

November 2023



WILSON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

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2023 Theme

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New 4-H Year Enrollments!

Time to Enroll

Enrollments begins September 1st
You must enroll online on our new system 4-H Online.

[Sign up here!](#)

If you enroll before October 31, 2023 your participation fee is only \$25 per member.
After October 31, 2023 the fee will increase to \$30 per member, so sign up ASAP!

How to Enroll- Returning Members

If you are a returning member, **DO NOT create a new profile.**
Duplicate profiles will not be accepted! Use the same email and password you used last year.

For **detailed instructions** visit [HERE.](#)

How to Enroll- New Members

you must create a new profile. For detailed instructions visit [HERE.](#)

For training and details about 4-H Online visit [HERE.](#)

Be sure to triple check all your information!

Enter an email you check regularly! This is the email the Extension Office will use to send newsletters, upcoming events and all other important information.

If you have any questions please contact the Extension Office at (830)393-7357.

Attention: Livestock Exhibitors

Quality Counts

Required for all exhibitors showing at any major livestock show

Click [HERE](#) for instructions.

Exhibitors must be verified once as a junior (grades 3-5), once as an intermediate (grades 6-8) and once as a senior (grades 9-12).

SWINE VALIDATION

NOVEMBER 27TH & 28TH

4-6 PM

@SHOWBARN

Turkey pick up!

When: November 8th

Where: Extension classrooms

If you ordered turkeys, pick up will be this day around 4-5 pm. Be on the lookout for emails regarding pick up!

4-H Livestock Home Page

Looking for showmanship clinics or jackpot shows? Check out our website [HERE](#) for upcoming opportunities!

LVJLS Broiler Orders

When: due November 30th

Where: Extension office by 5 pm

Tentative pick up: January 19th

SPECIES CLINIC

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

4:00 PM

WILSON COUNTY EXPO CENTER

COME LEARN FROM THE WILSON COUNTY
LIVESTOCK AMBASSADORS AND GROW YOUR
SHOWMANSHIP SKILLS!

THE AMBASSADORS WILL COVER:

-CATTLE -LLAMAS
-SWINE -RABITS
-SHEEP -GOATS
-EQUINE

WILSON COUNTY EXPO CENTER (SHOWBARN) ADDRESS: 435 TX-97 FLORESVILLE, TX 78114
PLEASE CONTACT THE EXTENSION OFFICE AT (830) 393-7357 WITH ANY QUESTIONS.



County Updates

Attention: Livestock Exhibitors/ Major Show Participants

Stockshow Entry Days

Date Change

When: November 3; 6, 7, 9, 2023

Where: Extension Office



MUST book an appointment if showing at

- **WCJLS**
- **LVJLS**- no rabbit entries
- **ANY major livestock show**- Individual and team contests (Fort Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, Houston, Austin, Texas Elite, Sandhills)

Book your appointment [HERE](#)

New

Wilson County Extension Office policy for livestock show entries

4-H members must make an entry appointment during the selected days and times posted.

Appointments are required due to the large number of entries received to reduce wait times for members, ensure thorough analyzation/completion of all forms, and ensure the correct amount of money is collected per exhibitor to enter the show(s).

Last day of entry appointments (**November 9th at 5 pm for 2023**) is the last possible time the Extension office will receive entry paperwork (not including WCJLS baked food show). After the last day, the office will charge \$50 per exhibitor submitting late entry forms to the office as long as the desired stockshow's entry date has not past.

County Updates

2023-2024 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.

County Council Meeting

When: November 1, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

Wilson County Soil & Water Conservation District Poster & Essay Contests

When: November 15, 2023

Contest forms [HERE](#)

Rifle Club registration

When: November 7, 2023 @ 7-9 pm

Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

Registration cost is \$140 which includes 4 prepaid rifle matches. Contact Stephanie Kirtland (wilson4hrifle@gmail.com) for more information!

Senior Cookie/Snacks

November: Sunnyside 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.

Pen Pal program

Wilson County 4-H members have the opportunity to participate in a pen pal program with other 4-H members in Illinois.

Objectives:

- Promote the 4-H program in your county and state.
- Improve writing skills and communication skills
- How the same project could be completed in different ways (rural vs city)
- Learn about different cultures and environments
- Introduction to new projects

Contact Valarie Campos
(4hmamavalarie@gmail.com) if interested!

Adult Booster Meeting

When: November 8, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

County Updates



Interested in GPS, GIS, or RS?

Used in everything from growing crops to tracking down elephants, geospatial technology is one of the fastest growing industries in the United States. Geospatial technology is used to analyze the earth's features and visualize measurements. It generally involves global positioning systems (GPS), geographical information systems (GIS), and remote sensing (RS).


GPS can tell us where we are on Earth by connecting to satellites. GIS uses computers to layer maps to help us learn more about our world. These layers can include transportation, natural resources, businesses, and people.

- Learn the basics of GPS and GIS.
- Gain practice using GPS devices.
- Learn to read and create maps.

If interested in geospatial technology as a STEM project, contact the Extension office or Jennifer Vaughan-Gibson (JVaughan-Gibson@esri.com).



Wilson County Archery Project
9th Annual Clout Tournament

BUCKLES & BANNERS EVENT**BUCKLES & BANNERS EVENT**

November 11, 2023 9:00 a.m.
Helton Sports Fields
2785 County Road 128, Floresville, TX

Open to 4-H members, non-members and adult shooters
Age Divisions: Jr. (3rd - 5th grade)
Intermediate (6th - 8th grade)
Sr. (9th - 12th grade) and Adults (19 and older)
1st-3rd place awarded for each kid's category (1st -3rd place overall adult only)

4-H tournament format will be followed
Dress Code - long pants & closed-toed shoes
Target - horizontal 46' circle with 51" rings
Distances: Adult/Sr. - 110 M, Intermediate/Jr. 70M
Six ends of 6 arrows, 4 minutes per end
Scoring 5-1

For more information contact Cindi Luna at calsgh@msn.com or call or text 512-914-1212

Name: _____ **Age:** _____
Address: _____ **Grade:** _____
E-mail: _____ **Phone:** _____

Category (circle one): Bare Bow (long and recurve) Compound aided
Recurve (single sight; no peep) NASP
\$25/youth \$35/adult \$80/family

Make checks payable to: Wilson County Archery Project
Mail to: 624 S. 7th Street Stockdale, TX 78160
Mailed entries due by November 7, 2023
Onsite registration is available day of the event

This event is in a large field. Please bring canopies/tents and chairs.

***\$10 BBQ Sandwich Meal tickets can be purchased separately and includes sandwich, chips, side, drink**

District Updates

District 10 FALL Roundup – Kerrville, TX

REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, Oct. 6, 2023

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Oct. 31, 2023

LATE REGISTRATION: Wed. – Fri. Nov 1-3, 2023

Fall Roundup CONTEST DATES

Nov. 28, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ed. Presentation & Public Speaking • Livestock & Horse Quiz Bowl
Nov. 29, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Show • FCH Quiz Bowl • Entomology Judging
Nov. 30, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Challenge

District 10 4-H Horse Judging at HLSR

****All 4-H members must submit an HLSR Stock Show entry form/fees to their County Office to compete in the District 10 4-H Horse Judging contest that is being held conjunction with the Houston Stock Show.**

DISTRICT REGISTRATION OPENS: Jan. 15, 2024

DISTRICT REGISTRATION DEADLINE Feb. 6, 2024

DISTRICT LATE REGISTRATION: Feb. 7-9, 2024

Mar. 4, 2024 • Horse Judging @ HLSR

District 10 4-H Virtual Photography Contest

REGISTRATION OPENS: Thurs., Feb. 1, 2024

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tue. Feb. 20, 2024

LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri. Feb 21-23, 2024

Feb. 23, 2024 4HOnline Registration **CLOSES**

Mar. 29, 2024 Photography Results Released

Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship

APPLICATIONS OPEN: November 1, 2023

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: Feb. 15, 2024 @11:59PM

Nov. 1, 2023 Scholarship Guidelines Released

Feb. 15, 2024 Scholarship Applications Close

District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX

REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, March 1, 2024

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 19, 2024

LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri, Mar. 20-22, 2024

Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES

April 9, 2024	• Leaders 4 Life (Location TBD)
April 10, 2024	• Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX)
April 15, 2024	• Livestock Judging
April 16, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consumer Decision Making • Range/Pasture ID & Range Evaluation • Wool & Mohair Judging
April 17, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share the Fun • Soil Judging
April 18, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duds 2 Dazzle • Fashion Show & Natural Fibers
April 20, 2024	• Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)
April 26, 2024	• 4-H Storyboard Results Released

District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX

REGISTRATION OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

REGISTRATION DEADLINE Tues. May 14, 2024

LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 15-17, 2024

EVENT DATE: June 13, 2024

District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX

REGISTRATION OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 28, 2024

LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 29-31, 2024

EVENT DATE: June 26-28, 2024

District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg

REGISTRATION OPENS: Saturday, June 1, 2024

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 25, 2024

LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri. June 26-28, 2024

EVENT DATE: July 11, 2024

Guadalupe County 4-H Robotics Sumo-Bots Contest

Registration Deadline: November 18th

Flyer link [HERE](#)

State Updates



NOVEMBER 10-12, 2023
TEXAS 4-H CENTER

RED CARPET RODEO

Join us in November for SPARK (formerly Junior Leadership Retreat) which is the premiere youth teaching youth statewide leadership retreat for junior and intermediate level 4-H members led by our Texas 4-H Council!

Registration:
Youth (3rd - 8th) - \$170.00
Adult Chaperones - \$0.00

Spark
formerly Junior Leadership Retreat

Registration closes November 4th!
Register in 4-HOnline!



Texas 4-H Natural Resources Photography Contest

REGISTRATION
\$10/photo

Purpose:
To encourage observation within specific Natural Resources project areas and allow youth to demonstrate skills learned in the area of photography.

Categories:
Aquatic Science Entomology
Shooting Sports Forestry
Sportfishing Range Science
Hunting Outdoor Education
Wildlife & Fisheries
Water Conservation & Education

Registration through 4HOnline:
Entries Open: December 1, 2023
Entries Close: December 15, 2023

****IMPORTANT****
Participants will upload photos in a separate system called Submittable. Instructions and a direct link will be provided during the 4HOnline registration process.

Texas 4-H State Roundup 2024

Click [HERE](#) for the updated contest guide list!

2024 Texas 4-H Record Book Information Released

Click [HERE](#) for the updated guide for 2023-2024 record books!



TEXAS 4-H JERKY JACKPOT

A FUNDRAISING EFFORT FOR A BETTER FUTURE...
the Texas 4-H Foundation's Jerky Jackpot

CHOOSE FROM FOUR GREAT FLAVORS!

PEPPERED HICKORY	SWEET SMOKED	BROWN SUGAR BBQ	SABADO HATCH CHILE
 Just the right amount of pepper to make it taste like a meat stick!	 If you love the traditional taste of jerky, this is the one!	 Tender with a mildly sweet and smoky flavor. A favorite!	 Tender Hatch Chile with a touch of fire. Just a little kick at the end!

Be sure to designate a 4-Her and a county to receive credit!

Order Here → 

State Updates



Registration is Open!

Texas 4-H
NATURAL RESOURCES
PROGRAM
Presents

**4-H Hunting Project
Coach Training**

**Includes Texas Hunter Education Instructor
Certification for those not already certified*

December 16-17, 2023
Big Spring, Howard County

Register on 4HOnline
Registration open to adult 4-H volunteers,
Senior division 4-H members, and County
Extension Agents/Program Assistants.

Registration Open:
September 29, 2023-November 27, 2023

Registration Fee - \$150. Includes 3 meals
during training and educational materials.
Training runs from 9:00am Saturday, after
supper into the evening, and continues
Sunday morning to approximately 3:00pm.

Contact Larry Hysmith at lthysmith@tamu.edu for questions

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*Stephenville,
Abilene, and
San Angelo*

CORE
academy
Career Opportunities Reflecting Excellence

**REGISTRATION
DEADLINE**
April 15th

One of the goals of the CORE Academy is to
bring awareness to an assortment of possible
careers. These careers do not focus on any one
discipline. Career tours can be anything
from hospitality, tourism, manufacturing,
criminal justice, culinary arts, agriculture &
natural resources, to marketing and
promotions. The objective is to expose the
youth to careers and businesses that they
may have never considered.

**JUNE
17th - 21st
2024**

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.



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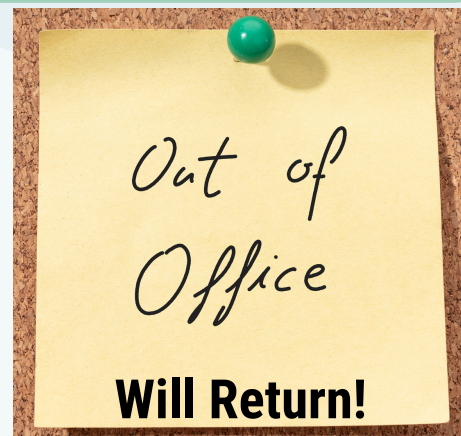
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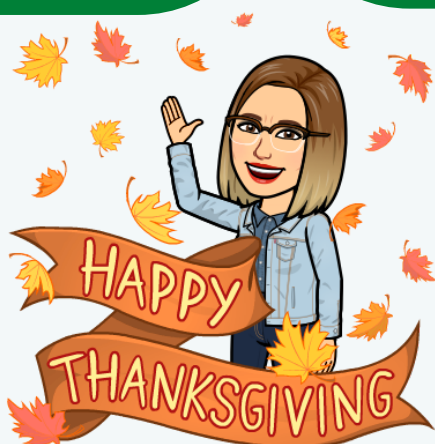
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[Texas 4-H](#)

[4-HOnline](#)