# April 2023

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May 14 State 4-H Roundup Registration Deadline

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## 2023 Theme

1420 3rd St, Suite 300 Floresville, Texas 78114

(830) 393- 7357

Website Link

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## **Save the Dates!**

## **Upcoming Spring and Summer Dates**

County Council officer applications due-April 25th

County Scholarship applications due-April 26th

Award applications due- June 1st

Record books due- June 13th

Award interviews- June 13th

Record book judging- June 20th & 21st

Achievement night- July 16th

## **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.

#### County Council Meeting DATE CHANGE

When: May 10, 2023 @ 6:30 pm Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

Officer Elections!

#### **County Council Officer Applications**

Link to application HERE

Deadline: April 25, 2023

#### County Council and Adult Booster Scholarship Link to application HERE

Deadline: April 26, 2023

#### Senior Cookie/Snacks

April: County Line 4-H

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.

#### **Adult Booster Gala**

When: April 1, 2023 @ 6:30 pm Where: Wilson County Expo Center

If you need to purchase tickets, contact the Extension office or Beverly Hummel.

#### Adult Booster Parade Representative/ Outstanding Youth Nominations

Application Link Here

Applications due May 1, 2023

Adult Booster Meeting When: May 3, 2023 @ 6:30 pm Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

**County Council Rabies Clinic** 

Sunday, April 2nd from 2-4 pm @ Deason's

# 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 <u>DO NOT</u> 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 <u>WILL be eligible</u> 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**



In honor of national parks week, LET'S CELEBRATE NATURE

When: April 17th @ 5–6:30 pm Where: Central Park Pond (by Bryce Field) What: Interactive activities about nature appreciation and awareness

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## **County Updates**

WILSON COUNTY 4-H

MONTHLY PHOTO

DISPLAY

AT THE WILSON COUNTY LIBRARIES

September Animals October Shadows November People ..... December Food TTTTTT January Long Exposure 🛛 February Elements of Design 

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

Wilson4hphoto@gmail.com FB: @wilson4hphoto



#### Jason Kreuger Memorial Scholarship

Active Senior 4-H members who are scheduled to graduate from high school in 2023 and have exhibited a steer in any Texas Steer Shows are welcome to apply for the Jason Kreuger Memorial Scholarship. <u>Application HERE</u> <u>Post mark Deadline: **April 20, 2023**</u>

#### 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	<ul> <li>Livestock Judging</li> </ul>
April 20, 2023	<ul> <li>Range/Pasture ID &amp;</li> </ul>
	Range Evaluation
	<ul> <li>Share the Fun</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Wool &amp; Mohair Judging</li> </ul>
April 21, 2023	<ul> <li>Soil Judging</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Duds 2 Dazzle</li> </ul>
	Fashion Show & Natural Fibers
April 22, 2023	• Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)
April 28, 2023	• 4-H Storyboard Results Posted
District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX	
<b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Monday, May 1, 2023	
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> Tues. May 16, 2023	
LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 17-19, 2023	
EVENT DATE: June 14-15, 2023	
District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX	
<b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> 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 – Fredericksburg	
<b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Thurs., June 1, 2023	
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> Tues., June 27, 2023	
LATE REGISTRATION: WedFri. June 28-30, 2023	
EVENT DATE: July 13, 2023 (*District 10 4-H	
Planning Meeting will be held July 12, 2023.)	



#### **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** 

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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

## Mission

#### PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL OUTH AN OPPORTUNITY O EXPLORE CAREER AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN A DIVERSE GLOBAL AY AS WELL AS ECONOM



#### Contact us

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**Gillespie County AgriLife Agent** 830-997-3452

\*Jessica Faubion and \*Kara Spangler **Bandera County AgriLife Agents** 830-796-7755 \*Kera Dutton and \*Hilary Putrite

Kendall County AgriLife Agent 830-331-8242

#### June 26,2023

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

#### June 27,2023

- HORSEMAN MAGAZINE
- AG WORKERS INSURANCE
- GREAT WOLF LODGE

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#### June 28,2023

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#### June 29,2023 ISN NETWORLD

- QARBON AEROSPACE
- SCOTT AND WHITE MEDICAL
- **BAYLOR UNIVERSITY**

#### June 30,2023

- TRUE HARVEST FARMS
- TRAVEL TO FREDERICKSBURG



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.



#### Applicants

4-H MEMBERS THAT HAVE A STRONG INTEREST IN THIS DIVERSE TOUR WHO ARE OUTGOING HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN 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** 

#### **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
- Areospace
- **Corporate Careers**

**Application Link** Here





Youth Agriculture Lifetime Leadership Experience

## July 16-21, 2023



#### **Experiences**

- Beef Cattle
- College Tours
- Education
- Finance
- Horticulture
- Leadership
- Marketing
- Problem Solving
- And more!

Cost: \$200 per Participant 30 Participant Spots Available Region: Panhandle Eligibility: 10th-12th Graders Timeframe: 6 days / 5 Nights





#### For Information or to Register Visit: https://gillespie.agrilife.org/yall/

<u>Click Link Here</u>

Applications due April 15th

Call: 830.257.6568 or 903.439.5935

**Ouestions?** 

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, gender identity, or any other classification protected by federal, state, or local law and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

Texas 4-H State Roundup – College Station, TX		
<b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Monday, May 1, 2023		
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> Sun., May 14, 2023		
CONTEST INFORMATION		
EVENT DATE: June 5-8, 2023	<u>Texas 4-H Roundup Website</u> <u>Texas 4-H Roundup Guide</u> 2023 Hotel Block Information	
Texas 4-H State Dog Show – Belton, TX		
REGISTRATION OPENS: TBA		
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINE:</b> Friday, May 12, 2023		
LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 13-19, 2023		
EVENT DATE: July 6-8, 2023	<u>Texas 4-H Dog Show Website</u> <u>Texas 4-H Dog Show Rules</u> 2023 Hotel Block Information	
Texas 4-H State Games – Baird/San Antonio, TX		
REGISTRATION OPENS: TBA		
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: TBA		
Registration will be conducted on (2) different sites: STEP ONE- Register on 4HOnline. STEP ONE must be		
completed FIRST. STEP TWO- Register on iclays.com		
July 9-14, 2023 Baird, Texas	Events: Rifle, Pistol, Muzzleloading & Hunting Skill Location: Callahan County 4-H Shooting Range	
July 17-22, 2023	Events: Archery & Shotgun	
San Antonio,	Location: National Shooting	
Texas	Complex	
Texas 4-H Horse Show – Bryan, TX		
<b>REGISTRATION OPENS:</b> Monday, May 1, 2023		
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Sat., July 1, 2023		
EVENT DATE: July 23-28, 2023	<u>Texas 4-H Horse Show Website</u> <u>Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules</u> <u>2023 State Horse Validation</u>	



For all updates about roundup, Click the link<u>HERE</u>

#### **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 Menday. April 3, 2023. Winners will be approximately a super-

is Monday, April 3, 2023. Winners will be announced the week of April 24th.



#### **Build your own STEM Bundle**

Build your own Mars Base Camp, Galactic Quest, and Explorers Of The Deep STEM Challenge Kit bundles. Save 25% on additional supplies associated with each kit purchased from National 4-H.

#### WEBSITE LINK HERE



#### Applications open March 15 - May 1

Must be at least 14 years old and in high school for the 2023/2024 academic year

www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com/application



re into leadership, service and learning.



WHEN: MAY 5-7 WHERE: TEXAS 4-H CENTER WHY: GROW LEADERSHIP SKILLS & LEARN ROLES OF CAMP COUNSELORS PRICE: \$75 TO INCLUDE MEALS AND ALL OTHER ACTIVITIES WHO: HIGH SCHOOL AGED TEENS GRADES 9-12

IF YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN A FUN FILLED WEEKEND LEARNING VALUABLE LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND LEARN HOW TO BE A CAMP AMBASSADOR/COUNSELOR, THEN COME AND SEE US! PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN TEAMBUILDING GAMES/ICEBREAKERS, UTILIZE THE CHALLENGE COURSE, AND DEMONSTRATE WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A YOUNG LEADER. THIS TRAINING IS INTENDED FOR TEENS INTERESTED IN COMING TO CAMP FOR FREE, ENJOYING THEMSELVES AND LEAVING THE CAMP OVER THE SUMMER WITH 50+ VOLUNTEER HOU<del>RGIN</del>

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR TO REGISTER VISIT https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu



#### Texas 4-H Center Camp Registration Open Now

Click the Link Here for Camp Info

#### **4-H Roping School**

On June 18 - 22, 2023, the Statewide Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School will be held in Stephenville, Texas. The school will be held at Park Your Pony Arena (address and contact information are provided below). This event has been developed to encourage young people in 4H to develop leadership skills and to exercise their abilities in working with younger members in roping activities in 4H. Participation is open to all districts of the state, with applications being accepted on a first come, first-serve basis with priority to those who are 12 years of age and older. The maximum number which can be accommodated is 50.

The cost of the school will be \$550 per participant for the week. This will include group insurance, meals, lodging, cost of the practice calves in the teaching process, and stall rent for one horse. If you are wanting to bring extra horses or reserve a RV spot, you will need to contact Park Your Pony directly to make arrangements and payment for additional stalls.

Let Allison know if you are wanting more information!



**Application Link Here** 

#### **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 <u>HERE.</u>

#### **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 (<u>www.texasyouthlivestock.com</u>) 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!

#### **Texas 4-H International Exchange Program**

Host families are needed for this summer program.

Apply to be a host family HERE

## WILSON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

### TEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION

#### WILSON COUNTY OFFICE

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### Helpful Website Links:

District 10 4-H Texas 4-H <u>4-HOnline</u>

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