



Lubbock County 4-H News



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4-H ENROLLMENT REMINDER

With the changes as of September 1, an enrollment fee of \$30 per year is now required for all 4-H members. (Clovers pay a \$10 enrollment fee.) Enrollment is now done only “on-line” through 4-H Online. Youth may join at any time through this online process. Please remember that to compete or participate in any 4-H project meeting, activity, club meeting or contest – all youth must be official 4-H members.

DISTRICT GOLD STAR BANQUET RECOGNIZES WINNERS

District 2 Gold Star winners were recognized at the 65th Annual Gold Star Awards Banquet on October 21 at the Eberly Brooks Center. Lubbock County 4-H’ers recognized were: Jayton Ayers, Reese Bading, Brynlee Edwards and Kyndra Messer. Patti Messer was also recognized as the Distinguished Leader Award recipient.

4-H TEENS

Teen Council

All Lubbock County 4-H’ers, age 13 and older, are invited to participate on the Lubbock County 4-H Teen Council. The Council is made up of officers elected from the prior years membership, delegates from each 4-H club in Lubbock County, and any other youth who are interested in participating in Council activities. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, January 27 at 6:30 p.m.** at the County Extension Office, 916 Main, Suite 401. For February, we will participate in the community service activity serving as hosts at the Meals on Wheels Mardi Gras in February, there will not be a regular monthly meeting.

To assist with the Meals on Wheels Community Service, 4-H’ers must sign up at the January meeting.

If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Ronda Alexander at 806-775-1740 at least 2 weeks prior to the program or event.

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4-H CLOVER PROJECT MEETING

We have made some changes to the Lubbock County 4-H Clover program. We will have a quarterly 4-H Clover Newsletter emailed to all 4-H Clovers; and will also offer quarterly clover project meetings, as well as other activities clovers can participate in throughout the year. Our next Clover meeting will be held on Monday, **February 24** at 5:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office.

4-H PARENT LEADERS ASSOCIATION

Membership of the Lubbock County 4-H Parent Leader's Association is open to all parents, adults and leaders, and anyone else interested in the Lubbock County 4-H program. Many important activities and events are planned and discussed at these meetings. Your attendance and participation will ensure that you are aware of all of these happenings. The 4-H Program is dependent upon our parents and leaders to keep going; we need your assistance and input at these meetings. Meetings are normally held on the 3rd Monday of every month. Our next meeting will be held on **Monday, January 27 at 6:30 p.m.** at the County Extension Office, 916 Main Suite 401. We will not meet in February.

CLUB MANAGERS

We will have a 4-H Club Manager Training on Tuesday, **February 4 at 6:30 p.m.** at the County Extension Office.

4-H PARENTS ATTENDING STATE 4-H ROUNDUP

At the September 2020 4-H PLA meeting, a new rule was instigated requiring parents attending State 4-H Roundup to work at least 2 4-H fundraisers in order to have some expenses paid by PLA. Official 4-H Parent chaperones will be reimbursed up to \$100 for gas (receipts required), hotel rooms (2-3 assigned per room) and registration. Eligible 4-H PLA fundraisers include: the Lamb/Goat Jackpot, the 4-H Barnyard and the 4-H Concession Stand. Please contact Ronda if you have questions.

2024-25 LUBBOCK COUNTY 4-H COMMUNITY SERVICE CHALLENGE

Hopefully everyone is keeping their log sheet for the 2024-25 Lubbock County 4-H Community Service Challenge! We have gained a sponsor for the Challenge: Peoples Bank. They will be providing funds to pay for gift cards that will be drawn for at the County Achievement Banquet for those who meet the challenge. The updated challenge sheet is included with this newsletter.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Aubrey W. Russell 4-H Scholarship

The Aubrey W. Russell Scholarship is a \$600 scholarship to assist a worthy District 2 4-H member to attend a Texas college or university; to major in home economics/health care or a related field. An additional scholarship(s) may be awarded if there are two or more eligible applicants and contributions are adequate. The scholarship is awarded as follows: \$300 for the Fall semester following the judging, and \$300 for the Spring semester following judging.

Donors:

This scholarship fund is made up of voluntary contributions from Family and Community Education Clubs, individuals, and other groups in the Extension South Plains District (2).

Eligibility:

1. Has completed or is enrolled in the third year of 4-H in the South Plains District.
2. Has not previously won this scholarship.
3. Plans to major in home economics or related field, including education, food technology, or pre-nursing.
4. Plans to attend (or is attending) a Texas college or university that offers a pre-home economics degree or bachelor's degree in home economics or related field, as mentioned above.
5. Plans to attend the Fall and Spring semesters following scholarship judging.
6. Meets entrance requirements at the selected college or university.

Materials to be Submitted:

1. A completed 2025 Aubrey W. Russell 4-H Scholarship Application Form (abbreviated copy). Available from the Extension Office.
2. One copy of high school transcript or college transcript, if applicable.

Due Date:

The application materials are due to the Lubbock County Extension Office by *February 1, 2025*. Let us know if you are interested.

TX 4-H Foundation Scholarship

Texas 4-H Scholarship applications are due online on the 4-H Scholarship Portal by *February 15*.

Qualifications for submitting a 4-H Foundation Baccalaureat Scholarship application include: Texas resident who will graduate from a Texas high school during the 2024-25 school year, has passed the TAAS/TASP test and plans on attending a Texas college or university. If you have any questions, please give us a call. A completed FAFSA is also required.

There are two other categories of 4-H Foundation Scholarships. These include: Technical-plan to attend a

technical school for specialized training; and Courageous Heart - nominated by an individual or leader, must have documentation of overcoming a life obstacle such as medical, family or education (may not be nominated by a relative). Please contact Ronda if you need assistance or have questions.

4-H Scholarship Preparation Meeting

We will have a scholarship help meeting on Monday, **January 27** at 5:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office. If you need assistance in preparing your application for this year.

TEEA 4-H Scholarship

The Texas Extension Education Association is once again offering on \$1,000 scholarship in each Extension district (total of 12) for deserving Texas 4-H members. The eligible requirements for those applying are:

- Be a United States citizen.
- Be currently an active senior 4-H member in good standing with county 4-H program for the last four (4) years.
- Demonstrate leadership and personal development through 4-H.
- Will attend an accredited institution of higher learning: university, community college, trade or technical school in fall following judging.
- Have not passed 19th birthday before January 1 of current year.
- Have not previously received the State TEEA scholarship.
- Complete a Texas 4-H Recordbook (updated through previous year's Texas 4-H Recordbook judging deadline).
- Complete TEEA 4-H Scholarship Application and provide other required materials.

Application submission process includes:

1. Postmarked on or before *February 15*, submit to the county AgriLife Extension office in a manila envelope:
 - ❖ Envelope labeled with the applicant's name and county.
 - ❖ Only a black and white copy of Texas 4-H Recordbook from the previous year's Texas 4-H Recordbook judging deadline of August 31 accepted.
 - ❖ Official high school transcript with ACT and/or SAT scores included.
 - ❖ Completed TEEA 4-H Scholarship Application.
 - ❖ Two letters of recommendation: one from a county Extension agent or 4-H club manager and one from a teacher, employer, or community leader (not a relative).

2. If the applicant wants these materials returned, include a postage-paid, self-addressed envelope and letter of request.

Deadline for submission to County Extension Office is *February 15, 2025*.

Additional information and application for this scholarship and for all Texas 4-H Scholarships are posted on line at: <http://teea.tamu.edu/manual/chapter12.pdf>

TEEA Alumnae Young Adult Scholarship

The number of scholarships and the amount are dependent on availability of funds. Funds for the scholarship are raised by donations, memorials, and fundraisers by members of the Alumnae Committee. Anyone may contribute to this scholarship fund.

General Information

1. The applicant must be a former 4-H member **or** the son/daughter or grandson/granddaughter of a current TEEA member.
2. The applicant must be between the ages of 19 and 24 at the time of application.
3. Applications are available from County Association Chairs, District Directors, and the Chair of the Alumnae Committee. A copy of the application is also located in the TEEA Manual (Chapter 12) and on the TEEA website (<http://teea.tamu.edu/manual/chapter12.pdf>).
4. Applications are due by *March 1* to the Chair of the TEEA Alumnae Committee.
5. Applications will be judged at the TEEA Spring Board meeting and winners will be notified after the meeting.
6. The applicant must remain a full-time student, or the amount will be returned to TEEA.
7. The scholarship may be applied for use at the beginning of the school semester and used as needed.

Lubbock County Parent Leaders Scholarship

The Lubbock County Parent Leaders Association and South Plains Fair are sponsoring a Scholarship program for 4-H youth completing their Senior High School year. These applications are due to the County Extension Office the same time record books are due. The information needed covers three years of your Senior 4-H career with the final year being your Senior High School year. If you did not receive a form, or have misplaced yours, contact the County Extension Office to receive another form. The form is your responsibility to complete the required items and to keep track of.

2024-2025 ABC Rodeo Sweethearts Application

If you would like to apply to be an ABC Rodeo Sweetheart, please contact the Extension Office and we will provide you with the application. Applications are due January 17, 2025.

2025 AWARDS PACKET

The Lubbock County 4-H Awards Packet is available now on the Lubbock County website, under 4-H then scroll down to Publications. The packet includes information about available awards as well as guidelines. Please review the packet, noting that Recordbooks (what you submit to be considered for an award) are due *June 16, 2025*. Several Recordbook trainings will be held this Spring to assist you in completing a recordbook - be on the lookout for these upcoming dates.

4-H RECORDBOOKS

A beginner's training has been scheduled for **Thursday, February 6 at 5:30 p.m.** at the County Extension Office. Trainings will be scheduled once a month for March, April, May and June. Club managers are also welcomed to schedule a training just for your club members. *Please RSVP to CEO (775-1740) noon on February 5 if you plan to attend.*

An Advanced Recordbook Training will be held on **Thursday, February 6** at the CEO at 7:00 p.m. This training is for those who have several years of practice with Recordbooks and want to have a more competitive Recordbook - as well as for Senior 4-H Competitions. There are no changes to Recordbooks this year.

LUBBOCK COUNTY 4-H ON-LINE

If you lose your 4-H newsletter, there's still hope. You may now access the 4-H newsletter as well as various other sources of information at: <http://lubbock.agrilife.org/>

ARE YOU A MEMBER ?

The Texas 4-H Friends and Alumni Association would like to have you as a member! To find out more about them, visit www.texas4hfriends.org

SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Camping at the Texas 4-H Center

Summer camp registration is live!!! Early bird prices are now available. Please reference their website for more information on these camps. Some camps are phrased and marketed differently, but the core programming is still a Texas 4-H Camp! Give the gift of camp this year!

Link for more information- [Youth Camps & Retreats - Texas 4-H Center - Lake Brownwood](https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/)
<https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/>

Link to register- [Texas 4-H Center Registration Management](#)

https://apps.ideal-logic.com/texas4hcenter?key=T6DM-JF52T_K9KH-5PTF_a6c5cedca76f

NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE - Arlington, Virginia

National 4-H Conference is the pinnacle experience in 4-H Civic Engagement, providing the opportunity for young people to connect, learn, engage, lead and impact their communities, nation and world. At the conference, delegates will have the opportunity to participate in round table discussions and present to federal partner agencies along with the opportunity for delegates to engage with their U.S. Senators and Representatives.

Land-Grant University 4-H Departments send delegations of 4-H youth between ages 15 and 19 to participate in the National 4-H Conference. Delegates work together in the four weeks prior to the conference to prepare briefings on important topics. During the conference, delegates will virtually present their prepared briefings to federal officials in Washington, D.C. 4-H youth also have the opportunity to engage in personal development experiences that increase their knowledge, resources, and skills while discussing topics affecting youth and 4-H programming nationwide.

Delegates not only learn while at the conference: they are empowered to create positive social change in their communities and have the opportunity to practice and apply their skills in a real-world setting.

Applications for youth to participate in the 2024 National 4-H Conference on April 11-16, 2025, in Arlington, VA will open on 4Honline today, December 18, 2024. Youth must be 15 – 19 years old to attend. Attached is the announcement for Texas 4-H members. Applications will close on January 8, 2025, the delegation will be announced mid-January 2025.

Want to know more about Texas 4-H members experience? See the story linked here about last years delegation: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/blog-post/civic_engagement/

4-H PROJECTS



CLOTHING AND TEXTILES PROJECT

Clothing Leader Training

The 4-H Clothing Project Leader Training will be held on **Tuesday, January 28 at 6:30 p.m.** at the County Extension Office. Our training topic will be "Clothing Project Ideas and Activities." Plans for clothing project

activities will be made at this time as well as training ideas for working with clothing project participants. If you are interested in helping to plan the project activities be sure to attend the meeting. If you can't attend the meeting, let Ronda know any suggestions that you have.

4-H Clothing Project Opportunities

Who doesn't enjoy new clothes! The 4-H Clothing Project provides the perfect opportunity for youth to learn about clothing selection and care. For those who enjoy being creative, this project provides opportunities to develop design and construction skills. So whether you want to get the most for your clothing dollars at the ready-to-wear store or want to learn to sew in order to make your own creations, the 4-H Clothing project is for you!

4-H Fashion Show

The District 2 Fashion Show *for juniors, intermediates and seniors* will take place on the evening of **Monday, April 21**. Participants model a garment that they have made or purchased. It is possible for twenty-two Lubbock County 4-H'ers to advance to district!

The District Duds to Dazzle Contest will be held during the day on **April 21** in Lubbock.

Participants from the County Fashion Show will advance to the District Competition. The **County Fashion Show** is tentatively scheduled to be held in March. More info will be sent when all plans are finalized.

The entry divisions include:

Construction: garments made by sewing, knitting, or crocheting.

Buying: clothing purchased at a department store, specialty store, in a catalog, outlet or resale store, or from a professional seamstress.

The categories for this year are:

Construction: Casual Everyday Living

Re-Fashion

Semi-Formal/Formal

Theater/Costume Garment

Buying:

Business/Interview Attire

Fantastic Fashions under \$25

Semi-Formal/Formal

Special Interest

Texas 4-H Fashion Storyboard Contest

The Fashion Storyboard is a version of the presentation boards that are used in the fashion industry for selling and communicating ideas. The purpose of the Fashion Storyboard Contest is to give 4-H members an opportunity to create illustrations of their original design and display their work in a storyboard format, similar to that used in the fashion industry. Through project work, the 4-H member has the opportunity to gain knowledge of the career responsibilities of a fashion designer and illustrator,

enhance creativity and originality and develop visual communication skills.

The Clothing Project Newsletter will be mailed late January and will contain details about due dates for the Storyboard contest and Fashion Show.



4-H PHOTOGRAPHY INFORMATION

For the county Photography contest, participants may simply submit a regular size print of the photo (4x6) - Guidelines for District and State will be provided to those advancing on. Mounting is not required for County. Please see the Participant Photography Guide on our county website for entry categories. First place entries at the county contest advance directly to State for Seniors; and District for Junior and Intermediates.

Our County entries will be due *March 24*. Winners in the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Categories will advance to the District Contest which will have entries due *in May*. Senior entries will also advance to State and be due to State by *April 15*.

4-H Photography Project Orientation

We will have a 4-H photography project orientation meeting on **Tuesday, February 18** at 6:00 p.m. at the County Extension Office. We will review the categories for the County, District and State competitions as well as basics for submitting entries. We will also set dates, plan the project meetings and activities that will be done as a part of the photography project. All scheduled activities will be shared in the next 4-H Email Update.



Ask to join the Lubbock 4-H Livestock Facebook group.

HORSE PROJECT

4-H Horse Judging

If you are interested in participating in this project activity please sign-up by contacting Ronda. She will provide you with meeting practice information. The District Contest will be held on **Thursday, April 10** in Amarillo.

LIVESTOCK PROJECTS
Lubbock County Stock Show Schedule

Ag Mechanics: Monday & Tuesday, January 6-7, 2025
(South Plains Fair Grounds)

Projects will be moved into the Ag Mechanics Building between 8:00am and 3:00pm on Monday
Judging will begin at 2:00pm on Tuesday, January 9, 2024
Judge - Brandon Thomason
Superintendent - Jimmy Stratton

Steers: Thursday, January 09, 2025
(South Plains Fair Grounds)

10:00 am – Steer breeds and weights must be entered into Showman
10:15 am - Steer classifying begins
11:00 am – Steer show
Steers may bed in the barn on Wednesday, January 10th if you want to, not required

Lambs: Thursday, January 09, 2025
(SOUTH PLAINS FAIR GROUNDS)

4:30 pm – Lamb breeds & weights must be entered into Showman
5:30 pm – Lamb show

Barrows:

Wave 1 - Friday, January 10, 2025
(South Plains Fairgrounds)

Berks, Durocs, Hamps, Polands, Spots
6:00 pm – Barrows must be in place in the barn
6:00 pm – Barrow weights & breeds must be entered into Showman

Wave 1 - Saturday, January 11, 2025
(South Plains Fairgrounds)

8:00am - Barrow Show Wave 1
Wave 2 - Saturday, January 11, 2025
(South Plains Fairgrounds)

WOPBs, Yorks, Crosses
6:00 pm – Barrows must be in place in the barn
6:00 pm – Barrow weights & breeds must be entered into Showman

Wave 2: Sunday, January 12, 2025
(South Plains Fairgrounds)

8:00 am – Barrow Show Wave 2

Premium Sale: Saturday, January 18, 2025
(Prima Vista Event Center)

4:30 Buyer Meal
5:00 Awards
6:00 Premium Auction
Tom Lester - Auctioneer

2025 Livestock Judges

Steer – Miles Toenyas
Lamb – Cam Anderson
Swine – Zach Schwecke

GOAT PROJECT

Meat Goat Jackpot

Wednesday, January 8, 2025; 6:00 p.m.

Location: South Plains Fairgrounds
Entry Deadline Day of Show Entry Fee \$35/Head
Official Weigh-in 4:30-6:00 p.m. (no weighbacks)
Showmanship 6:00 p.m.
Show order: Pewee (2nd grade and under, Junior (3rd-5th grade), Intermediate (6th-8th grade), Sr. (9th-12th grade)
Show will immediately follow Showmanship

Show Rules and Guidelines

1. Open to any 4-H or FFA member in Lubbock County (Peweese do not have to be members)
2. **Goats must be state validated**
3. **NO HAY IN ARENA**
4. Weathers and does allowed (they will show together)
5. Minimum weight 50 lbs - no maximum
6. Horns allowed, but must be tipped
7. Must be uniformly slicked sheared, no longer than 3/8 inch above the hocks (this will be enforced at weigh-in)
8. No tooth rule
9. **OFFICIAL WEIGH IN. NO WEIGH BACK.**
10. There will be 9 classes and 3 divisions
11. Buckles and Banners awarded for Grand and Reserve Grand Champions, Banners for Division and Reserve Division Champions
12. Buckles to Showmanship Winners
13. Scholarship opportunities to qualified 12th graders (details provided at show)

SCHOOL EXCUSES

The form for School Excuses were due **December 2024** to the County Extension Office. If you are going to miss school due to Stock shows, and have not turned in a form, obtain a form and return it to the Extension Office **immediately**. Unless a form is turned in, a letter for an excused absence on your behalf will not be sent to your school.

REMINDER: Blanket excuses and eligibility information has been requested by our office for the shows entered. Parents, please notify your 4-H'er's principal of the exact dates of upcoming school absences. Make sure that you understand your school district's policy for the 10 day/90% attendance requirements. Visit with school instructors to determine plans concerning homework, tests, projects, etc. and to make sure that your 4-H'er is passing all subjects prior to and during the absence period. Eligibility for competing in any event must be determined prior to the event, whether you are missing school or not. The Extension Office sends correspondence for all events to each school prior to the competition. In order for youth to compete they must be considered academically eligible by your school.

4-H Concession Stand at the Lubbock County Livestock Show

We need all 4-H families to help with the 4-H Concession Stand at the County Livestock Show. We will be operating concessions at the Goat Jackpot, the County Steer Show, the County Lamb Show and the County Swine Show. Help is also needed to clean, set-up, and move supplies to and from the County Extension Office. The sign-up sheet is included in the 4-H Newsletter, please email Ronda at rd-alexander@tamu.edu when you are available to help. If younger than 12, we ask that a parent sign-up to work as well. This counts towards a fundraiser for Senior 4-H'ers who have qualified for or plan to attend State 4-H Roundup.

4-H JUDGING TEAMS

If you are interested in spring judging competition for Dairy, Entomology ID, Soils, or Grass ID, please contact our office and leave your name and phone number under the respective category and age division. For Livestock and Wool judging please contact Robert Scott at the County Extension Office. For Meat Judging, contact Ronda Alexander if you aren't already on the sign-up list.

4-H DOG PROJECT



4-H Dog Project Certification

If you are interested in showing a dog in the State 4-H Dog show, the Dog Certification form verifying ownership is due on 4-H Online by *January 10*. Please contact us if you have questions or plan to certify a dog for showing.

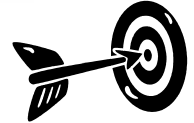
COUNTY-WIDE 4-H VETERINARY SCIENCE PROJECT INTEREST

Through the County 4-H Veterinary Science Project, 4-H'ers age 12 and up begin their studies towards a career in the Veterinary Science Certification Program. For the certificate program, students must complete 100 lessons and 50 activities, as well as 500 skill hours. This program will be done over a 3-5 year time frame. Monthly meetings are held to complete the 100 lessons. Our next Vet Science meeting will be held on **January 28 at 5:30 p.m.** at the County Extension Office.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Ronda. This is an on-going, year round program.



AIMING FOR THE BULL'S EYE 4-H Shooting Sports Review



2025 3-Position Rifle Project

The rifle project involves indoor target shooting in the prone, standing, and kneeling positions. Firearms and equipment are provided. The project is taught by NRA-certified volunteer coaches. Shooters must provide hearing protection (foam ear plugs work best) and eye protection. The project will include county, district, and state competition levels.

4-H Rifle practices are held on Mondays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. at the Range, 5840 49th St. Cost is \$10 per practice, which includes range fee, supply fee and ammunition cost. Please check-in with Vickie at each practice. Practices will begin on **January 6th**.

Reminder - All shooters must be registered on-line as a Texas 4-H Member for the 2024-25 4-H Year.

2025 4-H Archery Project

The 4-H Archery Project involves target shooting with either traditional or compound bows. County shooting equipment is available, but limited.

Participants who have their own shooting equipment should plan to bring it. Practices will begin for the Spring on **January 7** at the Range from 6-8 p.m. - 5840 49th. The range fee will increase to \$15 for each practice session.

Shotgun

New shooters will begin practicing beginning in March. Be on the look-out for more information to come. To get on the list for the March practice schedule, please call the County Extension Office at 775-1740.



4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING

This year, the District 4-H Public Speaking project will be conducted in the Spring. An information meeting will be held on Monday, **March 3 at 6:00 p.m.** at the County Extension Office to provide information about the different options available in this project; and to assist 4-H'ers getting started in this project. The County and District competition will be held with face to face presentations again, in April.

Parents and 4-H'ers:

If you have questions about the Lubbock County 4-H program, need assistance or need more information about an event, activity or project, please give us a call. We're here to serve you, but you must let us know when you need assistance or have special interest areas.

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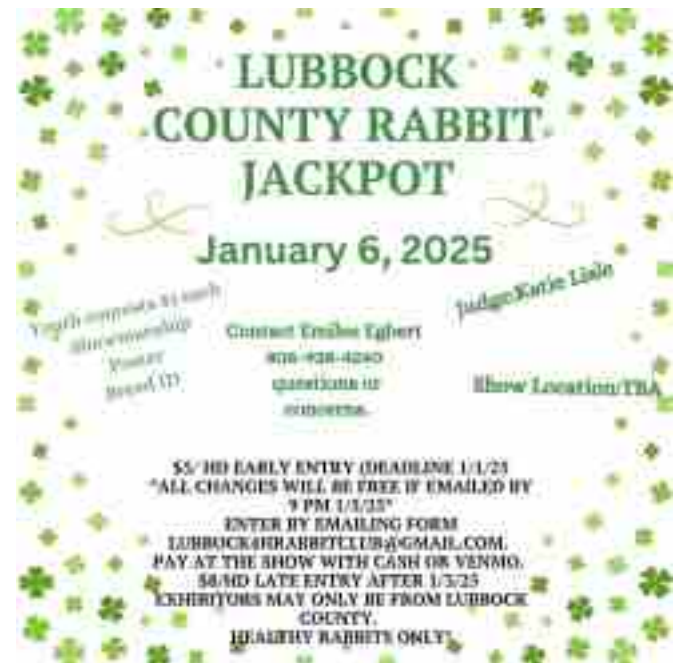
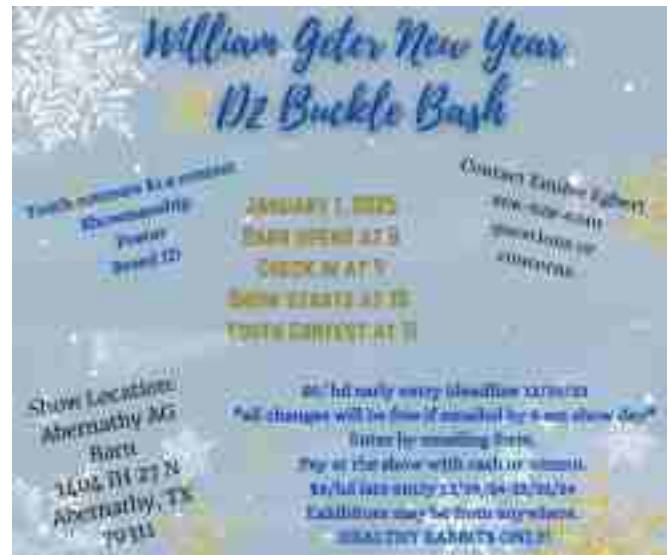
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We will seek to provide reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities for any of our meetings. We request that you contact Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service - (806) 775-1740, as soon as possible to advise us of the auxiliary aid or service that you will require.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Lubbock County 4-H January 2025</p>						NOTE: Not all dates are listed on this calendar
			1	2	3	4
5	6 ●6-8pm 3-Position Rifle practice starts, The Range, 5840 49 th St.	7 ●6-8pm 4H Archery practice starts, The Range, 5840 49 th St.	8 ●6pm Meat Goat Jackpot, SP Fairgrounds	9 ●10 am Steers in place/Weight cards entered, SP Fairgrounds ● 11am Steer Show ●4.30pm Lambs in place, SP Fairgrounds ● 5:30pm Lamb Show ●6-8 Rifle Practice, The Range	10 ●6 pm Wave 1 Barrows in place and Weights entered, SP Fairgrounds	11 ●8 am Wave 1 Barrow Show ●6 pm Wave 2 Barrows in place and Weights entered, SP Fairgrounds
	4-H Concession Stand Prep		4-H Concession Stand			
12 ●8 am Wave 2 Barrow Show, SP Fairgrounds <div style="border: 2px solid green; padding: 2px; width: fit-content;">4-H Concession Stand</div>	13 ●6-8 Rifle Practice, The Range ●5:30 Robotics Project Mtg, CEO	14 ●6-8 Archery Practice, The Range	15	16 ●6-8 Rifle Practice, The Range	17	18 ●4:30 pm Buyer Meal ●5 pm Awards ●6 pm Premium Sale, Prima Vista Event Center
19	20 County Holiday CEO Closed ●5:30 4-H Robotics Tour 	21 ●6-8 Archery Practice, The Range	22	23	24	25
26	27 ●5:30 pm 4-H Scholarship Preparation Meeting, CEO ●6:30 pm PLA & Teen Council Meetings, CEO ●5:30 Robotics Project Mtg, CEO	28 ● 5:30 pm County-Wide 4-H Veterinary Science Project Meeting, CEO (If interested, please contact Ronda) ●6-8 Archery Practice, The Range ●6:30 pm 4-H Clothing Project Leader Training, CEO	29	30	31	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Lubbock County 4-H February 2025</p>						<i>NOTE: Not all dates are listed on this calendar</i>
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2	3 ●5:30 Robotics Project Mtg, CEO	4 ●6:00 pm 4-H Club Manager Training, CEO	5	6 ●5:30 pm Beginner 4-H Recordbook Training, CEO (RSVP by Noon on Feb 5) ●7 pm Advanced Recordbook Training, CEO	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 County Holiday CEO Closed 	18 ●6:00 pm 4-H Photography Project Orientation, CEO	19	20	21	22
23	24 ●5:30 pm 4-H Clover Project Mtg, CEO	25	26	27	28	MARCH 3 ●6pm 4-H Public Speaking Information Meeting, CEO

CEO = Lubbock County Office of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, 916 Main, Suite 401, Lubbock TX

Lubbock County 4-H County 4-H Awards Summary Sheet

Specific Details in Criteria Guidelines

It is the applicants responsibility to turn in a separate application form, in addition to a Record Book, if needed.

Award Name	Age Division	Date Due to CEO	Materials to Submit
4-H RECORD BOOK	Junior, Intermediate and Senior	June 16, 2025	Completed Current Year 4-H Record Book; must be judged at County to receive t-shirt or to advance to District; 1 st place Record Book at County advance to District; Others may wildcard into open categories, as available;
PARADE OF CHAMPIONS (POC)	Junior, Intermediate and Senior	June 16, 2025	Compete in at least one County/District/State Competition and participate in either a project meeting, tour, workshop or community service during 2024-2025 4-H year; Submit "POC" form;
ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (One Award)	Junior, Intermediate, or Senior	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook - (First Year Member Only)
GREEN CLOVER AWARD (One or More Awards)	Junior, Intermediate and Senior	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook
4-H Champion AWARD (One or More Awards)	Junior, Intermediate and Senior	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook
OUTSTANDING JUNIOR (One or More Awards)	Junior (3 rd - 5 th Grade)	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook
OUTSTANDING INTERMEDIATE (One or More Awards)	Intermediate (6 th - 8 th Grade)	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook
BRONZE STAR AWARD (One or More Awards)	Junior (3 rd - 5 th Grade)	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook
SILVER STAR AWARD (One or More Awards)	Intermediate (6 th - 8 th Grade)	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook
OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD (One or More Awards)	Senior (9 th - 12 th Grade)	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook
TEEN LEADER (One or more awards)	Senior (9 th - 12 th Grade)	June 16, 2025	4-H Recordbook
DANFORTH "I DARE YOU" AWARD (One or more awards)	Senior (9 th - 12 th Grade)	June 16, 2025	Current year or State winning 4-H Record Book. [Senior State winning Record book applicants MUST write an update letter about their 4-H participation since they won state (1 page maximum). Attach the update to the inside cover of the record book.]
LUBBOCK COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP (# based on eligible applicants)	Graduating Senior	June 16, 2025	Lubbock County 4-H Scholarship Application (Application available from County Extension Office) Applicants must meet qualifications senior year and two of their other three high school years. Scholarship is funded by South Plains Fair, as funds are available. Recordbook must be submitted senior year to be eligible.

Award Name	Age Division	Date Due to CEO	Materials to Submit
4-H SCHOLARSHIPS	Graduating Senior		For a 4-H'er to receive any 4-H scholarship awarded at the County level, they must be in attendance at the County Achievement Banquet, or have a valid reason for their absence approved by the Awards and Recognition Committee or the scholarship will not be awarded.
GOLD STAR AWARD (Number of awards based on District quota)	Senior (15-18 years old as of 8-31-24)	June 16, 2025 (Interview date TBD)	Current year or State winning 4-H Record Book and Gold Star Information Form. [Senior State winning Record book applicants MUST write a concise update letter about their 4-H participation since they won state (1 page maximum). Attach the update to the inside front cover of the record book.] An interview is required and will be scheduled after applications are submitted.)
FRIEND OF 4-H AWARD (One or more awards)	Businesses or Individual NOT actively involved in 4-H Clubs	June 1, 2025	Lubbock County 4-H Nomination Form
CAREER LEADER AWARD (One or more awards)	Adult Leaders actively involved 10 or more years	June 1, 2025	Lubbock County 4-H Nomination Form
ADULT LEADER AWARD (One or more awards)	Adult Leaders in Lubbock County who are Actively Involved	June 1, 2025	Lubbock County 4-H Nomination Form
CLOVER AWARD (One or more awards)	New Adult Leader (3 or less years of involvement)	June 1, 2025	Lubbock County 4-H Nomination Form
MODEL CLUB AWARD (One or more awards)	Lubbock County 4-H Club involved in various projects and activities.	June 16, 2025	Club Manager must submit the "Texas 4-H Club Standards of Excellence" Report (found in the Club Management Guide).
PROJECT and YEAR PIN	Junior, Intermediate and Senior	June 1, 2025	Complete a Lubbock County 4-H Record Form or a Recordbook and a pin request form; and submit to Club Manager or CEO.
CLOVER KID CERTIFICATE AND PIN	Clover Kids (K-2nd Grade)	June 1, 2025	Clover Participants must complete a Clover Participation Form and submit to the CEO.

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**Awards and Recognition Committee will make final adjustments of awards. (No duplication of awards, etc.)

**Disclaimer – If any 4-H member breaks the Code of Conduct at any time throughout the year, they may not be eligible for County Awards.

**Plan to attend the Lubbock County 4-H Achievement Banquet – August 3, 2025
All awards, pins and certificates will be awarded at this event.**

2025 Lubbock County Livestock Show 4-H Concession Stand - Work Schedule

This year all events will be held at the South Plains Fairgrounds, but in two different locations; please note on the sign-up which location you are signing up for. You may text or call Ronda Alexander at 806-781-8920 with any questions. Thanks for your help!

Monday, January 6 - 10 am - Concession Clean-up	
3-6 pm - Move Equipment	

Tuesday, January 7, 2025 - Food Prep (South Plains Fairgrounds-Swine Barn)

Time	Adult/Phone #	Youth
1 pm-?		

Wednesday, January 8, 2025 - Concession Set-up/Food Prep (South Plains Fairgrounds-Swine Barn)

Time	Adult/Phone #	Youth
1 pm - 5 pm		

Wednesday, January 8, 2025 - Concession Set-up (South Plains Fairgrounds-Pavillion)

Time	Adult/Phone #	Youth
4 pm - 6:30 pm		
6:30 pm - 9 pm		

Thursday, January 9, 2025 - Steer Show (AM) and Lamb Show (PM) (South Plains Fairgrounds-Pavillion)

Time	Adult/Phone #	Youth	Youth
8 am - 11 am			
11 am - 2 pm			
2 pm - 6 pm			
6 pm - 9 pm			

Friday, January 10, 2025 - Swine Move In (South Plains Fairgrounds-Swine Barn - regular location)

Time	Adult/Phone #	Youth	Youth
4 pm - 7 pm			
7 pm - 9 pm			

Saturday, January 11, 2025 - Swine Show - Wave 1 (South Plains Fairgrounds-Swine Barn - regular location)

Time	Adult/Phone #	Youth	Youth
7 am - 10 am			
10 am - 1 pm			
1 pm - 4 pm			
4 pm - 6:30 pm			
6:30 pm - 9 pm			

Sunday, January 12, 2025 - Swine Show - Wave 2 (South Plains Fairgrounds-Swine Barn - regular location)

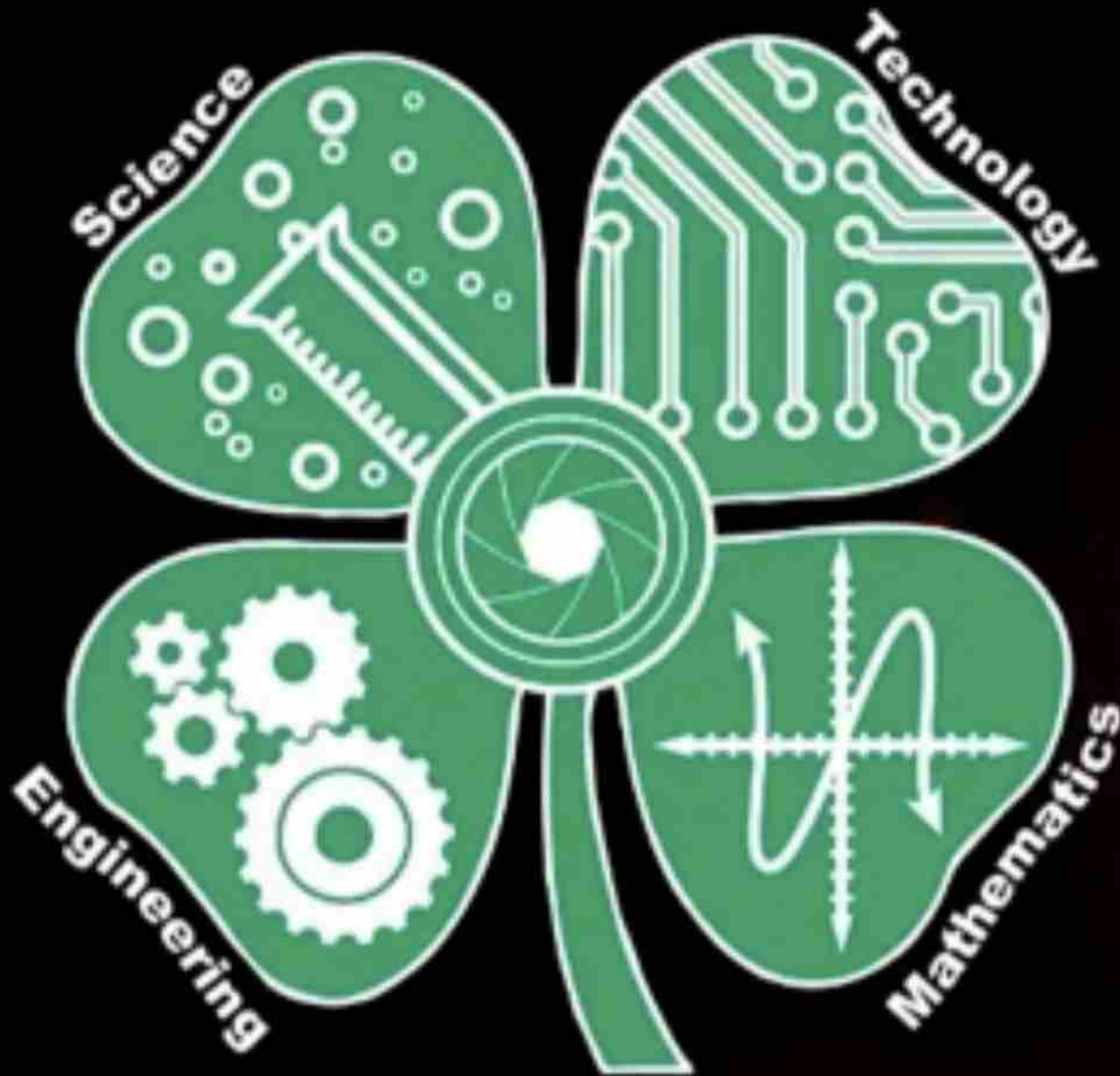
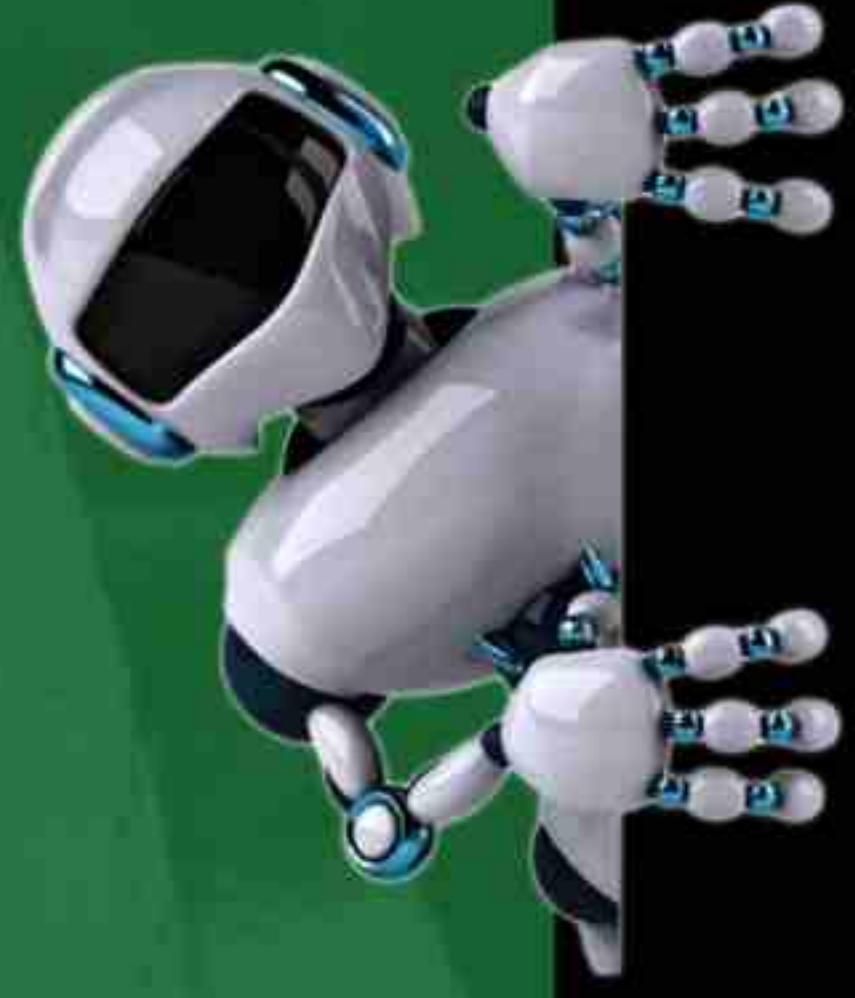
Time	Adult/Phone #	Youth	Youth
7 am - 10 am			
10 am - 1 pm			
1 pm - 4 pm Return Equipment to CEO			

LUBBOCK COUNTY

4-H

STEM & Robotics

PROJECT



WHO:

LUBBOCK COUNTY
4-H MEMBERS

WHEN:

5:30 - 6:30 PM
MONDAY, JAN. 13TH
MONDAY, JAN. 20TH
MONDAY, JAN. 27TH
MONDAY, FEB. 3RD

WHERE: LUBBOCK COUNTY EXT. OFFICE
916 MAIN STREET, SUITE 401

AFTER THE LEARNING SERIES IN JANUARY, TEAMS OF JR. AND INT. 4-H'ERS WILL BE FORMED TO COMPETE IN THE 2025 TTU WHITACRE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING GEAR ROBOTICS TOURNAMENT. PRACTICES WILL BE MONDAYS IN FEB. & MARCH AND THE COMPETITION IS APRIL 5, 2025.

COST TO COMPETE ON A 4-H GEAR TEAM IS \$20 (INCLUDES A TEAM T-SHIRT)

NEW THIS YEAR!!! JR., INT. & SR. LUBBOCK COUNTY 4-H'ERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO ENTER PROJECTS IN THE SOUTH PLAINS REGIONAL SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR ON FEB. 26, 2025 AT THE UNITED SPIRIT ARENA IN LUBBOCK. INTERESTED PARTICIPANTS MUST ATTEND THE STEM PROJECT MEETINGS TO BE ELIGIBLE.

FOR MORE INFO. CALL/TEXT (806)445-3495

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE PHOTO CONTEST

*Show your photography
skills & win cash prizes*

CONTEST
DEADLINE

JAN. 15

WINNERS
ANNOUNCED

JAN. 22

Photos capturing the relationship
between water, soil, plants, and livestock
on the Texas High Plains.

File size: 1 to 6 MB

Please submit photos taken between
Jan 1, 2024, to Jan 1, 2025.

Open to Everyone.
One photo entry per person.

Winners will be announced & displayed
at the 11th Annual Water College hosted
by Texas Alliance for Water Conservation
on January 22, 2025, at the Lubbock
Memorial Civic Center in Lubbock, Texas.



CASH PRIZES
1ST - \$250
2ND - \$150
3RD - \$100

**GIVE US
YOUR BEST
SHOT!**

SUBMIT ALL
IMAGE FILES TO
DR. KALA RAJAN,
KRAJAN@TTU.EDU

email photos to : krajan@ttu.edu



TEXAS ALLIANCE FOR
WATER CONSERVATION

TEXAS TECH
Davis College

2024-2025 UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC
1-15
4-H Natural Resources
Photography Contest
Online Submission

JAN
10-11
4-H Sportfishing
Project Leader Training
Gregg County

JAN
14-16
CEA/Program Assistant
Forestry Project Training
Conroe

JAN
18
4-H Wildlife Project
Workshop
Wichita County

JAN
20
Fort Worth Stock Show
and Rodeo Wildlife
Contest

MARCH
15
Houston Livestock
Show and Rodeo
Wildlife Contest

JUNE
5
4-H Wildlife Challenge
Texas Roundup - College Station

JUNE
14-15
4-H Outdoor Challenge
Fort Bend County

JUNE-JULY
30-4
4-H Hunting Camp
Texas 4-H Center

JULY
24-27
4-H Fishing Camp
Texas 4-H Center

Activities with dates and locations still pending:

4-H Outdoor Camp
Texas 4-H Center, Date TBA

4-H WHEP State Contest
Dates & Location TBA

4-H Sportfishing and Flyfishing
Project Leader Training
Bastrop, Date TBA

Additional Project Area
Training Workshops
Dates & Locations TBA



2024 4-H Community Service Challenge

Ruby Clover—Junior 4-H'ers



Junior 4-H'ers are invited to participate in the 2024-25 Lubbock County 4-H Community Service Challenge. You must participate in at least six of the twelve designated activities offered each month. Each Intermediate member will be recognized as a Ruby Clover at the County 4-H Achievement Banquet in August and will be included in a drawing to win one of several gift cards. Please contact Ronda if you have questions. This award is being sponsored by Peoples Bank.

Month	Date	Activity
September	September 20-28	Working the 4-H Barnyard at the South Plains Fair; minimum 2 hours;
October	October 5 - 11-12:30 pm October 22 - 5-6 pm October 20 - Donation	One Day 4-H - FiberMax Discovery Center, 1121 Canyon Lake Drive; clean-up day; Food & Nutrition Project Blessing Bags, CEO may help put together or donate snack/individ. pkg items; Snacks for Kids at UMC Cancer Pediatrics; bring individual snack items: pudding, chips, etc.
November	December 1 November 18 Donation	Making/Giving Christmas Cards for Nursing Home Residents; turn in 5+ cards to CEO; Pennies for the Playground-coin donation to Floydada Baptist Church for their playground;
December	Donation due December 20	Meals on Wheels - Pet Food Drive County 4-H Youth Coat Drive, turn in donations to CEO;
January	January 11-14, 2025	4-H Concession Stand at County Livestock Show; (parent may also be asked to assist/supervise)
February	due to CEO by Feb 10	Making Valentines for MOW/Shut-ins;
March	TBA TBA	Putting Together Weekend Bags for MOW; Clothing Closet Workday at Grace Campus;
April	Donation Donation	Undies for Everyone - donating new undies; Pleas for Pants Please - donating pants for kids;
May	Donation	4-H Teen Council Garage Sale Fundraiser;
June	TBA	Volunteer at SP Food Bank/GRUB farm;
July	TBA - Donation TBA	4-H Summer Social - donate snacks to Lubbock Police Department Appreciation; Clean-up at FiberMax Discovery Center;



2024 4-H Community Service Challenge

Emerald Clover—Intermediate 4-H'ers



Intermediate 4-H'ers are invited to participate in the 2024-25 Lubbock County 4-H Community Service Challenge. You must participate in at least eight of the twelve designated activities offered each month. Each Intermediate member will be recognized as a Emerald Clover at the County 4-H Achievement Banquet in August and will be included in a drawing to win one of several gift cards. Please contact Ronda if you have questions. Sign-ins/verification will be available for each service completed.

This award is being sponsored by Peoples Bank.

Month	Date	Activity
September	September 20-28	Working the 4-H Barnyard at the South Plains Fair; minimum 2 hours;
October	October 5 - 11-12:30 pm October 22 - 5-6 pm October 20 - donation	One Day 4-H - FiberMax Discovery Center, 1121 Canyon Lake Drive; clean-up day; Food & Nutrition Project Blessing Bags, CEO may help put together or donate snack/individ. pkg items; Snacks for Kids at UMC Cancer Pediatrics; bring individual snack items: pudding, chips, etc.
November	December 1 November 18 Donation	Making/Giving Christmas Cards for Nursing Home Residents; turn in 5+ cards to CEO; Pennies for the Playground-coin donation to Floydada Baptist Church for their playground;
December	Donation due December 20	Meals on Wheels - Pet Food Drive County 4-H Youth Coat Drive, turn in donations to CEO;
January	January 11-14, 2025	4-H Concession Stand at County Livestock Show; (parent may also be asked to assist/supervise)
February	due to CEO by Feb 10	Making Valentines for MOW/Shut-ins;
March	TBA TBA	Putting Together Weekend Bags for MOW; Clothing Closet Workday at Grace Campus;
April	Donation Donation	Undies for Everyone - donating new undies; Pleas for Pants Please - donating pants for kids;
May	Donation	4-H Teen Council Garage Sale Fundraiser;
June	TBA	Volunteer at SP Food Bank/GRUB farm;
July	TBA - Donation TBA	4-H Summer Social - donate snacks to Lubbock Police Department Appreciation; Clean-up at FiberMax Discovery Center;



2024 4-H Community Service Challenge

Diamond Clover—Senior 4-H'ers



Senior 4-H'ers are invited to participate in the 2024-25 Lubbock County 4-H Community Service Challenge. You must participate in at least one of the designated activities per month, if you miss one month, there are make-up activities that can be done. Each senior member will be recognized as a Diamond Clover at the County 4-H Achievement Banquet in August and will be included in a drawing to win one of several gift cards. Please contact Ronda if you have questions. Sign-ins/verification will be available for each service completed. This award is being sponsored by Peoples Bank.

Month	Date	Activity	Verification of Participation/Donation
September	September 20-28	Working the 4-H Barnyard at the South Plains Fair; minimum 2 hours - if 6 hours worked, will make up for one other months activity;	
October	October 5 - 11-12:30 pm October 22 - 5-6 pm October 20 - donation	One Day 4-H - FiberMax Discovery Center, 1121 Canyon Lake Drive Food & Nutrition Project Blessing Bags, Snacks for Kids at UMC Cancer Pediatrics; bring individual items: pudding, chips, etc.	
November	November 25 - 10-2 pm	Making Dog Treats/Toys; putting together Blessing Bags	
December	December 7 December 8	Red Kettle Campagin - Ring the Bell Lubbock State School - Present Wrapping	
January	January 11-14, 2025	4-H Concession Stand at Co. Livestock Show	
February	TBA	Making Valentines/Cookies for MOW/Shut-ins	
March	TBA TBA	Putting Together Weekend Bags for MOW Clothing Closet Workday at Grace Campus	
April	Donation Donation	Undies for Everyone - donating new undies Pleas for Pants Please - donating pants for kids	
May	May 9-10 (tent) may work or donate	4-H Teen Council Garage Sale Fundraiser	
June	June 3-5	State 4-H Roundup/State 4-H Council Service - may donate or work	
July	TBA - Donation TBA	4-H Summer Social - donate snacks to Lubbock Police Department Appreciation Outside Clean-up at FiberMax Center for Discovery	

Make-Up Services: donating snacks, single serve items for Lubbock Police Department or Meals on Wheels