



Colorado County 4-H Newsletter

MARCH 2024

4-H Virtual Fishing Reel 'em In Skill-a-thon

It's time to start gearing up for the STATEWIDE 2024 4-H Virtual Fishing Reel 'em In Skill-a-thon! Registration will open on 4HOnline, February 1st with the spring tournament scheduled to start on March 15th. This is a fun, educational opportunity for 4-H youth and Clover Kids to get outside and fish with their families and friends as the fishing takes place wherever they are located in Texas! Short educational videos on fishing tips, equipment, fish ID, industry careers, and more are available on the Texas 4-H Natural Resources Facebook page and new YouTube page. Prize packages of gift cards, fishing gear, and more will be awarded as provided by our sponsors. Last year we awarded over \$10,000 in prizes!





2024
Spring



Virtual **TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN**

2024 FISHING SKILL-A-THON

Program Highlights:

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- Clover Kids - FREE to participate and will receive a participation certificate
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Species Divisions:

NEW!

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- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam - post 3 different fish species within species division
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Fee:

- Regular Registration: February 1-29, \$50 flat fee per division per 4-H participant (saltwater and/or freshwater)
- Late Registration: March 1-31, \$100

Questions?

- Contact Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Ph.D.,
Extension Program Specialist at
jlmcswaine@ag.tamu.edu

Spring Tournament
Fish at YOUR Location:
March 15 at 12:00 am thru
May 27 at 11:59 pm

2024 Texas 4-H Virtual Reel 'em In Fishing Skill-a-thon

New for 2024:

1. Follow the Texas 4-H Virtual Reel'em in Fishing program on our new Facebook location: **Texas 4-H Natural Resources** or continue to follow us on the **2024 4-H Fishing** Facebook page. This FB page is a private group that you will need to receive permission to join. The FB link for Texas 4-H Natural Resources is listed below:
<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=texas%204-h%20natural%20resources>
2. Use of 2-digit decimal place for measuring fish.
3. All fish must be caught using rod and reel.
4. Update to Wild Card contest.
5. Update to freshwater and saltwater species.
 - a. Panfish species category
 - b. Flounder to replace sheepshead
6. Cap removed on length of redfish.
7. Two-placing limit on top 10 awards by category.
8. **We are adding a "theme" each year based upon a current issue that is applicable to both saltwater and freshwater.**
 - All youth and Clover Kid participants can record a short 10 to 20 second video on 2023 Theme: *Why You Should Not Litter Our Waterways*.
 - Video clips should be emailed to Jheri-Lynn McSwain at jlmcswain@ag.tamu.edu
One 4-H member and one Clover Kid video will be posted on the State 4-H Natural Resources page.
 - **All entries are due by May 1, 2024 for judging.** Winning videos will receive a Sea Grant swag package of fishing goodies!



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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.

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Part I: Learn to Earn Skills – Educational Opportunities

Short, informative videos in which youth participants and adults can gain knowledge on fishing tips and techniques, both for freshwater and saltwater species. No fee to participate.

Educational Videos:

I. Tips and Techniques for Freshwater fishing

- Fishing tackles and supplies
- Catch and release techniques
- Through the gill hook removal tips
- How to cast

II. Tips and Techniques for Saltwater fishing

- Life jacket safety
- How to tie an improved clinch knot
- How to cast a spinning reel
- How to reel in big fish

III. Water Safety

- Safety for you and the fish
- Fishing in the sun
- Safety around water

IV. Fishing Careers

- Interview with an Inland fisheries biologist
- Coastal and Marine Extension agent interview

V. Cooking with Fish – recipes and demos

- Fileting your catch
- Fish nutrition
- How to cook fish
- Dinner Tonight fish recipes

VI. Fish Identification

- Bass comparison and identification
- Spotted seatrout
- Saltwater fish identification
- Identifying catfish
- Identifying panfish
- Fishing ID basics

VII. Freshwater and Saltwater Fish in Texas

VIII. Kahoot! Fishing Games to Play



YouTube location coming soon!

Also, follow us on FB! Educational videos will be posted on the **Texas 4-H Natural Resources** Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=texas%204-h%20natural%20resources>

New!

Responsible Handling of Fish

Not every fish is a "keeper." You may catch a fish that's under legal size or too big to fit in your cooler. You may land a magnificent trophy and decide to return it to the water so that you — or some other lucky angler — will have a chance to catch that fish again. Whatever your reasons for choosing live release, you want to give your fish the best possible chance of survival.

How to Begin

- Set the hook quickly to reduce likelihood that fish will swallow the bait.
- Play and land fish as quickly as possible. Playing fish to exhaustion can harm the fish.
- When fishing in deep water, bring fish in slowly to help it adjust to changing pressure.
- Consider using barbless hooks.
- Keep your release tools close by.

Handling Your Catch

Proper handling protects both you and the fish. Some fishes have sharp fins or teeth that can cut you. See Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) [Angler Education pages](#) for tips on how to handle different species.

- Minimize the time fish is out of the water (no longer than you can hold your breath.)
- Leave fish in the water if you can and use a tool to remove the hook.
- If possible, keep the fish from thrashing without using a net. If a net is required, use a rubber-mesh landing net instead of abrasive nylon.
- Avoid removing the slime/mucus layer, which protects fish from parasites and infections.
 - Try to keep fish off the ground or floor of a boat.
 - Use a wet rag or glove, or wet hands before handling fish.
 - Turn fish on its back and cover its eyes to calm it.
 - Don't put your fingers in the eyes or gills.
- Smaller fish (< 5 pounds) can be vertically held by the lower jaw, either by hand or with grippers. Hold larger fish horizontally and support with two hands.

Removing the Hook

- Use needle-nose pliers, hemostats, or a hook remover to remove the hook and protect your hands.
- Back the hook out the opposite way it went in.
- [Watch this video](#) to learn how to remove a hook embedded deep within the fish.
- For a larger fish in the water, slip a gaff around the leader and slide it to the hook. Lift the gaff upward while pulling downward on the leader.
- Do not jerk or pop a leader to break it. This can injure vital organs in the fish.

Letting it Go

- Place fish in the water, gently supporting the mid-section and tail until it swims away.
- Resuscitate an exhausted fish by moving it or facing it into the current, gently forcing water into the mouth and over the gills.
- Watch the fish when released. If it doesn't swim away, recover it and try again.

See complete information from Texas Parks and Wildlife at <https://tpwd.texas.gov/regulations/outdoor-annual/fishing/catch-release-tips>

Part II: Reel ‘em in Tournament Information

Follow the 5 steps below in numerical order to participate in the tournament portion of the skill-a-thon:

Step 1: 4-H Enrollment

- Be enrolled in 4-H as a youth member (3rd – 12th grades) or Clover Kid (K – 2nd grades) for the 2023-2024 year.
 - If you are not in 4-H, join by setting up your family profile on 4HOnline at <https://texas.4honline.com> or contact your local county Extension agent for assistance with enrollment in your county 4-H program.
- Not sure who is your county agent? Click this link to enter your county name and find contact information: <https://agrillifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/>

Step 2: Event Registration

Spring Event Dates

February 1	Regular registration opens
February 29	Regular registration closes
March 1-10	Check-it Stiks mailed to County Extension office for pick-up
March 1	Late registration opens
March 15	Spring Tournament Begins
March 31	Late registration closes
May 1	Video clip contest on 2024 theme is due (see page 1)
May 27	Spring Tournament Closes – post survey link opens
June 18	Official Placings Released – post survey link closes
June 25	Prizes Distributed

Spring Event Details

- February 1, 2024 – 8:00 a.m. - Registration will open on 4-H Online <https://texas.4honline.com>
- Select **2024 Texas 4-H Virtual Reel ‘em in - Spring** from the event list
 - Register and compete as an individual angler (4-H member or Clover Kid) (no team entries).
 - **4-H youth anglers (grades 3rd – 12th):** You may register for either division or both. The entry fee is per 4-H angler per division.
 - Freshwater Division: \$50 Regular Registration \$100 Late Registration
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Note: We are unable to issue any refunds once your payment has been submitted.

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 - Clover Kids do not earn a place on the FishDonkey leaderboard and DO NOT set-up a profile on the FishDonkey app.
 - There is no fee for their participation, however, they must be registered on 4-H Online.
- **March 31, 2024** – Last date to register to participate in the spring tournament. Only those registered on 4-H Online by the deadline will be eligible to participate.



Summer Event Dates

May 1	Regular registration opens
May 31	Regular registration closes
June 1-10	Check-it Stiks mailed to County Extension office for pick-up
June 1	Late registration opens
June 15	Summer Tournament Begins
June 30	Late registration closes
August 23	Summer Tournament Closes – post survey link opens
September 9	Official Placings Released – post survey link closes
September 16	Prizes Distributed

Summer Event Details

- **May 1, 2024 – 8:00 a.m.** - Registration will open on 4-H Online <https://texas.4honline.com>
- Select **2024 Texas 4-H Virtual Reel ‘em in - Summer** from the event list
 - Register and compete as an individual angler (4-H member or Clover Kid) (no team entries).
 - **4-H youth anglers (grades 3rd – 12th):** You may register for either division or both. The entry fee is per 4-H angler per division.
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 - There is no fee for their participation, however, they must be registered on 4-H Online.
- **June 30, 2024** – Last date to register to participate in the summer tournament. Only those registered on 4-H Online by the deadline will be eligible to participate.

Registration Gift

- *Registered 4-H members will receive a FREE official Check-it-Stik® if enrolled during the REGULAR registration period and if not previously received in a past 4-H fishing skill-a-thon.
- Registered Clover Kids will receive a 4-H fishing lure.

**4HOnline registration submitted, payment received and cleared, and FishDonkey judging app profile set-up.*

If you are a **Clover Kid**, SKIP TO STEP 4.

Step 3: Download Judging App

- After your payment has been accepted in 4HOnline, go to [FishDonkey](#) to download the app to your mobile device and/or computer.
- There is no fee for participants to use this app.



- Set up your profile in FishDonkey. Select the Division you choose in 4HOnline (Freshwater and/or Saltwater). If you registered for BOTH divisions, make sure you choose to participate in both.
 - 2024 Spring Texas 4-H Virtual Reel ‘em in – Freshwater
 - 2024 Spring Texas 4-H Virtual Reel ‘em in – Saltwater
- When setting up your profile, in the “Street 2” box, list the county of your 4-H club.
- On the app, use the tutorial to practice how to measure and upload pics.
- Questions? See FishDonkey App Tip sheets on the last page for additional information.

Step 4: Fish the Tournament – Judging Criteria under Rules & Guidelines

Spring Event

- On March 15, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. the app will open for you to begin uploading your pictures of your fish to be judged and posted to the official leaderboard.
- The spring tournament closes on May 27, 2024 at 11:59 p.m.

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Want to PLACE? Then Be Sure to Follow ALL Rules below! Violation of any rule listed will result in disqualification of the fish entered.

How to measure and photograph your fish for judging

- Fish must be photographed with an iphone, android or tablet, with the app open, and fish laying on a Check-It-Stik® brand measuring board. Only Check-It-Stik brand is accepted – no exceptions!
- Photograph must be clear and measurement on board must be legible.
- You may hold your fish on the board, just be sure to NOT cover the mouth and tail with anything that blocks these views. Mouth of fish must be closed. Beginning of snout or lower jaw of fish must be touching the front of the measuring board.
- Lay the fish on its side and pinch the tail fins together to get accurate length in photograph. If a spiny fin fish (catfish), lay the fish on its belly and turn the tail to the side to get accurate length.



- Fish longer than the length of a Check-it-Stik should be measured on the measurement board in conjunction with a tape measure from the start of the board to the end of the fish.
 - Do not run the tape measure under the fish – the whole tape from beginning to end of tail must be visible.
 - Pictures without a Check-it-Stik used as the starting point for measurement will not be judged.
 - You must use the **video feature** in FishDonkey to document the measurement of your fish from the nose to tail – move slowly to ensure all is captured in the recording.
- Photos must be taken with the FishDonkey app open as this will timestamp the photo when taken.
 - You may upload your pics from FishDonkey to the leaderboard as you take them or at a later date.
 - Don't have internet to upload at your fishing spot? No problem, remember they are timestamped when you take them in the app so you can upload from the app when you have internet or even from a computer. Just make sure they are all uploaded to FishDonkey before close of the tournament.
 - Pictures CANNOT be uploaded from your camera file. They MUST be taken within the FishDonkey app. We CANNOT accept photos emailed.
- Each photo submitted must also include a separate “hero” pic that documents the face of the youth participant with the fish caught (examples: posing, on measuring board, holding).

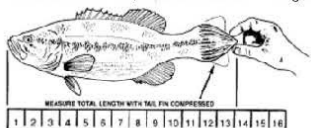
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Outdoor Annual > Fishing > Measurement Tips

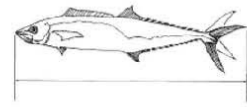
Measurement Tips

How to measure fish:

- Place the fish on its side with the jaw closed.
- For soft-tailed fish, squeeze the tail fin together to obtain the maximum overall length.



- For hard-tailed fish, turn the tail to obtain maximum length.



- Measure a straight line from the tip of the snout to the extreme tip of the tail fin.

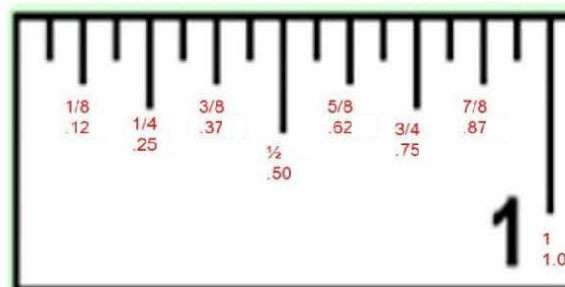


Example Hero Pic

New! Note: Mouth closed and tail-pinned according to TPWD. Be sure to follow this guideline.

How to Read an Inch in Decimals

- Enter the length of your fish in whole number and 2-digit decimal place, i.e. 10.25
- Do not round the numbers.
- The last black line that the end of the pinched tail touches is the measurement to be recorded.
- When fish are judged, the length you enter will be verified and confirmed. If length entered is more than documented, tournament judges will modify.



Reasons for Disqualification

New!

The numbers below (1-9) will be listed on the leaderboard comment section for feedback as to why a fish was disqualified.

1. Snout or jaw of fish not touching the front of the measuring board.
2. No hero picture submitted.
3. Mouth open (small gap between lips is permitted).
4. Unpinched tail fin according to TPWD guidelines.
5. Front of fish or front of measuring board not in photograph.
6. Blurry picture or cannot see measuring numbers in photo.
7. Not using a Check-It-Stik brand measuring board or using a tape measure only.
8. Evidence of fish caught by means other than rod and reel.
9. Any Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) violations noted in pictures. Example:
If picture of youth is taken in a boat on the water, the child is required to be wearing a personal flotation device (PFD).

Other

10. Fish lengths posted **less** than their actual length will be verified as that entry length.

Step 5: Complete the Post-Survey

**Important
Step!**

- A link and QR code will be emailed to 4-H participants to complete a short survey to tell us about your skill-a-thon participation experience. An optional survey will be provided adults via email to provide feedback on the program.
 - May 15-June 15 – spring tournament survey will be open for completion.
 - August 15-September 14 – summer tournament survey will be open for completion.
- Note: Awards and prizes will only be provided 4-H members in which fee has been received and post-survey completed (a reminder will be sent to you).

Supplies Needed for Participation

- Rod and reel
- Bait and/or lure
- Phone or tablet to take your fish pics in FishDonkey. Or you can take the pics with phone/tablet in FishDonkey and upload through your computer with internet
- Check-it-Stik® measuring board (can be purchased at Academy stores or via online shopping venues). Enroll during regular registration and you will receive one for FREE!
- Fish net (optional)



Check-it-Stik

Safety and State Fishing Regulations

- There are bag limits and length requirements for most fish caught in Texas. It is the responsibility of the angler to read and abide by these regulations. Be sure to follow all Texas regulations regarding fishing licenses, bag limits, length requirements and other rules <https://tpwd.texas.gov/regulations/outdoor-annual/fishing/>

- If you catch a fish that is shorter than the legal limits to keep, you MAY photograph and use in the tournament. However, as soon as possible after taking the photo, release the fish back into the water so that you are abiding by state fishing regulations.
- Each 4-H family entered is responsible for the safety of youth anglers during the tournaments.

Placings and Contests

- Unofficial individual placings will be posted on the contest leaderboards as fish are caught, posted, and verified by tournament director. You will be able to see your ranking in real time. Official placings will be emailed to participants after the close of the tournament.
- Each Division (Freshwater and Saltwater) has individual contests based upon species and judging criteria. See the attached Rules and Guidelines for specific information.
- In order to encourage a greater number of placings by individual youth, a two-placing limit will be used on all top 10 awards for each contest and division.
- A Texas 4-H Virtual Reel ‘em in Grand Champion for Freshwater and Saltwater will be announced at the end of the summer tournament on September 9th. The winner in each division will be determined on a grand total of inches of longest one fish of each species caught in the Slam contest in both divisions for spring and summer participation.
 - Saltwater Slam Grand Champion: longest trout + longest flounder + longest redfish caught in both the spring and summer tournaments. Prize: 4-H Fishing belt buckle
 - Freshwater Slam Grand Champion: longest bass + longest catfish + longest panfish caught in both the spring and summer tournaments. Prize: 4-H Fishing belt buckle

Awards and Prizes

- Awards and prizes will be mailed or emailed to the address listed in 4HOnline after completion of the Spring skill-a-thon and then after completion of the Summer skill-a-thon.
- All awards and prizes to be determined by the 4-H Fishing committee. Awards are determined by the number of individuals registered for this tournament.
- Prizes can be gift cards from Bass Pro, Academy, other fishing-based stores. Additional prizes such as fishing equipment, lures, bait, shirts, caps, and cash will be awarded from sponsors for specific contests.
- Awards and prizes will only be provided to 4-H members in which fee has been received and post-survey completed.
- Clover Kids participate for bragging rights and a certificate.
- Entry via 4-H Online gives permission to use the participant’s name and photograph as needed for marketing and promotion purposes.

Questions

- For 4HOnline and registration questions, contact Carolyn Walton at the District 5 office via email at carolyn.walton@ag.tamu.edu or by phone at 903-834-6191.
- For tournament or FishDonkey questions, contact Dr. Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Extension Program Specialist – District 5 via email at jlmcswain@ag.tamu.edu or by phone at 903-847-0598. Please leave a detailed message.

Sponsors

- The Texas 4-H program is very grateful to the sponsors of our virtual fishing program. This list is dynamic and will continue to grow as we secure additional sponsors.

• Program Sponsors for 2023:

- TG Industries
- Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation
- Life's Pursuit Outdoors
- Bonehead Tackle
- Sea Grant – Texas
- Tran Sport Boats Inc.
- Phillips Tackle
- Coastal Marsh
- Texas Saltwater Fishing Magazine
- Coastal Conservation Association Texas Star
- Flatsworthy
- Reel Wicked
- Fish Zone Tackle
- Nomad Design Bass Lures
- Waterloo Rod Company
- Down South Lures



Freshwater and Saltwater Division contest rules on following pages

Freshwater Division Rules & Guidelines

Species

- You may enter fish from any of the 3 species listed below for the Freshwater Division. **All fish must be caught by rod and reel** (no trotlines, noodles, etc.).
 - Bass: Largemouth, smallmouth, spotted, Guadalupe
 - Panfish group: black or white crappie, sunfish (warmouth, bantam, green, dollar, red spotted, redbreast, longear, redear, orangespotted, bluegill, and sunfish hybrids)
 - Catfish: channel, blue, flathead
- You may enter all of one variety or a combination of varieties for judging.
- See link below to learn how to identify specific fish species in Texas.
<https://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/water/aquaticspecies/inland.phtml>

Location

- Fish anywhere permitted by law (freshwater, ponds, stock tanks, rivers, lakes, etc.).
- Fishing from a pier, edge of pond/lake/river, or boat is allowed for this event As long as the location is permitted by law. If private land, ensure you have landowner permission to fish.

Length Limits by Species

<https://tpwd.texas.gov/regulations/outdoor-annual/fishing/freshwater-fishing/>

Freshwater Judging Contests – More Ways to Win!

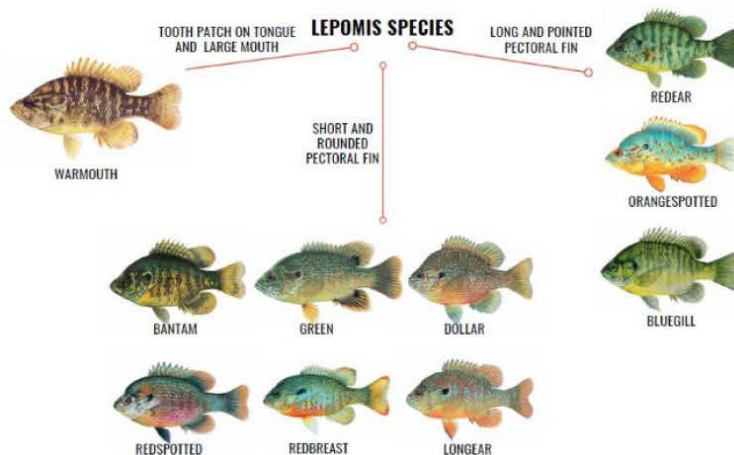
- Each of the pictures entered have multiple ways to qualify to win prizes.
- Each of the four contests have a separate leaderboard on FishDonkey. When you post the picture of your fish, it will automatically be entered into the contest in which it is eligible based upon species.
- The best part of FishDonkey is the app's ability to AUTO CULL your catches. Enter all your pictures and the system only adds your longest catch to the individual contest leaderboard.
- No need to upload your pictures for each individual contest.

Leaderboard Contests

- Longest
- Stringer
- Freshwater Slam
- Wild Card

Internal Contests

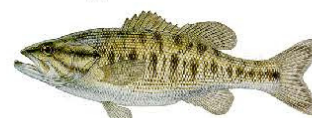
- Big Bass
- Video Clip – *Why We Should Not Litter Our Waterways*



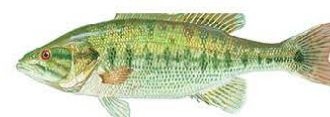
Smallmouth Bass



Largemouth Bass



Guadalupe Bass



Spotted Bass



Black Crappie



White Crappie



Channel Catfish



Flathead Catfish



Blue Catfish



1. Longest

Sponsor: TG Industries & Texas 4-H Foundation,
Information coming soon!

Species eligible: Bass and Catfish

Judging criteria: Length on Check-it-Stik

See *How to Measure Your Fish for Judging* on page 6.

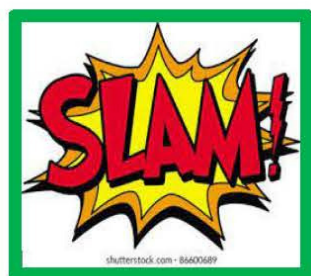
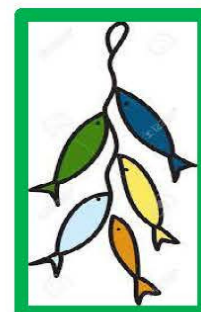


2. Stringer

Sponsor: Information coming soon!

Species eligible: Panfish

Judging criteria: Longest 5 panfish. Enter all your panfish pictures and the app will AUTO CULL your stringer for you, leaving the top 5 cumulative lengths as your entry.



3. Freshwater Slam

Sponsor: Information coming soon!

Species eligible: Bass, Catfish, Panfish

Judging criteria: Must enter at least one of each species to qualify to win in this contest (1 bass, 1 catfish and 1 panfish). Again, the app does the work for you. Just take the picture of the fish, enter its length and the program will select your longest bass, catfish and panfish to be entered into the Freshwater Slam contest.

4. Wild Card

Sponsor: Information coming soon!

Species: Bass, Catfish, Panfish

Judging criteria: Size does not matter for this contest! This is a random drawing from ALL pictures uploaded and verified in the Freshwater Division. One Wild Card drawing will take place at end of the spring and summer tournaments for each species and each division.



5. Overall Big Bass

Sponsor: Life's Pursuit Outdoors

Species: Bass

Judging criteria: Longest bass caught in EACH the spring and summer tournaments will be named 4-H Big Bass Winner. A replica of their big bass will be presented to each of these winners.

Tiebreaker: In the event of a tie, in any of the above contests, the earliest time entered will be used to determine the winner.

Saltwater Division Rules & Guidelines

Species

- You may enter fish from any of the 3 species listed below for the Saltwater Division. **All fish must be caught with a rod and reel.**



- Spotted Seatrout (*Cynoscion nebulosus*)
- Redfish (Red Drum) (*Sciaenops ocellatus*)
- Flounder (*Paralichthys sp.*)

- You may enter all of one variety or a combination of varieties for judging.
- See link below to learn how to identify specific fish species in Texas.

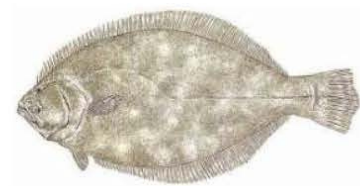
<https://www.takemefishing.org/fish-species/>

Location

- All waters within 9 nautical miles of the Texas Coastline as permitted by Texas law.

Length Limits by Species

<https://tpwd.texas.gov/regulations/outdoor-annual/fishing/saltwater-fishing/>



Flounder



Spotted Seatrout



Redfish (Red Drum)

Saltwater Judging Contests – More Ways to Win!

- Each of the pictures entered have multiple ways to qualify to win prizes. Each of the four contests below have a separate leaderboard on FishDonkey. When you post the picture of your fish it will automatically be entered into the contest in which it is eligible based upon species.
- The best part of FishDonkey is the app's ability to AUTO CULL your catches. Enter all your pictures and the system only adds your longest catch to the individual contest leaderboard.
- No need to upload your pictures for each individual contest.

Leaderboard Contests

1. Longest
2. Saltwater Slam
3. Wild Card
4. Spot Pot

Internal Contest

5. Video Clip – *Why We Should Not Litter Our Waterways*



1. Longest

Sponsors: Information coming soon!

Species eligible: Flounder, Spotted Seatrout, Redfish

Judging criteria: Length on Check-it-Stik/measuring board

See *How to Measure Your Fish for Judging* on page 3.

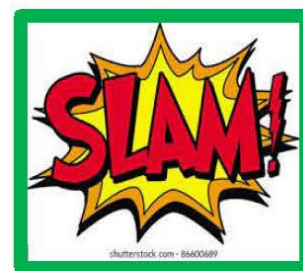


2. Saltwater Slam

Sponsors: Information coming soon!

Species eligible: Flounder, Spotted Seatrout, Redfish

Judging criteria: Must enter at least one of **each** species to qualify to participate in this contest (1 flounder, 1 seatrout and 1 redfish). Again, the app does the work for you. Just take the picture of the fish, enter its length and the program will select your longest flounder, seatrout, and redfish, to be entered into the Saltwater Slam contest.



3. Wild Card

Sponsor: Information coming soon!

Species: Flounder, Spotted Seatrout, Redfish

Judging criteria: This is a random drawing from ALL pictures uploaded and verified in the Saltwater Division. One Wild Card drawing will take place at end of the spring and summer tournaments for each species and each division.

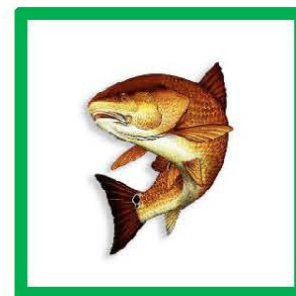


4. Spot Pot

Sponsor: Information coming soon!

Species: Redfish

Judging criteria: Enter the number of spots on ONE side of the fish as reflected on the side posted in the photograph.



Tiebreaker: In the event of a tie, in any of the above contests, the earliest time entered will be used to determine the winner.

Want to WIN? Then Be Sure to Follow ALL Rules on page 6 & 7! Violation of any rule listed will result in disqualification of the fish entered.

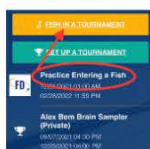
FISHDONKEY TIP SHEET

➔ How to Join in the FishDonkey App



1. Download the FishDonkey App
2. Tap Fish in A Tournament
3. JOIN: Spring Texas 4-H

➔ Practice



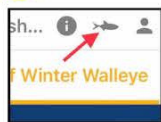
Join: PRACTICE ENTERING A FISH. Get familiar with the app's camera. This will ensure you've given the app proper camera permissions too.

Watch a 1 minute tutorial:
youtu.be/zuxh7FNukbA

We need your county Name!

Please tap on the profile icon in the top right corner of the app and fill in ADDRESS LINE 2 with your County name. Also add it to your LAST NAME, For example: Bryant - Bexar

➔ Digital Livewell / Photos



The fish icon is your Digital Livewell. It will show fish that are waiting to get on the leaderboard.

When you return to good reception, tap your livewell and leave it open. Tap the screen to keep it awake. Do this until all fish are RECEIVED.

➔ No Internet

Open the app before you head out. Tap on the name of your tournament on your FD home screen. That's it. Don't log out. Enter fish as normal. Your entries are held for safe keeping in your Digital Livewell.



➔ HOW TO ENTER A FISH

1. Tap the button ENTER A FISH / LEADERBOARD
2. That will open up your camera. Take your required pics by tapping on the camera icon.
3. When you are finished taking your pics, tap the checkmark.
4. Enter the species and the length of your fish.
5. Tap SUBMIT.

Don't panic if you cannot see your name or photos on the leaderboard. Often times, they come later. The Digital Livewell (fish icon) will show a record of your fish entries waiting to post.

➔ What do I do at the start?

Open the FishDonkey App, Home screen.
 Tap on the event name.
 Tap on Leaderboard.

➔ Required Documentation

1. Photo of fish on the measure board
2. Photo of you holding the fish

Support Number

Support@FishDonkey.com
 218.249.0847

2024 District 11 4-H Spring Spectacular

Schedule of Events

(TENTATIVE)

Day 1 – Thursday – April 4, 2024

Time	Event	Location
8:00am – 12:00noon	Quiz Bowl <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Holding Room ➤ Livestock ➤ Livestock ➤ FCH ➤ Horse 	
9:00am – 12:00noon	Fashion Show <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Int Buying & Construction ➤ Jr Construction ➤ Jr Buying ➤ Sr Buying/Construction/Natural Fiber 	
12:30pm	Consumer Decision Making Registration	
1:00pm – 4:00pm	Consumer Decision Making Contest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Junior Contest Room ➤ Int/Senior Contest Room ➤ Intermediate Reasons ➤ Senior Reasons ➤ Senior Reasons 	
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Public Speaking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Junior ➤ Intermediate ➤ Senior 	

Day 2 – Friday – April 5, 2024

Time	Event	Location
8:00am – 12:00noon	Educational Presentation Contest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Orientation ➤ Educational Presentations Room 1 ➤ Educational Presentations Room 2 ➤ Educational Presentations Room 3 ➤ Educational Presentations Room 4 	
9:00am – 12:00noon	Duds to Dazzle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Orientation/Contest Room ➤ Parent Holding Room ➤ Interview Room ➤ Interview Room 	
12:00pm	4-H Talent Showcase	
12:30pm – 4:00pm	4-H Talent Showcase <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 4-H Talent Showcase Room 1 ➤ 4-H Talent Showcase Room 2 ➤ 4-H Talent Showcase Room 3 	

2024 TEXAS 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

SENIOR 4-H MEMBERS

15 CATEGORIES

4HONLINE ENTRY: APRIL 1-15, 2024

\$250 PER BEST OF SHOW



See website for complete rules and eligibility:
<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/>

Lonestar 4-H Splash Camp

Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors are hosting the first-ever Lone Star 4-H Splash Camp for 6-8th grade students April 26-28 at the State 4-H Conference Center – Brownwood.

Registration opens today (February 5) and closes April 5 on the 4-H Conference Center website, <https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/>.

Cost for the camp is \$210. (see flyer attached)



Lone Star 4-H Splash Camp



presented by

Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors

April 26-28, 2024

Texas 4-H State Conference Center, Lake Brownwood



*** Open to 6th - 8th grade students ***

Take the plunge for a fun-filled weekend with the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors. Immerse yourself in hands-on and interactive water activities and expand your knowledge and appreciation of all things WATER. Make new friends and lasting memories!

Registration open February 5 - April 5 on the Texas 4-H @
<https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/>

Check-in: Friday, April 26 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Pick-up: Sunday, April 28 11:00 am

Cost: \$210 per camper
(includes 2 nights dorm lodging, meals, t-shirt, water bottle and activities)



Adult Chaperones Needed. (Chaperones may attend free of charge but must register and be approved Texas 4-H Adult Volunteers.)

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CAMP ACTIVITIES

Camp activities are led by Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors and Texas 4-H Conference Center staff. Activities will include:

- Water Fair
- Fishing
- Kayaking
- Seining
- Water model building
- High ropes course
- Dance & games
- & much more!



The Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program provides resources, means and opportunities for youth to learn, lead and teach others about water.
www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com

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UPCOMING SPRING AND SUMMER EVENTS

4-H NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM

- 4-H WILDLIFE & FISHERIES PROJECT WORKSHOP - COLLEGE STATION - MARCH 23
- WOODLAND CLINIC - NACOGDOCHES - APRIL 18
- FORESTRY PROJECT TRAINING FOR COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS - LUFKIN - APRIL 30-MAY 2
- 4-H WILDLIFE HABITAT (WHEP) STATE CONTEST - TBD - MAY 11-12
- 4-H WILDLIFE CHALLENGE (ROUNDUP) - COLLEGE STATION - JUNE 6
- 4-H OUTDOOR CHALLENGE - RICHMOND - JUNE 15-16
- WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CAMP - JOHNSON CITY - JULY 15-20

4-H NATURAL RESOURCES WEBPAGES:

[HTTPS://TEXAS4-H.TAMU.EDU/PROJECT-CATEGORY/NATURAL/](https://TEXAS4-H.TAMU.EDU/PROJECT-CATEGORY/NATURAL/)

4-H NATURAL RESOURCES FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM:

- [FACEBOOK.COM/TX4HNATURALRESOURCES](https://www.facebook.com/TX4HNATURALRESOURCES)

- [INSTAGRAM.COM/TX4HNATRES](https://www.instagram.com/TX4HNATRES)

Contact Larry Hysmith at lhysmith@tamu.edu with questions

CORE Academy

Mark your calendars for the 2024 CORE Academy. Explore the Stephenville and San Angelo areas with other high school youth as you explore career and leadership opportunities in diverse global economies while you learn about post-secondary degree institutions in Texas. The academy will take place June 17-21 and registration is due April 15th. See the attached flyer for more information and the link to register.

The Aggie Gold Horse Judging Contest will be held April 6th at the Brazos County Expo in conjunction with the Multi District 4-H Contest. Contestants who are already competing that day for their district horse judging contest are welcome to enter the Aggie Gold contest as well.



Impact

Creativity

PHOTOGRAPHY

Workshop

Composition

Story telling

Hosted by Julie Ana Gobert

Colorado County
Extension Office
316 Spring St.
Columbus, TX 78934

**Date TBD by
number of youth
interested.**

Registration:
jashae.carter@ag.tamu.edu
or 979-732-2530

Internship

The Extension Paid Summer Intern position has been posted to WD. Please recruit potential candidates to apply for this outstanding opportunity.

Click on the following link then scroll to “Extension Intern” or search for R-025295.
<http://Tx.ag/AgExtensionJobs>

One thing to note is the intern pay has been increased from \$10/per hour to \$13.00/per hour. The interns will continue to receive a \$300 allocation for travel.

For more information or to register, contact us:

Austin County 4-H

Kailyn Capps
979-865-2072

Calhoun County 4-H

Emilee DeForest
361-552-9747

Colorado County 4-H

Laramie Kettler
Jashae Carter
979-732-2530

Fayette County 4-H

Kayla Kaspar
979-968-5831

Karnes County 4-H

Eric Taylor
Megan Dennison
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San Patricio County 4-H

Cameron Younts
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Victoria County 4-H

Paige Melton
361-575-4581

Washington County 4-H

Kara Matheny
979-277-6212

Wharton County 4-H

Laura Reyna
979-532-3310



**Prestige Leadership
Conference
Partnerships**



Austin County 4-H

Calhoun County 4-H

Colorado County 4-H

Fayette County 4-H

Karnes County 4-H

San Patricio County 4-H

Victoria County 4-H

Washington County 4-H

Wharton County 4-H

**Adult Leaders Association
of each County**

***If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact your local Extension office by July 1, 2023.**

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**Prestige
Leadership
Conference**

2024



Prestige Leadership Conference

The Prestige Leadership Conference (PLC) is a multi-county effort put forth by Austin, Calhoun, Colorado Fayette, Karnes, San Patricio, Victoria, Washington, and Wharton County. PLC is offered to the County Council Officers of each participating county. The goals of the program are: 1) to implement the “Yea 4-H! Taking the Lead” curriculum to prepare the council officers for the leadership positions that they have been elected to; 2) to enhance the participants’ knowledge of their officer responsibilities and parliamentary procedures; and 3) to introduce the participants to participants from other counties in an effort to promote networking, partnerships, and to enhance their social skills. Upon completion, he/she will understand the qualities of a good leader and the traits that they must possess. They will also learn how to effectively conduct a club meeting. The knowledge and skills acquired during the Prestige Leadership Conference will not only benefit the participants, but also their county’s program. In each of our counties, the Council Officer Team is responsible for all county-wide activities, which includes the training of club officers. The impact of PLC will be observed through an evaluation and through their participation in their county.

PLC 2024 offers training in the following areas:

- Leadership and Communication
- Teamwork
- Basic Parliamentary Procedures
- Officer Responsibilities
- Organizing and Conducting Meetings
- Career Development
- Campus Tours
- Community Service Planning
- Recreation ideas
- And much more!

Prestige Leadership Conference 2024

Who:

2024-2025 County Officers in Austin, Calhoun, Colorado, Fayette, Karnes, San Patricio, Victoria, Washington, and Wharton Counties

When:

July 24-26, 2024

Where:

West Texas A&M
Canyon, TX

Cost:

\$275

Includes transportation, lodging, meals, snacks, t-shirt, evening activities, and training material



TEXAS 4-H *Talent Showcase*



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OBJECTIVES:

- To provide an opportunity for 4-H youth to develop a spirit of cooperation through working together to develop self-confidence through public appearance.
- To stimulate interest and encourage a broad-based recreation program in Texas 4-H at the club and county level.
- To encourage 4-H members to discover and develop their talents.
- To provide for social, cultural, and leadership development of 4-H youth.

Please visit our website:

[https://texas4-h.edu](https://texas4-h.edu/project-theater-and-performance-arts)
[project - theater and performance arts](#)

If you have questions pertaining to the rules for the state 4-H Talent Showcase contest contact your local County Extension Agent.

Texas 4-H Talent Showcase Contest Superintendent

Ms. Cory Hundl

Extension Program Specialist, 4-H Youth Development
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cory.hundl@ag.tamu.edu
Phone: 979-321-5262

Texas 4-H Talent Showcase Steering Committee:

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Associate Director, Rudder Theater Complex

Mr. Jarrett Hervey
Senior Stage Manager, Rudder Theater Complex

ART IS A PLACE
FOR CHILDREN TO
LEARN TO TRUST
their ideas.

THEMSELVES. AND TO EXPLORE
WHAT IS POSSIBLE.
—MARYANN F. KOHL

TEXAS 4-H TALENT SHOWCASE

Category Descriptions

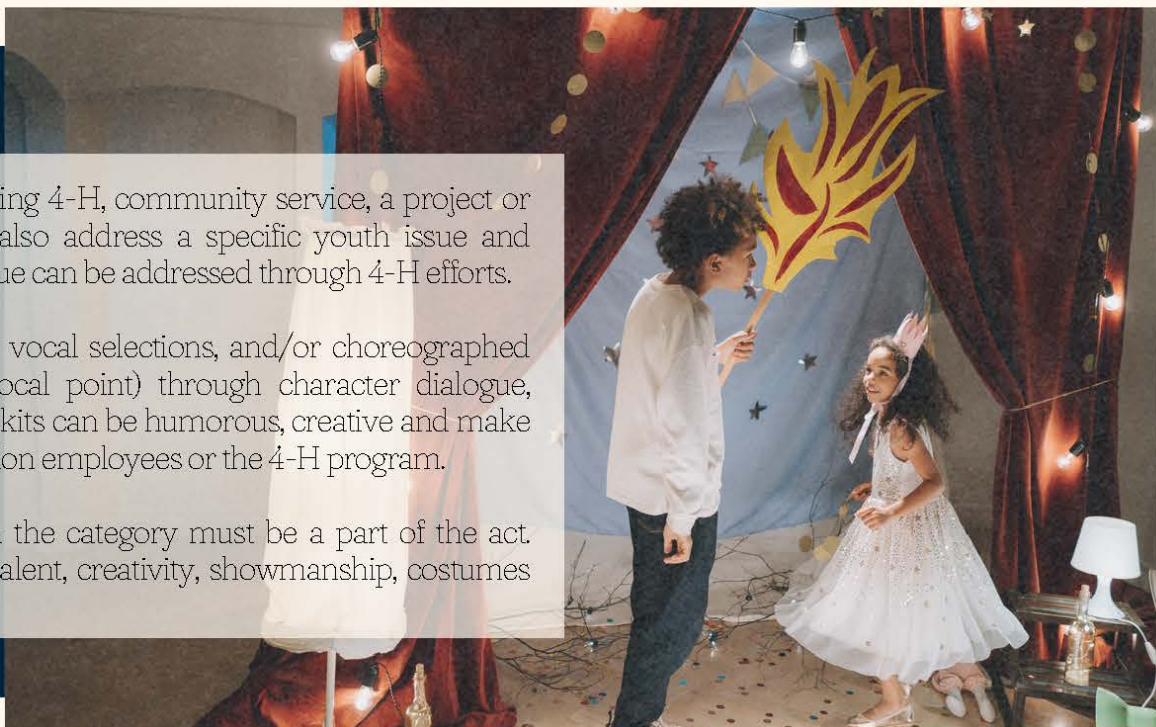
- All acts can consist of one (1) to nine (9) members
- Acts will have 4 minutes for set-up/tear down and 6 minutes for their performance.
- A penalty of five (5) points per minute or part of a minute over the time limits allowed will be deducted from the total score.

4-H SKIT

4-H based story line, promoting 4-H, community service, a project or activity. This category may also address a specific youth issue and present ways in which this issue can be addressed through 4-H efforts.

Acts may incorporate music, vocal selections, and/or choreographed routines (not the primary focal point) through character dialogue, interaction and storytelling. Skits can be humorous, creative and make fun of but not degrade Extension employees or the 4-H program.

All 4-H members entered in the category must be a part of the act. Judged on material chosen, talent, creativity, showmanship, costumes and props.



VARIETY SHOW

This is an **acting** category. Variety show, also known as variety arts or variety entertainment, is entertainment made up of a variety of acts including sketch comedy, magic, acrobatics, juggling, and ventriloquism and other acts that do not fit into the other six categories.

Acts cannot incorporate 4-H related material or theme. (Otherwise, it would be categorized as 4-H Skit.) Creativity is encouraged, but the degradation of any individual or organization is not permitted.

Acts may incorporate music, vocal selections, and/or choreographed routines, not the primary focal point. Judged on material chosen, talent, creativity, showmanship, costumes, and props.



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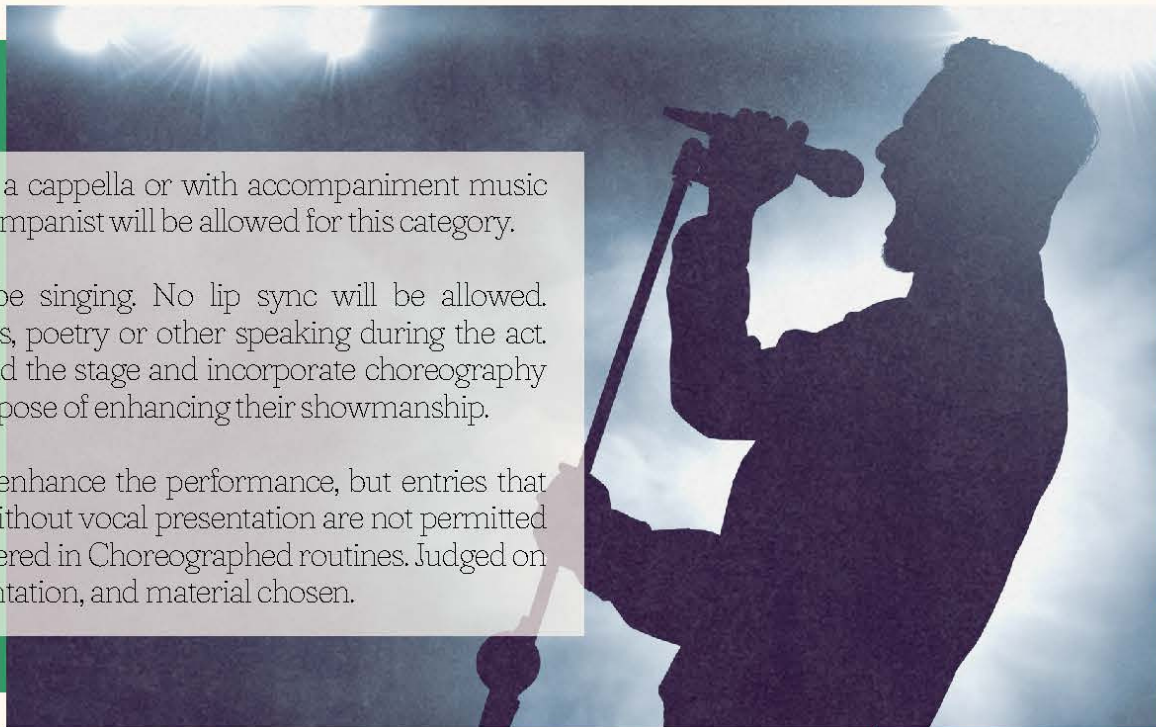
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VOCAL

Vocal presentation may be done a cappella or with accompaniment music (via a USB, mp3 or mp4). No accompanist will be allowed for this category.

All members in the act must be singing. No lip sync will be allowed. Contestants may not present skits, poetry or other speaking during the act. They may, however, move around the stage and incorporate choreography with their presentation for the purpose of enhancing their showmanship.

Sign language may be added to enhance the performance, but entries that strictly showcase sign language without vocal presentation are not permitted in this category. They must be entered in Choreographed routines. Judged on talent, showmanship, vocal presentation, and material chosen.



SOLO/ BAND

This act incorporates a combination of vocal and musical/instrumental talents. Acts that are vocal only or musical/instrumental only are not to be entered in this category.

All 4-H members entered in the category must be a part of the act by playing a musical instrument, singing, or both (solo performance must play an instrument and sing).

Participants **MUST** incorporate singing in the acts, but cannot incorporate skits, poetry, or prose. They may, however, move around the stage and incorporate choreography with their presentation for the purpose of enhancing their showmanship. Judged on talent, showmanship, musical presentation, vocal presentation when applicable, and material chosen.

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MUSICAL/INSTRUMENTAL

Musical presentation may be musical instruments accompanied by background recorded music or an instrumental performance only.

No accompanist will be allowed. All 4-H members entered in the category must be a part of the act by playing a musical instrument.

Participants may not sing or incorporate a skit, poetry, prose, or choreography with their act. Judged on talent, showmanship, musical presentation, and material chosen.



POETRY/PROSE

Acts which showcase poetry or prose are required. The act may NOT incorporate vocal, musical, and/or choreographed routine. This category does not require 4-H related material, however, if an original poem or prose piece showcasing 4-H is written, this would be acceptable.

Every 4-H member entered in the category must be a part of the performance on stage. All material must be memorized. No script may be used during the performance. Judged on material chosen, message, talent, presentation style, props/costuming.

Defining Poetry and Prose: Poetry is generally characterized by structured meter and rhyme that tells a story or provides a message to the reader. Prose is distinguished from poetry by its greater variety of rhythm and its closer resemblance to the patterns of everyday speech. Another description might be an excerpt from a larger piece such as a play or book.



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CHOREOGRAPHED ROUTINE

The act requires choreography which can be demonstrated through twirling, pom pom squad routines, jump rope teams, basketball dribbling exhibitions, or dance (jazz, tap, country & western, ballroom, etc.). No speaking to form a skit or story line.

Sign language presentations to music have been added to choreographed routines. However, if a participant is SINGING and SIGNING this entry should be entered in the Vocal Category.

All 4-H members entered in the category must be a part of the act. Acts may use recorded music (via a USB or digital means) but may not use an accompanist. Judged on material chosen, talent, creativity, showmanship, costuming, and material chosen.



QUALIFYING FOR TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP

Senior Division 4-H members only (9th to 12th grade)

- The first and second place district winners in each of the seven (7) categories qualify for Texas 4-H Roundup.
 - The first and second place entries in each category from District advancing to Texas 4-H Roundup may be from the same county. *If a county has an entry in each category at District and each win first or second, then they can all advance to Texas 4-H Roundup.*
 - Rule update of 2013: 4-H members MAY enter the same category in which they have previously been part of a first-place entry at Texas 4-H Roundup.
- **Participation on Both Days.** 4-H members will be able to participate in one 4-H Talent Showcase category on Wednesday (*Choreographed Routines, Variety Show, Musical/Instrumental, and Vocal*) AND one 4-H Talent Showcase category on Thursday (*4-H Skit, Poetry/Prose, and Solo/Band Performance*).
 - Choreographed Routines, Variety Show, Musical/Instrumental, and Vocal; there will be an optional walk-thru on Tuesday of Texas 4-H Roundup. This will also be the time for prop drop-off.
 - 4-H Skit, Poetry/Prose, and Solo/Band Performance; there will be an optional walk-thru on Wednesday of Texas 4-H Roundup. This will also be the time for prop drop-off.
- There will be an Online Orientation for all qualifying teams prior to Texas 4-H Roundup (two listening options to choose from) for all categories. Contestants will be notified via email in May with the link for the orientation.
- There will be an Awards Assembly on Wednesday night of Texas 4-H Roundup for Choreographed Routines, Variety Show, Musical/Instrumental, and Vocal and an Awards Assembly on Thursday night of Texas 4-H Roundup for 4-H Skit, Poetry/Prose, and Solo/Band Performance.

TEXAS 4-H TALENT SHOWCASE

Presentation Material. PARTICIPANTS MUST COMPETE WITH THE SAME MATERIAL AT ALL LEVELS OF COMPETITION – COUNTY, DISTRICT, AND STATE.

For example, you cannot choose one song for your act and then change songs between District and State. Acts may fine-tune performances based on critiques from county and district judging, but changing material completely is prohibited.

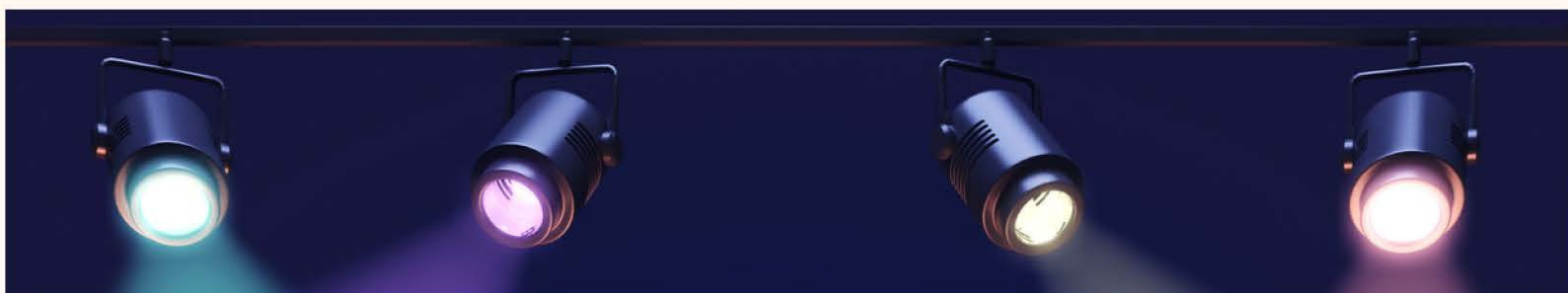


Introduction of the Act. Contestants do not need to introduce themselves. At Texas 4-H Roundup, each act will be introduced individually, immediately prior to their performance by the announcer. The introduction/description will be submitted as part of the Required Information Form that is due prior to Texas 4-H Roundup. Anything that needs to be said should be included in the introduction to be read by the announcers. A link will be provided to all advancing participants to provide the required information.

If you choose to add information in your act, it will count against your performance time and may confuse judges depending on the delivery method. This ruling may vary at County and District, so contestants should contact their County Extension Agent to determine what is appropriate for County and District performances.

Judges/Superintendent will determine the following (All decisions by the judges will be final)

- a. If an entry is in the correct category.
- b. Placings of all acts/performances.



Props. Regulations for props should be followed. Props utilized must be able to go through doors that are 6 ft. wide and 7 ft. tall. Each entry will be allowed to bring props that will be able to be stored in a space that is 3 ft. X 8 ft. Space at the state contest is LIMITED!

Prohibited Materials. The following materials may not be used in any category: talcum powder/baby powder, flour, pies, food, water, oil, loose feathers, flower petals, hay, straw, helium balloons, glitter, sand, confetti, open flames, or other substances which are hard to clean up, may cause damage, or be dangerous to participants. No roller skates, shoes with spikes, cleats, motorized vehicles or live animals will be allowed. Any prop resembling a firearm must receive prior approval.

The Rudder Stage Manager reserves the right to prohibit the use of any materials before or during the performance.

TEXAS 4-H TALENT SHOWCASE

Definitions of Terms for Score Sheets

The information below is a guide for scoring. Each term used on the score sheets is defined in an effort to clarify what is expected in each performance category. There is a score sheet for each of the six (7) categories.

Inappropriateness in any category is not permitted and would change the score of that particular area dramatically and could lead to disqualification. For example, a brilliantly executed skit that depends upon the use of foul language would not be acceptable. Any inappropriate reference to sex, age, or handicap will lead to disqualification.

- **MATERIAL CHOSEN** – This area refers to the appropriateness of the material selected. A vocalist should select the song that is within his/her voice range; a pianist should pass up the “showy” difficult piece for one he/she will play well. Material chosen also refers to the appropriateness of the selection for presentation before a 4-H audience. The target audience should be around 13 years of age and be PG or G rated.
- **TALENT** – This is the performer’s actual ability to do what the activity or skill requires. In any musical classification, this includes items such as the quality of music tones, intonation, manner of uttering tones with regard to rise, fall, pitch, harmony, rhythm and any other attributes of an artistic presentation. In choreographed routine, it includes rhythm, timing appropriate gestures, memorization and artistic delivery. Judges should be aware that some of the performers have not had formal training.
- **CREATIVITY** – Creativity is the ability to produce something new, unique, or original. An act may be original in the way it was developed and/or interpreted. Sometimes the act itself may not be original, but the costuming, staging, or delivery may show creativity. Additionally, the quality of the creativity should be measured.
- **SHOWMANSHIP** – Showmanship is the stage personality of the performer. It can include poise, confidence, facial expression, projection of voice, projection of music, body movements, gestures, and the performer’s stage presence, depending on the category (see score sheets for specific criteria). It is always the performer’s communication with the audience. It is his/her ability to make smooth entrances and exits, to avoid awkward pauses, and to acknowledge the applause of the audience. It is the use of the microphone and special stage props if these are a part of the act. In general, it is the whole personality of the performer while he/she is on stage. This term is used on several of the scoresheets and therefore the concept of showmanship will vary for each category.
- **COSTUME AND PROPS** – Costume and props should be appropriate and supportive of the act. For some acts, street clothes may be the most appropriate costume. If the special costumes are used, they should contribute to the effectiveness of the act. Props are the backdrop and/or other items used to add character and meaning to the presentation. See rules #8-10 under “General Rules & Information” for more details on the appropriate size of props and items that cannot be used.
- **MESSAGE** – Communication of an idea or theme. What is the underlying message that will be taught or presented?
- **PRESENTATION STYLE** – Method of acting; distinctive or characteristic manner; overall excellence; skill or grace in performance and/or appearance.
- **VOCAL PRESENTATION** – Exercising the power of producing voice, speech or sound, expressing one’s self as to relate to character or message being portrayed.
- **MUSICAL PRESENTATION** – Music selected is appropriate to the skill level of the individual or group; sound level of the musical presentation is at an appropriate level; instruments are tuned properly.
- **AUDIENCE APPEAL** – Evokes reaction from audience that is desired from the performance (laughter, clapping, serious, quiet)

Sample Act Descriptions

4-H Skit:	<p>Title: Hopeless Otis Paints the Town Green</p> <p>Description: Hopeless Otis and his side-kick Homer are invited to participate in a 4-H Community Service Project. His reluctance soon turns to active participation and interest as he learns that community service is more than just painting a house...it's touching the lives of those you help. Sit back and enjoy this humorous presentation by the Happy County 4-H Players from District 1.</p>
Choreographed Routines:	<p>Title: Texas Prairie Toe Tappin' Fun!</p> <p>Description: The Clover County Senior Dance Team from District 6 is dancing their way across Texas! This group has performed at local competitions, banquets and parades. Their presentation today will feature a medley of Texas Prairie Folk Dances with authentic costumes made by the clothing project team.</p>
Variety Show	<p>Title: Matthew the Magician</p> <p>Description: Now you see it, now you don't, Matthew from Green County, District 7 will amaze you with objects vanishing into thin air and then make them reappear. He has more tricks up his sleeve, so sit back and wait to be mesmerized.</p>
Musical/Instrumental:	<p>Title: Ye Olde Irish Tunes Make You Smile!</p> <p>Description: Jane Thompson, member of the Good Clover 4-H Club in Heart County, District 3, will perform a clarinet solo featuring "I'm Looking Over A Four Leaf Clover" and "Irish Eyes Are Smilin'", Irish pieces by Michael O'Grady.</p>
Poetry/Prose:	<p>Title: Shake, Rattle & Roll</p> <p>Description: Tommy Lee Pigg, member of the Shooting Stars 4-H Club in Sunshine County, District 8, will recite a blank verse rhyming poem entitled "Shake, Rattle & Roll" written by Henry Fickelwinker that displays an unusual twist on words.</p>
Solo/Band Performance:	<p>Title: Rockin' The 80's</p> <p>Description: Clover County, District 9 is taking us back in time to the 1980's with their medley of songs from cover bands from that era. This 6-member team of musicians and vocalists will wow you with their big hair and awesome performance!</p>
Vocal:	<p>Title: Marchin' With Maureen, The Jazz Queen!</p> <p>Description: Maureen Lucille Bordeaux will jazz it up New Orleans style as she sings "Oh When the Saints Go Marchin' In." Maureen is an 8-year 4-H member from Green County, District 7 and has been performing in her local church choir and school ensemble for 4 years.</p>

Rudder Theater Complex Information

Rudder Theater	Rudder Auditorium
Wednesday: <i>Variety Show, Musical/Instrumental</i> Thursday: <i>Solo/Band Performance, Poetry/Prose</i>	Wednesday: <i>Choreographed Routines, Vocal</i> Thursday: <i>4-H Skit</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Raised Stage: approximately 30' wide and 15' deep• Curtains will NOT open/close between acts• Theatrical lighting; no spotlights• Piano• Tables• Stools• Chairs• Microphones and inputs based upon individual needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Raised Stage: approximately 50' wide and 25' deep• Curtains will NOT open/close between acts• Theatrical lighting; no spotlights• Tables• Stools• Chairs• Microphones and inputs based upon individual needs• Floor microphones



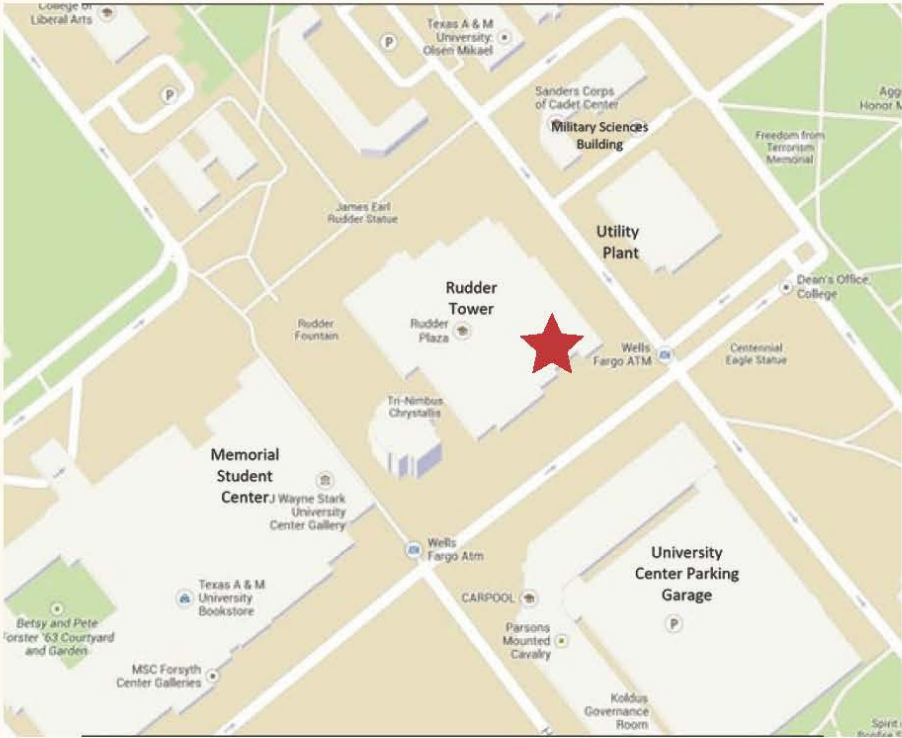
Dressing Rooms. Dressing rooms will be provided at Texas 4-H Roundup.

- Those performing in Rudder Theater (Solo/Band, Poetry/Prose, Musical/Instrumental and Variety Show) are located in the basement below the Rudder Theater. The entrance into the dressing rooms is in the hallway behind the theater where props will be stored.
- Those performing in Rudder Auditorium (4-H Skit, Vocal and Choreographed Routines) will use the dressing rooms behind the Auditorium Stage.

Map/Directions to Rudder Theater Complex Loading Dock

<http://aggiemap.tamu.edu/?Bldg=0446>

- Drive northeast on Joe Routh Boulevard (in between Rudder Tower and the University Center Parking Garage).
- Joe Routh Blvd will turn left and become Coke Street (one-way street).
- Coke Street will turn left and become Lamar Street (one-way street).
- Lamar Street will “T” into Throckmorton Street (one-way street). Turn left.
- (You will have just made the block around the Utility Plant and the Military Sciences Building.)
- The loading dock will be on your right before you come to the stop sign at the intersection of Throckmorton Street and Joe Routh Blvd.





Additional Talent Showcase Details



- NO Accompanist will be permitted for any category. If music is required, it must be submitted on the Required Information Form or performed by the contestant. See Category Descriptions for specific rules for each category.
- Practice/Warm Up. There will NOT be a location for warm-up or practice. 4-H members should rehearse and come prepared to present a top-notch performance. The Roundup schedule does not allow time for practice. A brief amount of time will be permitted to view stage, backstage, etc. at a designated time on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.
- Audience Participation. Acts are not allowed for a member of the audience to come up on stage or participate in a performance in any way. (Example: Magic Act – any help or assistance with a trick in the act; that helper must be a registered participant as a team member for that specific category/act.)
- Adult Assistance – Set-up. Only adult coaches and/or agents will be allowed backstage, in the vicinity of the storage area of props, and to assist the 4-H members with set-up and break down of props and equipment. 4-H members or other youth who are not a part of the team will not be allowed to assist with set-up or take down. One person should be designated by the group to work with the stage manager when it is your turn to set up for your performance. This person should know exact locations for all equipment, props, etc. on stage and be able to give clear instructions.
- Adult Assistance – Performance. During a performance adult coaches may give cues for music backstage and help with costume/prop changes backstage. They are NOT allowed to participate in any other form in the act while the act is going on. Any voices heard during the performance from backstage must be either a participant OR a recorded voice.

Texas 4-H Roundup Specifics

- Registration: Qualified youth will be required to register via 4-H Online, check with your county extension agent
 - All entries will be required to submit additional information via an online form that will be emailed to all qualifying participants
- Recording and Photos: No photography or videotaping will be permitted in any contest category. NO EXCEPTIONS. This includes photography and video of you own county entry.
- Awards: The top five placing entries in each category as determined by the judges will receive awards provided by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service / Texas 4-H Program.
 - Contest Awards assemblies times and location will be announced in late May
 - 1st Place entries will be provided the opportunity to perform at the evening assemblies.



2023 - 2024 District 11 4-H Calendar

2023			
Event		Location	Tentative Registration Info & Deadline
September			
September 1	Start of new 4-H Year!!!		
October			
October 1-7	National 4-H Week	Nationwide!	
October 7	Oneday 4-H	Statewide!	
November			
November 9-11	District 11 Crossroads	Brenham	4-H Online 2.0
December			
December 2	Coastal Bend Classic	San Patricio Co Fairgrounds, Sinton TX	Prereg recommended: d114-h.tamu.edu
December 13-14	D11 Food Show & Food Challenge	Cuero	4-H Online 2.0
December 14-16	D11 Archery Meet	Victoria	4-H Online 2.0
2024			
January			
TBA	D11 Shooting Sports Training		4-H Online 2.0
February			
TBA	District Wool Judging	HLSR	HLSR & 4-H Online 2.0
Virtual	D11 Photography (JR & INT)	Judging online	4-H Online 2.0
February 27	D11 Dairy Judging	HLSR	HLSR & 4-H Online 2.0
April			
April 6	Horse Judging	College Station	4-H Online 2.0
April 4-5	District 11 Spring Spectacular	Victoria	4-H Online 2.0
April 14-20	National Volunteer Week	Nationwide!	
TBA	D11 Mock Scholarship Interviews	3 locations in district	
April 20	Multi District Judging Contests	College Station	4-H Online 2.0
April 26-27	D11 Rifle Match	Victoria	4-H Online 2.0
May			
May 29-30	D11 Horse Show	Brackenridge, Edna TX	4-H Online 2.0
June			
June 3-6	Texas 4-H Roundup	College Station	4-H Online 2.0
June 12-14	D11 Leadership Lab	Mckinney Roughs, Cedar Creek, TX	4-H Online 2.0
July			
July 9	D11 Junior Leadership Lab	TBA	4-H Online 2.0
July 11	D11 Recordbook Judging	Various Locations	4-H Online 2.0
July 16	D11 Coastal Bend 4-H Sportfishing Day	TBA	4-H Online 2.0
August			
August 5-8	TAE4-HYDP Conference	Granbury, TX	
August 13-14	State Recordbook Judging	Judging online	4-H Online 2.0
August 25	D11 Shooting Sports Leader Meeting	Victoria Co 4-H Activity Ctr.	

4-H Natural Resources

Woodland Clinic – This is an ongoing contest coordinated by the Texas Forestry Association and open to 4-H and FFA members. Since our 4-H Forestry Invitational has declined over the years and disappeared as a state contest, we are now joining with the Woodland Clinic and considering it our state 4-H Forestry project event. This event has been in place for many years with a knowledgeable group of professionals running it, 4-H members have been attending for years, and there is a scholarship award attached. The 1st place 4-H Senior Team will also be eligible to attend the 4-H National Forestry Invitational. All good reasons to join an effort already in place and operating well. Details will be posted on the 4-H Forestry webpage (<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/forestry/>).

Wildlife Conservation Camp – This camp for high school aged youth is focused on wildlife and their habitats within the 10 ecoregions of Texas. Days will be filled with hands on education in the field, classrooms, and labs learning about wildlife biology and ecology along with habitat management techniques and habitat and wildlife survey practices. The camp is sponsored by the Texas Chapter of the Wildlife Society and will be held this year on the Bamberger Ranch outside of Johnson City. Full details will be posted on the 4-H Wildlife & Fisheries webpage (<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/wildlife-fisheries/>).

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!

2024 Spring Shooting Calendar

January 2024							Feb 2024 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1 New Year's Day Holiday: CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	2 Holiday: CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	3 Holiday: CISD, RCISD In-Service: SAS, WISD	4 Holiday: CISD, RCISD	5 Holiday: CISD, RCISD	6	
7 Rifle Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	8 In-Service: CISD, RCISD	9	10	11	12	13	
14 Rifle Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	15 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday: CISD, RCISD In-Service: SAS, WISD	16 Archery Postal League Fairgrounds 6:45-8:00 pm	17	18	19	20	
21 No Shooting THSS Weekend	22	23 Archery Postal League Fairgrounds 6:45-8:00 pm	24	25	26	27	
28 Rifle Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	29	30 Archery Postal League Fairgrounds 6:45-8:00 pm	31				

February 2024						
◀ Jan 2024					Mar 2024 ▶	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Groundhog Day Austin County Rifle Invitational Rosenberg, TX	3 Austin County Rifle Invitational Rosenberg, TX
4 Rifle Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	5	6 Archery Postal League Fairgrounds 6:45-8:00 pm	7	8	9	10
11 Rifle Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	12	13 Archery Postal League Fairgrounds 6:45-8:00 pm	14 Ash Wednesday	15	16 La Ward Rifle Invitational Lolita, TX	17 La Ward Rifle Invitational Lolita, TX
18 No Shooting THSS Weekend	19 Washington's Birthday Holiday: SAS, SMS In-Service: CISD, WISD, RCISD	20 Archery Postal League Fairgrounds 6:45-8:00 pm	21	22	23 Goliad County Rifle Invitational Goliad, TX	24 Goliad County Rifle Invitational Goliad, TX
25 Rifle Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	26	27	28	29		

March 2024						
◀ Feb 2024					Apr 2024 ▶	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Victoria County Rifle Invitational Victoria, TX	2 Victoria County Rifle Invitational Victoria, TX
3 Rifle/Pistol Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	4	5	6	7	8 Int'l. Women's Day Bee County Rifle Invitational Beeville, TX	9 Spring Fever Caldwell, TX Bee County Rifle Invitational Beeville, TX
10 Daylight Saving Begins No Shooting	11 Spring Break CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	12 Spring Break CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	13 Spring Break CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	14 Spring Break CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	15 Spring Break CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	16
17 St Patrick's Day No Shooting THSS Weekend	18	19 Start of Spring (Spring Equinox)	20	21 THSS Trailhead Event	22 Colorado Co Rifle Invitational Rosenberg, TX THSS Trailhead Event	23 Colorado Co Rifle Invitational Rosenberg, TX THSS Trailhead Event
24 No Shooting THSS Trailhead Event	25	26	27	28 Holy Thursday	29 Good Friday Holiday: CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	30
31 Easter No Shooting						

April 2024						
◀ Mar 2024						May 2024 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Holiday: CISD, WISD, RCISD, SAS, SMS	2	3	4	5 Friends of Flint Rifle Invitational Victoria, TX	6 Friends of Flint Rifle Invitational Victoria, TX
7	8	9	10	11	12 Austin County Rifle Invitational Rosenberg, TX	13 Austin County Rifle Invitational Rosenberg, TX
14 Rifle/Pistol Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	15 Tax Day (Taxes Due)	16	17	18	19	20 Extravaganza Brownwood, Texas
21 No Shooting THSS Weekend	22 Earth Day	23	24 Administrative Professionals	25	26 Arbor Day District 11 Rifle Match Victoria, TX	27 District 11 Rifle Match Victoria, TX
28 Rifle/Pistol Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	29	30				

May 2024						
◀ Apr 2024						Jun 2024 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 Cinco De Mayo Rifle/Pistol Project Gunsmoke range Squadded	6	7	8	9	10	11 Myers Memorial Shoot Caldwell, TX
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16 School Ends: WISD	17	18 Armed Forces Day
19 No Shooting THSS Weekend	20	21	22	23 School Ends: CISD, RCISD, SAS	24 School Ends: SMS In-Service: CISD, SAS, RCISD	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

June 2024						
◀ May 2024						Jul 2024 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Rifle Roundup Victoria, TX (tentative)
2 Rifle Roundup Victoria, TX (tentative)	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day	15
16 Father's Day	17	18	19 Juneteenth	20 Summer Solstice (Summer Begins)	21	22
23 4H Shooting Sports National Championships	24 4H Shooting Sports National Championships	25 4H Shooting Sports National Championships	26 4H Shooting Sports National Championships	27 4H Shooting Sports National Championships	28 4H Shooting Sports National Championships	29
30						

July 2024						
◀ Jun 2024						Aug 2024 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Indep. Day	5	6
7 4H Shooting Sports Texas State Games RPMH Check-in Baird, TX (tentative)	8 4H Shooting Sports Texas State Games RPMH Baird, TX (tentative)	9 4H Shooting Sports Texas State Games RPMH Baird, TX (tentative)	10 4H Shooting Sports Texas State Games RPMH Baird, TX (tentative)	11 4H Shooting Sports Texas State Games RPMH Baird, TX (tentative)	12 4H Shooting Sports Texas State Games RPMH Baird, TX (tentative)	13
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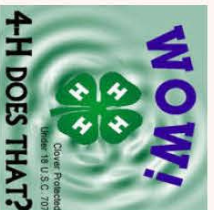


How to Join A 4-H Club

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.

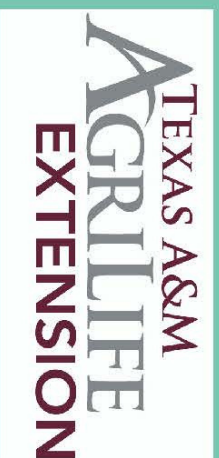
Step 2. Attend and participate in meetings and activities to learn all you can about the club, their activities, and 4-H!

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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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 2023-2024

Colorado County 4-H Council

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

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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 4th Sunday of each
month Weimar United Church of Christ @ 4:00 p.m.

Nicole Goldman, Club Manager,

nicolemorellgoldman@gmail.com

832-294-3464

Whispering Oaks 4-H Club

Meets 1st Monday of the month First Baptist
Church of Eagle Lake @ 5:30 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 2023-2024

Julie Ana Gobert, Chairman

Brooke Wanjura, 1st Vice Chairman

Jack Dudensing, 2nd Vice Chairman

Colten Koy, 3rd Vice Chariman

Lana Potter, Secretary

Jase Rau, Treasurer

Brina Kent, Reporter

Kase Weishuhn, Parliamentarian

Council Meetings

4-H Council Meetings are open to all youth members!!
Council meets bi-weekly, next council meeting will be held: March 18, 6:30 p.m.

This will include Easter Basket community service.
Check with your club manager for a list of items that you can bring to the meeting for Easter Baskets. We will be giving out 75 baskets.

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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 happenings will be posted on the “Colorado County Extension website. Find the page by going to: <http://Colorado.agrilife.org>.

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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

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/>
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