

March 2023



WILSON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

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2023 Theme

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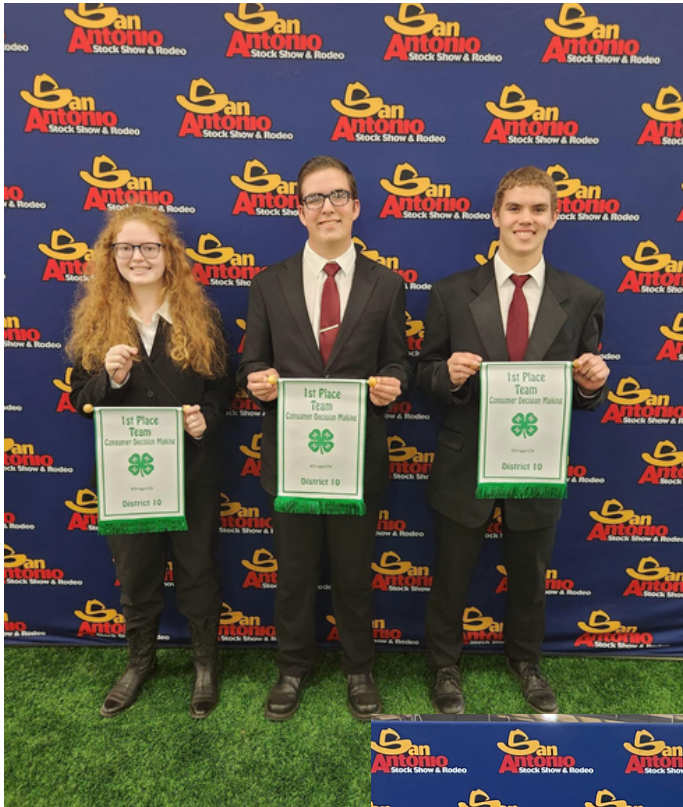


Website Link

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Featured Pictures

Consumer Decision Making Results District 10 and SALE



State Advancing Senior Team

4 Teams



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.

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. If interested, contact Allison or the Extension office.

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.

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

March: Floresville 4-H & Clover Kids

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

Last meeting before elections!

Adult Booster Meeting

When: March 22, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

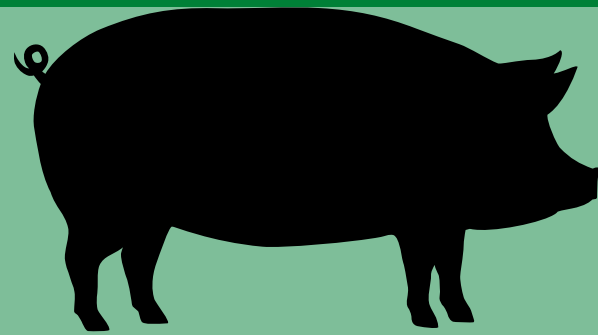
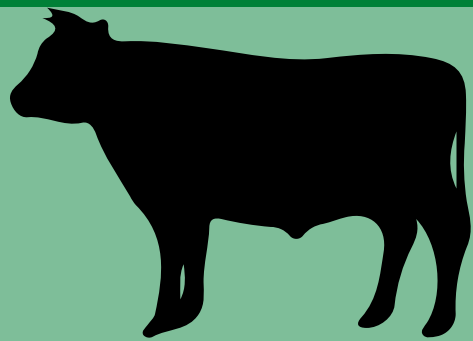
[Gala ticket money is due on March 22nd!](#)

If you have tickets you are unable to sell, please tell Beverly or the Extension office by March 15th.

Jerome B. Flieller, Jr. Scholarship Scholarships & Awards

[Website link with application HERE](#)

[Deadline: April 1, 2023](#)



VALIDATION TAGS

Steers and Heifers- \$27/tag- due **April 3rd**

New this year: Heifers will be validated similar to steers with a tag. Previously validated heifer DO NOT have to be revalidated.

State Fair Lambs/Goats- \$17/tag- due **April 3rd**

New this year: Lambs and goats validated during the 2023 State Fair validation period WILL be eligible for 2024 spring major shows as long as the animal stays in the care of the exhibitor.

State Fair Swine- \$27/tag- due **April 10th**

ORDER TAGS HERE



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.

CONTACT

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FB: @wilson4hphoto

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 4-HOnline by March 21st!

District Photography Awards

Results will be released on March 31st.

Adult Volunteers Needed for District Spring Roundup

Contact the office if you are interested in helping with livestock judging, share the fun, fashion show, or Duds to Dazzle.

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 <i>Virtual</i>	• 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

District Updates



**TEXAS A&M
AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION**

Oh Snap!
**DISTRICT 10 IS HAVING A
PHOTOGRAPHY
WORKSHOP**



**COME LEARN
FROM:**

Our District 10 Photography Ambassadors

- Keona Ellis - Kendall Co.
- Maggie Ogea - Bexar Co.
- Scout Goldsmith - Travis Co.

And from our Professional Photographer Speaker

**APRIL 29 | 9:00 - 2:00
AT THE GILESPIE
COUNTY OFFICE**

Lunch will be provided!

**Register through 4-H Online
- Limit 50 4-H Students**

**All cameras are
welcome!**

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

Guadalupe County GEAR Contest

Guadalupe County will host their annual 4-H GEAR Robotics contest this spring. The contest will be held on **April 22, 2023**. Location is tentatively set at the Guadalupe County Extension Office (210 East Live Oak, Seguin TX 78155).

Information for registration is located on the [FLYER LINK](#)

Registration deadline: April 10, 2023

District Updates

Mission

PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE CAREER AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN A DIVERSE GLOBAL ECONOMY AS WELL AS LEARN ABOUT POST-SECONDARY DEGREE INSTITUTIONS ACROSS TEXAS

JUNE
26-30th
2023

If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Shea Nebgen CEA-FCH at 830-997-3452 at the Gillespie County Extension Office by May 1, 2023



Contact us

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Gillespie County AgriLife Agent
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830-796-7755
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Kendall County AgriLife Agent
830-331-8242

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



REFLECTING EXCELLENCE

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity.

June 26, 2023

- DEPART FROM FREDERICKSBURG
- UNIVERSITY OF MARY HARDIN BAYLOR
- TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN WACO

June 27, 2023

- WESTERN HORSEMAN MAGAZINE
- AG WORKERS INSURANCE
- GREAT WOLF LODGE

Experience

Meet with industry and business professionals to expose youth to a variety of career paths in the areas of:

- Job Readiness
- Business and International Relations
- Architecture
- Aerospace
- Corporate Careers

ALL TOURS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

June 28, 2023

- SOUTHWEST AIRLINES
- M-GRAY ARCHITECTURE FIRM
- MONIN - FOOD MIXOLOGIST

June 29, 2023

- ISN NETWORK
- QARBON AEROSPACE
- SCOTT AND WHITE MEDICAL
- BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

June 30, 2023

- TRUE HARVEST FARMS
- TRAVEL TO FREDERICKSBURG



\$250

With Application
Participants

that are not selected for the 2023 CORE Academy will be refunded their \$250.

Objectives

ONE OF THE PRIMARY PURPOSES OF THE CORE ACADEMY IS TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A TOUR OF SOME OF THE PREMIER UNIVERSITIES AND BUSINESSES IN THE DALLAS FORT WORTH AREA.

- 5-Day exploration program
- Experience higher education and career choices
- Meet with industry and business professionals to expose youth to a variety of career paths.

DEADLINE
April 15th

Applicants

4-H MEMBERS THAT HAVE A STRONG INTEREST IN THIS DIVERSE TOUR WHO ARE OUTGOING HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN THROUGH INCOMING SENIORS ARE INVITED TO APPLY.

APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY MAY 1, 2023 OF THEIR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE 2023 CAREER OPPORTUNITIES REFLECTING EXCELLENCE ACADEMY.

*NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER APPLICANTS RECEIVE THEIR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE 2023 CAREER OPPORTUNITIES REFLECTING EXCELLENCE ACADEMY MAY 1, 2023.

State Updates

Texas 4-H Horse Validation

- The validation cost **before April 15th** for each horse is \$10.00. After April 15th, the validation cost **before May 1st** for each horse is \$20.00. These cost is only guaranteed if validation is approved by the county office by the deadlines & payment is processed.
- 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.
- ***NEW IN 2023*** - Lease horses are now eligible to be validated and shown at District and State 4-H Horse Shows. An official Texas 4-H Horse Lease Agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and the supervising County Extension Agent. The lease period must include, at minimum, May 1st to August 31st of the current 4-H year. The lease agreement form must be uploaded on 4HOnline at validation.
- Families can validate each horse only one time. Once the horse is validated, any sibling within that family is eligible to show the horse at their district show and/or the State 4-H Horse Show.
- Youth validating a futurity horse must be at least 12 years of age (as of Sept. 1, 2022) and at least in the 6th grade.

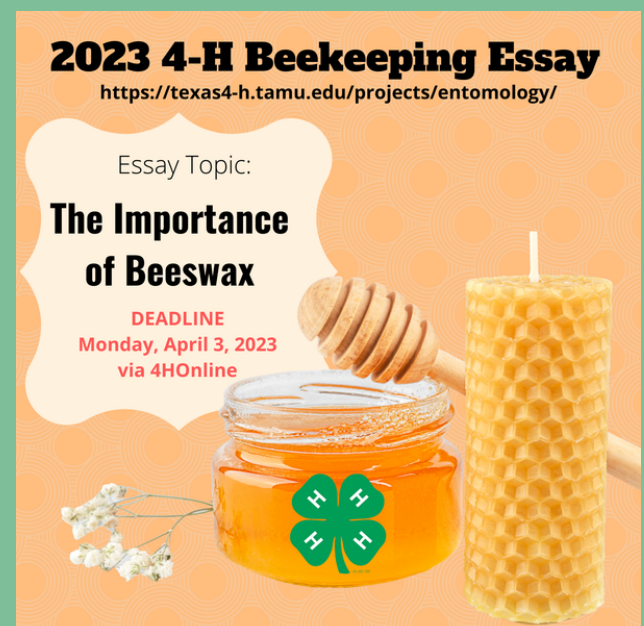
[WEBSITE LINK HERE](#)

Beekeeping Essay Contest

The Foundation for the Preservation of Honeybees, Inc. announced their 2023 4-H Beekeeping Essay Topic.

4-H members do not have to have a bee project to participate in this contest.

2023 Essay Topic: The Importance of Beeswax. For this essay, a 4-H student should discuss why beeswax is so important to the hive (it's a pantry, it's a nursery, it's the dance floor), but also discuss their favorite way to use beeswax outside the hive. Photos of candles, soaps, or lip balms that are made to show the 4-H'er's skill in using beeswax are welcomed as are recipes or brief instructions. Essays will be uploaded to 4HOnline using the "2023 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest" event. **Deadline is Monday, April 3, 2023.** Winners will be announced the week of April 24th.



State Updates

Texas 4-H Council At-Large Application

The Texas 4-H Council is a team of 4-H members elected by their peers from across the state of Texas representing the twelve AgriLife Extension districts plus an additional six At-Large Delegates, elected by any Senior level 4-H member across the state. 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.

[Information Here](#)

[Application Here](#)

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](#)

State Updates

Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors

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.

Citizenship Washington Focus

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is National 4-H Council's premier leadership and civic engagement experience for high school students. Using the nation's capital as its classroom, CWF connects young leaders nationwide to gain the skills and experiences to become effective change agents. [Register HERE](#)

Texas 4-H Center Camp Registration Open Now

[Click the Link Here for Camp Info](#)

[Click the Link Here for Teen Counselor or Teen Weekend Info](#)

State Updates

Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine, and Poultry Ambassador Applications

The Texas 4-H Livestock, Equine and Poultry Ambassador Programs are gearing up for another incredible year! More details regarding the programs can be found [HERE](#).

Selection Criteria:

- Senior level (grades 9-12) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding his/her livestock/equine/poultry projects.
- Students with a profound interest in animal/equine/poultry science, animal production & advocacy.
- Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others
- Top 25% class rank

Application Process:

- Applications were released on the Texas Youth Livestock and Agriculture website (www.texasyouthlivestock.com) on February 15, 2023
- Student must complete the application & input contact information of supervising County Agent.
- CEA will be automatically emailed a recommendation survey.
- Selection committee will review the applications and accept up to 25 participants per short course.
- Applications are due **April 15, 2023**

Short Course Offerings:

- Texas 4-H Poultry Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M University – June 19-22, 2023
- Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M University – June 22-25, 2023
- Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M -Kingsville – June 26-29, 2023
- National Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M University – July 10-13, 2023
- Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, Texas A&M University – July 17-20, 2023
- Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course, West Texas A&M/Texas Tech – July 24-27, 2023

Current Ambassadors- Check your emails for exclusive opportunities coming up!

Summer Poultry Judging Camps

Summer '23 Poultry Judging Camp registration and will be offering more specific and tailored camps. Please review the following descriptions to ensure that you are registering for the appropriate camp! [FLYER HERE](#)

State Updates



4-H State Roundup

For all updates about roundup, Click the link [HERE](#)

A graphic for the Texas 4-H Roundup T-Shirt Design Contest. It features a yellow banner with the text "Texas 4-H Roundup... T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST" in black and white. Below this is a green banner with "DESIGN CONTEST" in white. A black button says "SHOW US YOUR CREATIVE TALENTS". To the right is a magnifying glass focusing on the word "DEFINE" with a green 4-H logo below it. The background is a collage of words related to 4-H.

- Must be a Texas 4-H member
- Design should be your original work
- Hand drawn images are encouraged, but computer generated designs are acceptable
- Design should fit on the front side of the t-shirt (12 inch design maximum)
- Design should incorporate the words "Texas 4-H Roundup" and "2023"
- Use of the Roundup theme "Define" is encouraged, but not required
- If selected, designs may be modified slightly for printing purposes
- All submissions become the property of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Texas 4-H Youth Development Program
- 4-H members release all rights to submission of design

Winning design will receive credit as the designer with their name and county noted on the t-shirt AND receive a \$50 gift card.

DEADLINE : MARCH 19, 2023

Submit via 4Honline
<https://texas.4honline.com>
2023 Roundup T-shirt Design Contest

State Photography Contest

Senior level 4-Hers, please let Allison know **by March 24th** if you are interested in submitting a photo in the state photography contest. Categories are- Animals- Domestic; Animals- Wildlife; Catch-All; Details & Macro; Elements of Design; Enhanced; Food; Landscape & Nature (Non-animal); Leading Line; Long Exposure; Motion/Action; People; Plant/Flora; Shadow/Silhouette; Theme (Reflections)



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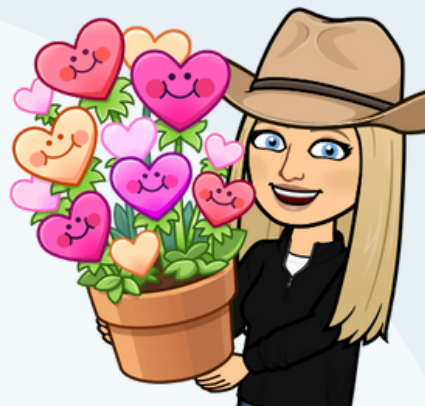
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Helpful Website Links:

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[Texas 4-H](#)

[4-HOnline](#)