



Colorado County 4-H Newsletter

MARCH 2023

2022 - 2023 Consumer Decision Making

2023 Consumer Decision Making Project Practice Schedule/Topics/Contests 316 Spring Street Columbus Texas

Date	Topic- TBD	Topic Leader(Can Switch Topics)
Sunday January 22	Headphones/Earbuds/Tablets	Kase Weishuhn
Sunday January 29	Wireless Portable Speakers/Fitness Trackers/Mystery	Brooke Wanjura
Sunday February 5	Outdoor Equipment/Outdoor Backpacks/Mystery	Jase Rau
Sunday February 12	Activewear/Athletic Shoes/Sunglasses	Julie Gobert
Saturday February 18	SALE Contest 8 am Registration 9:00 am Contest	
Friday March 17	Deadline to sign up for the District contest online thru 4-H Connect Everyone Please signup!	Jashae Carter
Sunday March 19 3:30-4:45	Sunglasses Backpacks One set of reasons	Weishuhn Reasons Judges
Wed. March 22 4:15-5pm	Athletic Shoes	Ja'Shae Carter
Sunday March 26 1-3 pm	Activewear Fitness Trackers One set of Reasons	Weishuhn Reasons Judges
Sunday April 2 3:30-4:45	Tablets Two sets of Reasons	Weishuhn Reasons Judges
Wed April 5 4:15-5:15pm	Handsfree Bluetooth car kits	Ja'Shae Carter
Monday April 10 3:45-4:45	Review – Contest information Carpools etc	Ja'Shae Carter/Weishuhn
Thursday April 13	Spring Spectacular Check in time 12:30 Victoria College Emerging Technology Complex 7403 Lone Tree Rd, Victoria, TX 77905 1-4 pm contest	
Juniors Caden Koy Wyatt Rosenbaum	Intermediates Jack Dudensing Jacob Koy Emily Weid	Seniors Brooke Wanjura Julie Gobert Jase Rau Kase Weishuhn Colten Koy - Individual

Items needed for contest – paper with boxes drawn, or plain paper, clipboard, pencils, simple calculator



S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

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Please submit the completed form to Amanda Spacek
(aspacek@weimarisd.org) or Ja'Shae Carter
(jashae.carter@ag.tamu.edu) by March 21st.

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Students Uniting Colorado County in Excellence, Service, and Stewardship

Overview

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More Information

When will S.U.C.C.E.S.S. take place?	<p>Pick a time and date between 4/10/2023-4/16/2023.</p> <p>Your club or chapter will pick a day and time during this week that works best for you. Each club/chapter will work with the other members of their organization.</p>
Who can participate?	<p>Any 4-H, FFA, or Jr. FFA member in Colorado County.</p> <p>Any club manager/FFA Advisor that wishes to have their group participate should submit the attached Club/Chapter Participation form to:</p> <p>Amanda Spacek: aspacek@weimarisd.org or Ja'Shae Carter: jashae.carter@ag.tamu.edu</p>
Where do we find service opportunities?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Locate elderly/disabled individuals in your community who need help with projects in their yards/homes● Contact local city or county officials to identify areas of need in your community● Identify parks or other community areas that are in need of cleaning
What will we be doing?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Projects will vary based on the needs of the individuals/locations you are serving. Please ask ahead of time what supplies you may need to bring.

- Reach out to your members to recruit participants
- Submit the Club/Chapter Participation form to Amanda Spacek or Ja'Shae Carter by March 21st.
- Submit T-Shirt order forms to Amanda Spacek or Ja'Shae Carter by March 21st
 - Identify service opportunities for your club/chapter



Contact Amanda Spacek (aspacek@weimarisd.org) if you would like a team member to come explain S.U.C.C.E.S.S. to members at your next meeting



Feel free to reach out if you need help identifying service opportunities



Summer 2023 Major Show Validation Tag Order

Colorado County 4-H and FFA Major Livestock Show Exhibitors:

It is time to order tags for the June 2023 major show validation. Tag orders (including payment) are due by April 5th for all livestock species. In 2023 we will be changing how we **order tags** for major show validations held in June and October of 2023.

- June 2023 Major Show Validations will be held for Breeding Heifers, Market Steers, Market and Breeding Sheep, and Market and Breeding Goats.
- October 2023 Major Show Validations will be held for Breeding Heifers, Market and Breeding Sheep, and Market and Breeding Goats.

NEW IN 2023 – All state validated heifers will be tagged similar to major show steers. The state validation committee has made this change to bring the heifer validation program in line with the breeding sheep, breeding goats and breeding gilts validation. If you plan to show breeding heifers at majors starting in Fall 2023 you will have to order tags for those heifers. Heifers that are currently validated will not receive tags unless they are revalidated due to change in breed or change in ownership. Please note that because heifers will receive tags now, the validation fee has increased.

Attached to this letter is our Major Show Validation Order form for livestock to be validated in June 2023. Because each animal that is validated will now receive an ear tag we are going to transition to using a tag order form. Each exhibitor that plans to validate livestock for Texas Majors **MUST** fill out the tag order form and include payment. Forms and payment may be turned in to your Agricultural Science Teacher or to the Colorado County Extension Office by the deadline designated on the order form. Order forms that do not include payment will NOT be ordered. All payment must be received at the time of order. Payment can be made by cash, or by check.

Our goal is to make this transition as seamless as possible. If you have any questions or concerns please contact your agricultural science teacher, or the Colorado County Extension Office.

The physical validation event for major show steers, heifers and State Fair lamb and goats will be held in June 2023. More information regarding the validation date will be available soon. If there are any questions regarding the Texas Livestock Validation process please contact your agricultural science teacher, or the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office in Colorado County at 979-732-2082.

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316 Spring Street | Columbus, Texas 78934

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Record Books

Why is it important you keep a record of your 4-H activities? Because, by recording your activities you can remember all the fun you've had so far, and set future goals! Keeping records of 4-H projects could help you when you apply for college scholarships too! 4-H Record books are books you make to record your annual projects.

Website: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/>

Categories : https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/record_book_categories_2022_2023.pdf

Livestock Judging or Dairy Judging

If you are interested reach out to Laramie Kettler at laramie.kettler@ag.tamu.edu from at the Colorado County Extension Office.

Contact for dates.

No experience is required for participation in either group! Come learn about livestock and dairy evaluation with us!

Community Connections Day

BUILDING TODAY FOR
A BRIGHTER TOMORROW



Come Support Your Local:

- CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS
- YOUTH GROUPS
- NONPROFITS
- CHURCHES

Habitat Office
602 Walnut Street,
Columbus, TX

GAMES
FUN for ALL

FOOD, DRINKS,
DESSERTS

DJ AND
LIVE MUSIC

SCAN HERE



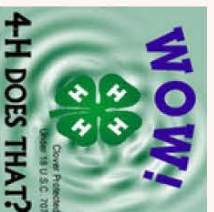


How to join A 4-H Club

Step 1. Find a club in your areas or one you are interested in. We currently have 6 clubs and 2 project groups in Colorado County so there is something for everyone. If you are interested in joining a 4-H club in your local community, contact the club manager. They will invite you and your family to a club meeting so that you can learn more. You may also contact your Colorado County Extension Office. Membership is open year round.

Step 2. Attend and participate in meetings and activities to learn all you can about the club, their activities, and 4-H!

Step 3. Log on to 4-H Online at <https://texas.4honline.com> to complete your enrollment information. Make sure you complete all of the information so you can receive updates, newsletters, and reminders about activities and important dates! Parents may also become active in the 4-H clubs by leading a project group or assisting with events and activities.



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Colorado County 4-H 2022-2023

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,
my **HEART** to greater loyalty,
my **HANDS** to larger service,
and my **HEALTH** to better living,
for my club, my community,
my country, and my world.



Activities/Projects

- Community Service Opportunities
- Share the fun - Educational Presentations
- Shooting Sports: Archery, Rifle, Air Pistol
- Consumer Decision Making
- Food Challenge/Food Show
- Record Books
- 4-H Camps
- 4-H Roundup
- County Fair Exhibits
- Robotics/STEM
- Showing Livestock
- Food and Nutrition Project
- Horse Club
- Public Speaking
- Clothing and Textiles Project
- Livestock Judging
- One Day 4-H!



Colorado County 4-H Club Information 2022-2023

Colorado County 4-H Council

Meets 3rd Monday of Odd Months
Colorado County Extension Office @ 6:30 p.m.

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Laramie.kettler@ag.tamu.edu

979-732-2082

979-732-2530



Colorado County 4-H Horse Club

Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month
Colorado County Extension Office @ 7:00 p.m.

Sarah Wanjura, Club Manager

sarahwanjura@hotmail.com

979-820-6659

Eagle Lake 4-H Club

Meets 3rd Saturday of each month Providence Baptist
Church Hall @ 3:00 p.m.
Coby Shorter III, Club Manager
512-217-0112

Frelsburg 4-H Club

Meets 3rd Monday of each month Colorado
County Extension Office @ 5:30 p.m.

Jessie Rau, Club Manager

jessierau@hotmail.com

979-732-1816

Garwood 4-H Club

Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month Lehrer
Memorial Methodist Church Hall @ 6:00 p.m.
Jennifer Peacock & Katie Kunz, Club Managers

jenniferpeacock@sbcglobal.net

kunzklan@reagan.com

979-758-1133

979-578-1237

Wild Clover 4-H Club

Meets last Thursday of each
month @ 5:30 p.m.

Nicole Goldman, Club Manager,

nicolemorellgoldman@gmail.com

832-294-3464

Whispering Oaks 4-H Club

Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday Christ Episcopal
Church @ 6:00 p.m.

Alyssa Lindemann, Club Manager

alindemannccems@gmail.com

979-758-1922



Columbus Area 4-H Shooting Sports

Meetings vary with Shooting Sports
HE Building, Colorado County Fairgrounds @ 5:45p.m. &
6:45 p.m.

Terri Jurek, Club Manager

Terri and Stephen Jurek, Coaches/Leaders

Shoot4fun@netzero.com

979-732-9498

Archery - Tuesday (Sept. - Jan.) @ 7:00 p.m.,
Fairgrounds

.22 Rifle - Sunday (Jan. - Feb.) @ 2:00 p.m. -

5:00 p.m., Shooting Range

Air Pistol/Air Rifle - Thursday (Jan. - Mar.) @

6:45 p.m., Fairgrounds

.22 Pistol - Sunday (Jan. - Feb.) @ 2:00 - 5:00

p.m., Fairgrounds

Shotgun - Coaches' availability dictates if
these disciplines are offered and when they
meet.



4-H Council Officers for 2022-2023

Brooke Wanjura, Chairman

Jack Dudensing, 1st Vice Chairman

Kase Weishuhn, 2nd Vice Chairman

Brina Kent, 3rd Vice Chariman

Lana Potter, Secretary

Julie Ana Gobert, Treasurer

Emily Weid, Reporter

Trey Silcox, Parliamentarian

Upcoming District Contest Information

Date: April 13 – 14, 2023

Location: Victoria College Emerging Technology Complex, 7403 Lone Tree
Road, Victoria TX 77904

Map to Victoria College Emerging Technology Complex

Registration: January 16 – March 17, 2023, via 4-H Online

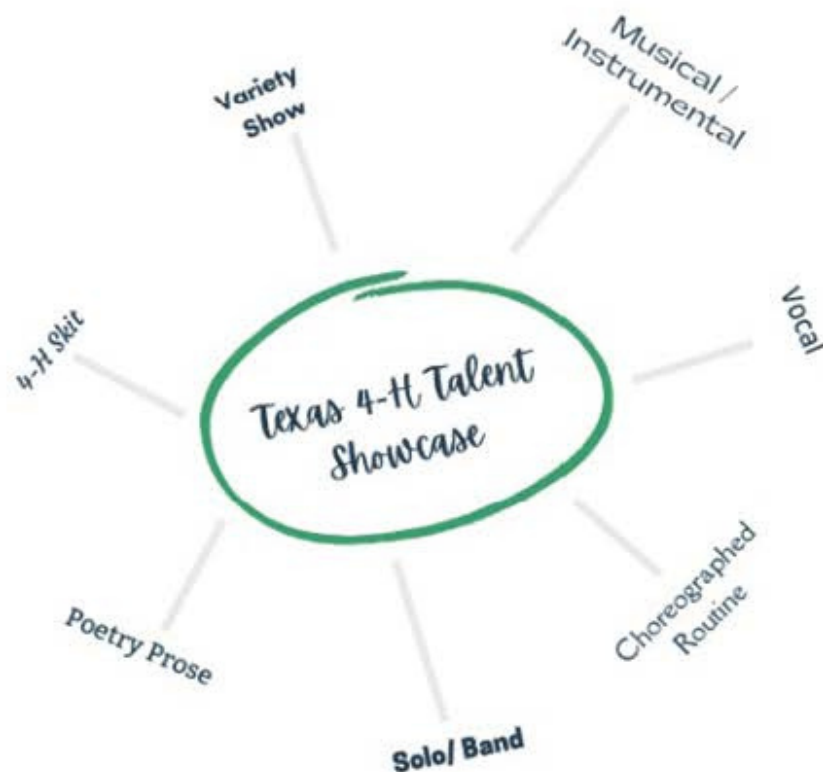
Late Registration: March 18 – 24, 2023

<https://d114-h.tamu.edu/files/2023/01/2023-District-11-4-H-Spring-Spectacular-Schedule-TENTATIVE-Update1.pdf>

4-H now offers a talent showcase! Youth will be able to showcase:

Choreographed Routines, Variety Show,
Musical/Instrumental, and Vocal

4-H Skit, Poetry/Prose, and Solo/Band Performance!
A total of 7 categories that will be offered for the 2023
contest.



2022 - 2023 District 11 4-H Calendar

2022			
Event		Location	Tentative Registration Info & Deadline
September			
September 1	Start of new 4-H Year!!!		
October			
October 2 - 8	National 4-H Week	Nationwide!	
TBA	One Day 4-H	Statewide!	
November			
November 10-12	District 11 Crossroads	College Station	4-H Online 2.0
December			
December 3	Coastal Bend Classic	San Patricio Co Fairgrounds, Sinton TX	Prereg recommended: d114-h.tamu.edu
December 9 & 10	D11 Food Show & Food Challenge	Cuero	4-H Online 2.0
TBA	D11 Archery Meet	TBA	4-H Online 2.0
2023			
January			
TBA	D11 Shooting Sports Training		4-H Online 2.0
February			
TBA	District Wool Judging	HLSR	HLSR & 4-H Online 2.0
March			
Virtual	D11 Photography (JR & INT)	Judging online	4-H Online 2.0
Virtual	D11 Storyboard	Judging online	4-H Online 2.0
March 18	D11 Dairy Judging	HLSR	HLSR & 4-H Online 2.0
April			
April 1	Horse Judging	College Station	4-H Online 2.0
April 13-14	District 11 Spring Spectacular	Victoria	4-H Online 2.0
TBA	National Volunteer Week	Nationwide!	
TBA	D11 Mock Scholarship Interviews	3 locations in district	
April 22	Multi District Judging Contests	College Station	4-H Online 2.0
TBA	D11 Rifle Match	Victoria	4-H Online 2.0
May			
June			
May 31 - June 1	D11 Horse Show	Brackenridge, Edna TX	4-H Online 2.0
June 5-8	Texas 4-H Roundup	College Station	4-H Online 2.0
June 14 - 16	D11 Leadership Lab	TBA	4-H Online 2.0
July			
July 11	D11 Junior Leadership Lab	TBA	4-H Online 2.0
July 13	D11 Recordbook Judging	Various Locations	4-H Online 2.0
July 18	D11 Coastal Bend 4-H Sportfishing Day	TBA	4-H Online 2.0
August			
August 27	D11 Shooting Sports Leader Meeting	Victoria Co 4-H Activity Ctr.	

Council Meetings

4-H Council Meetings are open to all youth members!!
Council meets bi-weekly,
next council meeting will be held: March 20, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Please be reminded that we will fill Easter Baskets for the Seniors in the Community during this meeting. This is recognized as a community service activity so please support your local clubs and community by participating in this event.

Council Officer Elections coming in MAY 2023!! Officer Applications due May 12th by 5pm.

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Colorado County 4-H Council Scholarship

Two scholarships of \$250.00 each will be awarded to two Colorado County graduating seniors attending one of the high schools in Colorado County or a Colorado County Home School group.

To qualify for these scholarships the following minimum guidelines must be met.

1. Applicants must have been an active member of a Colorado County 4-H Club for at least three (3) years, including the current year.
2. Applicants must fill out the application form completely.
3. Applicants may choose any field of advanced education above high school level, including a 4 year or 2-year college or university or a technical school.
4. Deadline for applications to be received by the Colorado County AgriLife Extension office is **March 31, 2023**.

Selection Process

1. A selection committee will screen applications and make the selections.
2. Selections will be made prior to the end of the school year and those selected will be notified as soon as the selections are made.
3. Presentations will be made at the annual 4-H Award's Program.
4. Proof of registration to a school of advanced learning will be required before scholarship is awarded.
5. If the scholarship is not claimed by December 31st of the year it is awarded, it will become null and void, unless arrangements are made by the person receiving the scholarship.

Colorado County 4-H Council
Scholarship Application Form

Are you now employed? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, what type of work? _____

Do you plan to work while attending college? _____

Describe other work activities or jobs you have held.

List 4-H activities you have participated in while in high school.

List extracurricular activities and other school organizations you participated in while in high school.

List church and community activities, you have participated in.

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Contact Us

4-H updates and current happenings in Colorado County will be posted to the “Colorado County 4-H TEXAS” page as they occur. You can find the page by searching the quotes or going to: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Colorado-County/161170703915573>

Colorado County Extension (ANR and FCH) updates and current happen-ings will be posted on the “Colorado County Extension website. Find the page by going to: <http://Colorado.agrilife.org>.

Extension Staff

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Important Websites

Colorado Co. 4-H <http://colorado.agrilife.org/>
District 11 4-H <http://d114-h.tamu.edu>
Texas 4-H <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/>
4-H Online: <https://v2.4honline.com/>
Texas 4-H Alumni and Friends
<http://texas4hfriends.org>

If you need any assistance or help is needed with any livestock projects, please call the office at 979-732-2082 to schedule a project visit. Call 979-732-2530 for other project information and/or assistance.

AgriLife Extension Office hours:
Monday-Friday 8am-5pm
Closed 12-1pm for lunch





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County Extension Office for assistance ten days prior to the activity.