not be displayed.

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September
Animals

October
Shadows

November
People

December
Food

January
Long Exposure

February
Elements of
Design

March
Motion

April
Details/Macro

May
Landscapes

June
Plants

July
Enhanced

August
Catch All

District Updates

Coming Up!

Spring Roundup Registration

Register for spring contests in 4HOnline by March 21st!

District 10 4-H S.A.L.E. Contests

****All 4-H members must submit Stock Show entry forms/fees to their County Office to compete in any District 10 4-H contest that is being held conjunction with the San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo.**

DISTRICT REGISTRATION OPENS: January 2, 2023

DISTRICT REGISTRATION DEADLINE Jan. 17, 2023

DISTRICT LATE REGISTRATION: Jan. 18-20, 2023

Feb. 13, 2023	• Horse Judging
Feb. 18, 2023	• Consumer Decision Making

District 10 4-H VIRTUAL Photography Contest

REGISTRATION OPENS: Wed., Feb. 1, 2023

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Mon. Feb. 20, 2023

LATE REGISTRATION: Tue–Wed. Feb 21-22, 2023

Feb. 20, 2023	4HOnline Registration CLOSES
Mar. 31, 2023	Photography Results Released

Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Program

APPLICATIONS OPEN: Tue., Nov. 1, 2022

FINAL DEADLINE: Feb. 15, 2023 @11:59 PM

SPRING & SUMMER DATES

District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX

REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, March 3, 2023

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 21, 2023

LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri, Mar. 22-24, 2023

Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES

April 12, 2023	• Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX)
April 18, 2023	• Leaders 4 Life
April 19, 2023	• Livestock Judging
April 20, 2023	• Range/Pasture ID & Range Evaluation • Share the Fun • Wool & Mohair Judging
April 21, 2023	• Soil Judging • Duds 2 Dazzle • Fashion Show & Natural Fibers
April 22, 2023	• Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)
April 28, 2023 Virtual	• Virtual Fashion Storyboard Results Released

District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX

REGISTRATION OPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues. May 16, 2023

LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 17-19, 2023

EVENT DATE: June 14-15, 2023

District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX

REGISTRATION OPENS: Monday, May 1, 2023

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 28, 2023

LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 29-31, 2023

EVENT DATE: June 21-23, 2023

District 10 Record Book Judging – Location TBA

REGISTRATION OPENS: Thurs., June 1, 2023

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 27, 2023

LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri. June 28-30, 2023

EVENT DATE: July 13, 2023

Don't Forget!

District Updates

NEW

District 10 4-H Photography Contest

Submission Deadline: Feb. 20th 2023 (@11:59PM)



Information: The District 10 4-H Photography Contest encourages self-expression and allows youth to demonstrate skills learned in photography, including the use of photographic equipment and process of photographs. **NOTE: The District 10 4-H competition does not qualify Senior 4-H members for the Texas 4-H State Photography contest. State qualifications will come for your local County Photography contest. Please contact your County Extension Agent for local County Photography contest rules and submission deadlines.*

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, 2022.

- Junior: 3rd (and 8 yrs. old) - 5th
- Intermediate: Grades 6th - 8th
- Senior: Grades 9th - 12th (not passed 18 yrs. old)

HOW TO REGISTER:

Registration on 4HOnline

Please reference the Event Registration instructions here: [DOWNLOAD](#)

Regular Registration Period: \$15 per contestant entered – Feb. 1 - **Feb. 20, 2023 (DEADLINE)**

Late Registration: \$40 per contestant entered – Feb. 21 - 22, 2023 **FINAL LATE DEADLINE**

IMPORTANT! INCOMPLETE ENTRIES will be deleted after the late deadline. No late submissions will be accepted. No refunds will be given for any District Contest Registrations once they are approved.

CONTEST RULES

- Each 4-H Member may enter up to (3) photographs **MAXIMUM**.
- There are 15 different categories available for submission. Please click the State Photography Rules [HERE](#) for category descriptions.
- A 4-H member cannot enter all (3) photos in the same category. The (3) photos must be entered in three different categories.
- If a 4-Her submits more than 3 photos, the registration will be returned and must be corrected by Friday - February 24, 2023 in order to be eligible for judging.
- Photos must be taken by the 4-H member between March 1st, 2022 – February 20th, 2023.

CONTEST GUIDE & SUBMISSION DETAILS

The **2023 District 10 Photography Contest Guide** has been released! Click below!



Virtual District Record Book Training

When: February 8, 2023

Where: Microsoft TEAMS

[Join Meeting Here](#)

Meeting ID: 226 710 744 994

Passcode: FRLknr

State Updates



2023 4-H DAY At the Capitol



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Event Details:

Thursday, March 29, 2023 - Texas Capitol - Austin, TX

Estimated Start Time: 8:30am - Estimated End Time: 4:00pm

Event limited to first 250 youth/50 adults
(registration is non-refundable)

Registration Information:

4Honline Registration will open on at 12:00pm (noon) on February 1, 2023 and will close on February 8, 2023 (or until registration is full)

Cost per participant: \$40.00 (includes lunch and a t-shirt)

The Texas 4-H Youth Development Program will once again host 4-H Day at the Capitol on Wednesday, March 29, 2023. This event is designed as a citizenship experience for 4-H members of all ages to learn more about the state legislative process, as well as meet their state representative and senator through an office visit.

Since this event is held during the legislative session and other organizations/groups are at the Capitol on the same day, the number of participants (youth and adults) must be limited.

Other facts about the day that you should consider before registering:

- This event does occur during the legislative session, therefore, the event schedule may change from what is published and even distributed the day of the event. Changes to the overall schedule as well as House and Senate member visits will be occurring throughout the day and the 4-H Program will do our best to maintain the most up-to-date schedule changes through email and text messaging.
- We request patience of all our 4-H members, parents, and County Extension Agents during the event due to the fast pace of the event. This includes not just schedule changes, but cancellation of office visits or locations of visits.
- For those parents who do not get registered for the event, but their 4-H member did, they are welcome to attend and join in on the gallery and office visits, but due to space, the welcome assembly in the auditorium and the lunch will be limited to only registered individuals. The Capitol does have a cafeteria located close to the room where the event lunch will be served.
- 4-H members attending the event maybe separated from their parents for periods of time when they are in the welcoming assembly or on office visits, please be assured it is the priority of the 4-H Program that each youth member is safe and comfortable in their participation of the event at all times.
- Each registered participant will receive a t-shirt, therefore the dress is casual-nice (blue jeans or khaki pants/skirt, casual closed toed shoes). The t-shirt will be distributed at check-in and youth will have time to change prior to the event starting.
- A detailed information packet will be sent to each registered participant approximately a week before the event with an updated schedule, parking information and other logistical information.

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State Updates

Texas 4-H Dog Show T-Shirt Contest

Deadline: February 15, 2023

[Click here for more details!](#)

Judging based on age divisions-
Clover Kids, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior
divisions

Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) opportunities

School for Successful Ranching and Expo

Students will receive free admission to the 2023 School for Successful Ranching and Expo by using the code STUDENT when registering [HERE](#). Students must present a student ID at the registration desk on site. If a student doesn't have an id issued by their school, a letter on school letterhead will be sufficient. Also, those who are Home Schooled, they can bring a letter from the County Extension Office verifying their Home School and 4-H status.

Photo Contest

TSCRA will also host a youth photo contest for youth ages 5-18. Contestants can mail their photographs and entry forms to the TSCRA office by March 1. All qualifying entries will be judged at the 2023 Cattle Raisers Convention & Expo.

For more information about the showcase and photo contest, visit [HERE](#)

Cow Camp

Younger students, ages 5-10, have the opportunity to attend Cow Camp hosted by the Cattle Raisers Museum, Saturday, March 25. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the museum, located at 1600 Gendy Street on the second floor of the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History.

During Cow Camp, young cattle raisers will get to explore the Cattle Raisers Museum, the National Cowgirl Museum, and the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History as well as participate in fun, hands-on activities throughout the day. Price per child is \$35 if registered before February 15, and \$45 if registered before March 15th. Registration includes lunch, snacks and camp supplies. Space is limited so early registration is recommended. Camp registrations can be completed when registering for convention [HERE](#)

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Who: This event is open to actively enrolled junior, intermediate, senior 4-H members, and adults.

What: Participants will engage in hands-on STEM activities, have a presentation from an astronaut, visit rocket city on a guided tram tour, and visit the many space exhibits within the space center. This is an overnight camping experience in or outside (your choice) of the space center.

When: March 4-5, 2023; Registration will be open on 4HOnline January 1-31, 2023.

Where: Johnson Space Center, Houston

How Much: Cost will be \$90/person (youth and adult).

All youth **must** be accompanied by an approved 4-H adult. All adults attending must have an active enrollment before registering for this event.

Slingshot Challenge

The National Geographic Society has launched a new, global video challenge called the “Slingshot Challenge,” creating a platform where you can voice your ideas about the future of conservation work. If you are between the ages of 13 to 18 years old and are passionate about saving our planet or an educator looking for ways to engage students around impactful environmental storytelling, this challenge is designed for you.

Participants are asked to create a one-minute video outlining an innovative solution to an environmental issue that they’re passionate about. Topics include cleaning the air, restoring the ocean, protecting nature, reducing waste, and addressing climate change. [Challenge Materials Here](#)

Registration link: [Sign Up Here](#)

[Register here](#) for AgriLife Extension support with

- Content expertise (in-person or virtual, interviews for videos, etc.)
- Data and technology help
- Video critique and evaluation for submission
- Video promotion on social media channels for peoples’ choice award
- Eligible for small grants to help with supplies, pizza parties or field trips to sites

State Updates

Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors

Who can join?

Membership is open to all youth entering at least 9th grade regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, national origin or disability. Ambassadorship is a 12-month commitment, beginning June 2023 to May 2024.

When is training?

During the summer, ambassadors will attend a state-wide “Building Healthy Youth to Build a Healthy Texas” Summit. This Summit will lay the foundation for ambassadors to implement health, wellness, nutrition, and safety programs across the state.

Where will you serve?

Once training is complete, youth ambassadors will provide 40 hours of service to their community. Hours can be earned through peer-to-peer education, school programs, community programs, and service learning opportunities.

Applications

- Applications will be due **March 15** for the 2023-24 year.
- New AND Returning ambassadors must apply annually.
- Applicants must be in good standing with other statewide ambassador groups they may be or have been a part of. In other words, if an applicant failed to meet the requirements of another state ambassador group, they will not be accepted into the HTYA program.
- Applications will be submitted online.

Summit Training

- In 2023, this Super Summit will be held June 4-5 prior to Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station.
- Tentative timeline for summit is Sunday, June 4 from 1 – 7 PM, and Monday, June 5 from 8:00 AM – 5PM.
- Estimated cost for the summit is \$50-75 person.
- Lodging and travel will be the responsibility of the ambassador.
- There will be no virtual or alternative options offered in 2023. Applicants should reserve the June 4-5 dates before applying!
- Registration will be separate from Roundup registration for this event.



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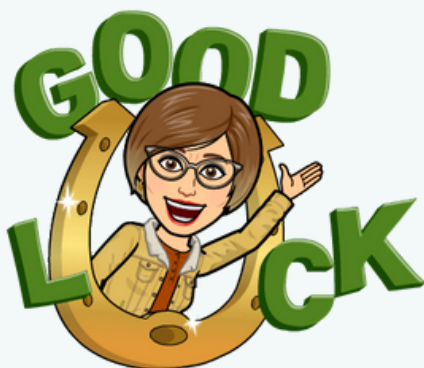
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