



Lubbock County 4-H News




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4-H ENROLLMENT TIME

It is time to enroll in 4-H for the 2025-26 year. The system is using 4-H Online this year. Use the following link to access the new system:  <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

The yearly membership fee of \$25/member for September and October is in effect. As of November 1st, it will be \$30; Clover kids will now pay an enrollment fee of \$10. If you were in 4-H last year – you have a profile – please use your email and profile that you had last year. If you have forgotten your password 4-H Online will send you a new one. Please do not create a new profile if you had one last year. Please contact Ronda if you have questions or problems enrolling.

Please remember that 4-H has changed our enrollment to be based on the school grade, instead of the age. Please refer to the information listed below:

4-H Members

1. Age Requirements

- Youth may participate in 4-H from September 1st of 3rd grade through August 31st following completion of 12th grade, with these age restrictions:
 - Minimum age - 8 (must also be in the 3rd grade)
 - Maximum age - 18 (as of August 31, 2025)
 - Special education youth who are older than 19 and have not graduated from high school may participate in 4-H Youth Development programs as members, with approval by the county Extension agent. Participation is limited to the club or county level. County Extension staff have the option, on a case-by-case basis, to allow Special Education youth older than 19 to participate in competitive events at the club or county level.

2. Texas 4-H Member Categories

- Junior - Grades 3, 4, and 5
- Intermediate - Grades 6, 7, and 8
- Senior - Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12
- Clover - K-2nd Grade

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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When enrolling in 4-H, 4-H'ers must designate one 4-H club to be enrolled in. Please contact Ronda, if you have questions about 4-H enrollment. The 4-H Clubs that will be available for this year are listed below with the email contact also shown:

- Caprock 4-H Club Caprock4H@gmail.com
- Frenship 4-H Club Frenship4H@gmail.com
- Hub City 4-H Club Hubcity4hlubbock@gmail.com
- Lubbock 3P Rifle Club Lubbock3p@gmail.com
- Lubbock 4-H Rabbit Club lubbock4hrabbitclub@gmail.com
- Shallowater 4-H Club Shallowater4h@gmail.com
- Southside 4-H Club Southside4h806@gmail.com
- Wildcat 4-H Club (Idalou) Wildcat.4hclub@gmail.com
- Slaton 4-H Club Slaton4HClub@gmail.com

4-H Volunteer Enrollment

All 4-H Club Managers and volunteer leaders who will be working with 4-H'ers in project activities and club meetings with direct supervision of youth need to be sure to complete and submit the volunteer profile and screening through 4-H ONLINE. This includes coaching Food Challenge, shooting sports coaches and any other activities working directly with youth. If you aren't sure whether or not you need to submit the screening request, please contact Ronda. The screening involves a yearly registration fee of \$10 and watching the two child protection trainings online. Any volunteers who want to sign up for state volunteer trainings such as the shooting sports coaches, need to be approved as a volunteer before you can sign up for the trainings.

4-H 101 and PROJECT FAIR

A "4-H 101" meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 9 at 6 p.m.** at the first floor lobby meeting area in the 916 Main Street building. All 4-H families and any others interested in learning more about 4-H are invited to attend the meeting to learn more about 4-H, scholarships and the many opportunities available.

We will also be having 4-H'ers to set up and man project tables on some of the different 4-H projects that are offered. 4-H'ers are also needed to answer questions about the different 4-H projects available for youth to participate in. Please email Ronda by *Monday, September 8*, if you would like to set up a table and/or be available to answer questions; please also let her know what project you would like to highlight. The tables will be set-up from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm.

Please contact Ronda also if you need assistance with coming up with project table ideas.

PARENT LEADERS ASSOCIATION

Membership of the Lubbock County 4-H Parent Leader's Association is open to all parents, adults and leaders involved in the Lubbock County 4-H Program. Many important activities and events are planned and discussed at these meetings. Therefore everyone needs to make sure that their club is represented, so that each of you are aware of all of the county-wide 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 held on the 3rd Monday of most months.

For September, we will be meeting on **Monday, September 15, at 6:30 pm at the Children's Barnyard at the South Plains Fairgrounds. We will begin at 5:30 pm to begin set-up/clean-up for the Barnyard, and take a break at 6:30 pm for the PLA and Teen Council Meetings.** After the meetings, we will continue set-up and clean-up, so be sure to bring your work gloves and wear your work clothes. Fair passes will also be distributed to Club Managers or leaders at this time. For October, our meeting will be held on **Monday, October 27 at 6:30 p.m.** at the County Extension Office, 916 Main, Suite 401.

4-H FUNDRAISER OPPORTUNITY

There are various 4-H Fundraisers conducted throughout the year. We rely on everyone's assistance to make them successful.

4-H Clubs - individual 4-H clubs may conduct fundraisers to support their 4-H club activities. All club fundraisers must be approved by Ronda.

4-H Parent Leader's Association - These fundraisers support county-wide projects, activities and awards. Everyone is asked to assist with these 4-H fundraisers. They include:

- 4-H Children's Barnyard - September at SP Fair
 - 4-H Concession Stand - January at County Livestock Show
 - Other activities - as approved by Lubbock PLA
 - 4-H Lamb and Goat Jackpot - August
- Senior 4-H'ers who qualify to attend State 4-H Roundup in College Station will have their expenses (registration,

hotel and meal costs) paid if they have participated in two PLA fundraisers.

Teen Council -

Senior 4-H'ers who are active in Teen Council are asked to assist with these fundraisers. Funds raised support the annual Teen Council Leadership Retreat. They include:

- 4-H Banquet Silent Auction - August at County Achievement Banquet
- 4-H Garage Sale - held in Summer/May
- Tractor Supply 4-H Clover Campaign - held in December/May at Tractor Supply
- Other activities as scheduled by Teen Council

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Jayton Ayers will be collecting items for Ronald McDonald House. Items can be brought to 8719 E FM 3523, he can pick them up, or they may be brought to the CEO. Items will be due by *September 22nd* and can be brought to the barnyard on September 15th during the PLA/Teen Council meetings.



Please contact Jayton at 806-474-8141 for pick up or questions.

DISTRICT CONTEST ENTRY FEES

Registration for District 4-H Contests and paying online for those who have qualified will be the responsibility of the 4-H'er qualifying (placing first in most competitions) in order to compete at District. In previous years, the PLA was able to pay for these contests, however in the last couple of years, we have not been able to have enough fundraisers to continue paying for the registration fees. This is why it is important to support our County 4-H Fundraisers. Entry fees range from \$15 - \$20 per contest; cost information will be available prior to registration to assist families in preparing for this additional expense. A 4-H'er will be eligible for reimbursement for two qualifying contests at a maximum cost of \$50; reimbursement will require the 4-H'er to complete the reimbursement request which is due in June.

Participation in two County 4-H Fundraisers is also required. Please contact Ronda if you have any questions.

TEEN COUNCIL

WANTED: All Lubbock County 4-H'ers age 13 and older! Each of you are invited to participate in the Lubbock County 4-H Teen Council.

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For October we will meet at the County Extension Office, on **October 27 at 6:30 p.m.** Make plans now to attend these meetings to meet other Lubbock County 4-H'ers, get involved in county-wide activities, develop leadership skills, help others and have fun!! 4-H'ers who want to participate in the Summer Trip must work 6 hours on either Saturday at the 4-H Barnyard or make other arrangements with Ronda.

4-H BARNYARD AT SOUTH PLAINS FAIR



The 4-H Children's Barnyard at the South Plains Fair continues to be a major fundraiser for Lubbock County 4-H. As always, the help and assistance of each 4-H'er, parent and leader is needed in order to operate the Barnyard and make it a successful activity for all to enjoy. The following is a tentative schedule for club work assignments.

Club Work Schedule

- Friday, September 19** Hub City
8:00am - 9:15 pm
- Saturday, September 20** 4-H Teen Council
8:00 am - 9:15 pm
- Sunday, September 21** Wildcat
8:00 am - 9:15 pm

Monday, September 22 Shallowater
8:00 am - 9:15 pm

Tuesday, September 23. Frenship
8:00 am - 9:15 pm (Senior Citizen Day)

Wednesday, September 24 Rabbit & Slaton
8:00 am - 9:15 pm

Thursday, September 25 Southside
8:00 am - 9:15 pm

Friday, September 26
8:00 am - 9:15 pm

Saturday, September 27 4-H Teen Council
8:00 am - 9:15 pm

Volunteers working prior to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 am Saturday and Sunday do not need passes to get in.

If your club has not signed up yet, please call Ronda to sign up for a day. Passes will be distributed at the PLA Meeting on September 15.

4-H Barnyard Changes - Parent Volunteers Needed

As a result of changes in the Lubbock County Extension Staff, we are asking for parent volunteers help in managing the 4-H Barnyard at the South Plains Fair. While each 4-H club takes a day to man the Barnyard, we also need assistance with morning clean-up. Some clubs do not have volunteers available from 8 a.m until 9:30 a.m. Therefore we are asking for 2-3 parent volunteers on each day to be available to assist with morning cleaning and feeding. If your club will have volunteers available for the full day - please let Ronda know so that we don't over schedule morning volunteers. If there is another day that you are able to help besides your club day, please call Ronda to sign-up. Duties for the morning will include: watering/feeding animals, sweeping, and poop clean-up.
Friday - September 19

Monday - September 20

Tuesday - September 21

Wednesday - September 22

Thursday - September 23

Friday - September 24

GRADUATING SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

The South Plains Fair has continued to sponsor a scholarship for graduating seniors. Participation at the 4-H Barnyard is required to be eligible for the scholarship. The application is included with this newsletter, be sure to print it and start keeping up with your activities. Participation is required all four years of high school. Qualifying graduates have received a \$500 scholarship. Please contact Ronda if you have questions.

LUBBOCK COUNTY 4-H FACEBOOK

Be sure to "Like" us on facebook, or at least visit occasionally to see what is going on!
Google: "Lubbock County 4-H"
"Lubbock 4-H Livestock" on Facebook



Reminders and information about 4-H activities is posted on the "Lubbock County 4-H" facebook page, especially if there are changes since the 4-H Newsletter was mailed out.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

October 5-11 is National 4-H Week!
If your clubs need suggestions on activities to promote 4-H, please give Ronda a call,
806-775-1740.



ONE DAY 4-H

Mark your calendar for **Saturday, October 11**. 4-H'ers across the State will be conducting community service activities. This year we will be volunteering at the Fiber Max Center for Discovery Ag Museum from **10-11:30pm on Saturday, October 11**. Please RSVP to the Extension Office by *October 9*.

SOUTH PLAINS FAIR - YOUTH DIVISION

Don't forget to enter your crafts, canned goods or baked goods in the Youth Division at the South Plains Fair. There is no cost to enter and prize money is awarded in all divisions. Check out the fair premium book to find out specific rules and entry information. Books were not printed this year, but they are available on the South Plains Fair website. Entry days for canned goods and crafts are **September 16 & 17** and Baked Goods are **September 18**.

Be sure to check the book for entry times and categories. The adult section of culinary arts has also added youth categories, in the decorated cakes section.

There are also youth categories in the Horticulture Department for youth to enter. Be sure to check this out –there is prize money and no entry fees are required.

TRACTOR SUPPLY

With four locations now in Lubbock, Tractor Supply has become a great friend to Lubbock County 4-H. This year they are also conducting a clover campaign at the stores in **December**. Be sure to share with them how much we appreciate their support. We will have an exhibit at Tractor Supply when dates are confirmed.



4-H PROJECTS

4-H QUIZ BOWL CONTEST ORIENTATION

We will have a Contest Orientation for the Livestock, FCH and Horse Quiz Bowls on **Wednesday, September 10 at 5:30 pm** at the County Extension Office. We will review resources for each contest, discuss team participation and plan practices. 4-H'ers who are interested in these contests, should plan to attend. If you are unable to attend, but want to participate, please send Ronda an email so we can be sure you receive information for practice schedules



COOKING IN THE KITCHEN

Cory Edwards, Lubbock CEA for Family & Community Health, will offer "Cooking in the Kitchen" workshops again this year for Lubbock County 4-H'ers interested in participating in the Food & Nutrition project. These hands-on workshops will teach youth the knowledge and skills needed to participate in Food Show, Food Challenge, and FCH Quiz Bowl. The workshops will take place from 5:30-7:00 pm in the Lubbock County Extension Office meeting room on **Tuesday, September 16th and Monday, October 6**. Space is limited so please *RSVP to the Extension Office (806-775-1740) ONE week prior to each workshop*.

CONSUMER LIFE SKILLS PROJECT



An orientation meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 3 at 6 p.m. at the County Extension Office**. We will schedule practice sessions at the meeting and review classes. If you aren't able to attend but still interested in participating, please let Ronda know. The Consumer Decision-making contest teaches youth decision-making skills by involving them as consumers hypothetically making different purchases. Come find out how to spend your dollars wisely. The District Competition will be held on Monday, **November 3** in Lubbock.

FOOD AND NUTRITION PROJECT

Plans for the Fall Food and Nutrition Project have been finalized. You will be receiving the Food and Nutrition Project Newsletter soon, so be on the lookout for it.

4-H CALENDAR

We don't have all of the confirmed dates yet for this years 4-H County and District Project/Contests. A calendar will be emailed and included in the new member packet that will be mailed to all 4-H'ers enrolling for the 2025-26 4-H year; this packet will be emailed on September 10 to all that have completed their enrollment for the new year. After October, the new member packets will be emailed on the first of the month, as registrations are completed through-out the year.

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.



GOAT/LAMB/SWINE PROJECT

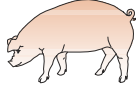


Lamb/Goat Program: Tags have been ordered. Validation Time - **Mid-October, 2025**; Procedure - Ear tag, nose print, tattoo, DNA Sample, & complete forms.



Swine Program:

Tag orders are due by September 18. Payment must be received at the time of order. Validation Dates - **November, 2025.** Procedure - Ear tag, identify ear notches, DNA sample, and complete forms.



LIVESTOCK PROJECTS



Entries for Lubbock County, Odessa, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston, Austin and San Angelo; will be taken

November 4, 5 & 6th

Watch for more details and begin making plans and hotel reservations.

2025 Livestock Shows Websites

Go to <http://lubbock.agrilife.org> Click on 4-H Livestock tab at the top and scroll down to the bottom, or go to these web sites:

Lubbock County Junior Livestock Show
<https://lubbockcountylivestockshow.com/>

Sandhills Hereford & Quarterhorse Show, Odessa
<http://sandhillsssr.com/>

Southwest Junior Livestock Show, Ft. Worth
www.fwssr.com

San Antonio Livestock Exposition
www.sarodeo.com

San Angelo Livestock Show
www.sanangelorodeo.com

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo
www.rodeohouston.com

Star of Texas Livestock Show, Austin
www.rodeoaustin.com

4-H VET SCIENCE PROJECT MEETINGS

For those of you who are interested in a career related to Veterinary Medicine, this project is 4-H'ers that are at least 12 years of age. We meet for monthly meetings, covering different veterinary science topics as well as occasional tours. Our first meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 30 at 5:30 pm at the County Extension Office.** We will plan monthly meeting dates for the year at this time.

4-H MEAT JUDGING

The 4-H Meat Judging project will be this Spring, this is a change from last year. Junior, Intermediate and Senior age 4-H'ers may participate in Meat Judging. Practices are usually held at Texas Tech and coordinated with the Texas Tech Meat Judging Team. In the meat judging project, 4-H'ers learn about retail meat cut identification, carcass evaluation, and retail cut evaluation. Species that are evaluated include: beef, swine and lamb.



**SHOOTING SPORTS
AIMING FOR THE BULL'S EYE**

Introduction to 2025-26 Shooting Sports Projects

The 4-H Shooting Sports Project is a comprehensive introduction to shooting sports safety and the fundamentals of shooting disciplines, including: archery, rifle, shotgun, pistol, muzzleloading, and hunting. The project requires the presence and supervision of trained and certified volunteer coaches. Therefore, not all disciplines are offered in all counties. Lubbock County has certified coaches for Rifle, Archery and Shotgun. We are always looking for more volunteers to assist with this project; if you are interested in becoming a certified coach, please contact Ronda to find out details about when the coaches trainings will be held.

Also, since direct supervision by certified coaches is a requirement, this program does not allow individual participation. 4-H'ers must attend group meetings. The minimum age to participate in 4-H Shooting Sports, is enrolled in the 3rd grade.

3 Position .22 Rifle practices will be held on **Mondays and Thursdays at 6 pm at the Range**, located at 5840, 49th in Lubbock. There is a range fee and equipment fee 4-H'ers will pay upon attending each practice. Practices will begin on **Monday, September 15.** The Mandatory Orientation for both new and old project participants will be held on **Thursday, September 11th at 6pm at the County Extension Office, 1st floor meeting room.**

New Shooter Orientation for Shotgun will be held in March. Practices are usually held on Sunday afternoons. More information will be provided closer to the Spring.

Archery practices will begin on Tuesday, August 26 from 6-8pm at the David Holt Education Center, 5840 49th; Practices will be held on Tuesdays throughout the fall. There is a range/fee for attending weekly practices.

Air Rifle: Practices will be held on September 5, 19, Oct 3 and 24 from 5:30-7pm; Cost is \$10 for pellets and targets. 4-H'ers need to sign-up using the QR code for time slots and location. (See flyer in this newsletter for the QR code.)

TEXAS 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS COACH TRAININGS

- Falfurrias Texas, September 20-21, 2025
Contact: Grace Marshall District 12 4-H Specialist
Archery; Rifle; Shotgun
- Marshall Texas, September 27-28, 2025
Contact: Jheri-Lynn McSwain District 5 4-H Specialist
Archery; Rifle; Shotgun
- Stephenville, October 11-12, 2025
Contact: Megan Shaffer District 8 4-H Specialist
Archery; Rifle; Pistol; Muzzleloading; Western Heritage; Shotgun
- New Boston, October 11-12, 2025
Contact: Denita Young District 4 4-H Specialist
Archery; Rifle; Pistol
- Sequin, October 18-19, 2025
Contact: Natalie Cervantes District 10 4-H Specialist
Archery; Hunting and wildlife; Shotgun; Rifle; Pistol; Muzzleloading; Western Heritage
- WEST REGION Andrews, November 1-2, 2025
Contact: State 4-H Office
Rifle; Pistol; Archery; Shotgun
- Amarillo, November 8-9, 2025
Contact: Tina Bryant District 1 4-H Specialist
Rifle; Pistol; Archery; Shotgun
- Conroe, November 8-9, 2025
Contact: Cory Hundl District 9 4-H Specialist
Archery; Rifle; Shotgun; Pistol
- Central Region, Archer City, Texas, November 15-16, 2025
Contact: Larry Perez Texas 4-H State Office
Archery; Rifle; Pistol; Shotgun; Western Heritage
- La Vernia, Texas, November 15-16, 2025
Contact: Natalie Cervantes District 10 4-H Specialist
Archery; Shotgun; Rifle; Pistol
- Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training- District 2, February 28-March 1, 2026
Contact/Location/Disciples - To Be Determined

- Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training- Brownwood, March 6-7, 2026

Contact: Garry Branham District 7 4-H Specialist
Archery; Shotgun; Rifle; Pistol

Registration for each of these trainings is available through 4-H Online. Volunteers must have their volunteer registration and screenings approved prior to being able to register for the trainings.

4-H ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET

Thanks to all of you who participated or were involved in conducting the County 4-H Achievement Banquet. Teen Council members did an outstanding job in conducting the Banquet! Congratulations also to all of the Award Recipients. Don't forget to show your appreciation to our Banquet donors; if you lost the donors address, please contact Ronda. Please see the winners list, included with this newsletter. If you weren't at the Banquet, your award is available to be picked up from the Extension Office.

Thanks also to each of our sponsors for the County 4-H Achievement Banquet. When you visit their business, please share our appreciation with them for their support. Thanks to the following donors: Ag Texas Farm Credit Services - Travis Ferguson, First Bank and Trust - Andy Martin, Capital Farm Credit - Jason Gandy, Farmers Cooperative Compress - Eric Wanjura, First State Bank of Shallowater - Mark Taylor, Lubbock County Farm Bureau - Justin Light, Western Hay Yard - Joe & Samantha Kendrick, South Plains Electric Cooperative - Lynn Simmons, South Plains Fair - Jennifer Wallace, North West Texas Agency- Jenny Verkamp, Crawford Radiator - Wyatt and Melissa Crawford, ABC Bank - Megan Moran and Western Bank - Matt Wilmouth and Peoples Bank - Bryan Studer.

FALL 4-H CONTESTS

This year, all of our Fall District 4-H Contests will be held on **November 3rd, 4th, and 5th**.

November 3rd will be District Food Show and Consumer and will be held in Lubbock.

District Food Challenge will be held on **November 4th** in Levelland at the Mallet Event Center.

District Livestock, FCH and Horse Quiz Bowls will be held on **November 5th** in Lubbock. All of these contests will be held during the day. Livestock Skill A Thon will also be held on **November 5th** in the evening in Lubbock.

WEEKEND 4-H UPDATE EMAIL

Approximately 2-3 times a month, the 4-H Email Update will be emailed to all 4-H families, currently enrolled in the Lubbock County 4-H Program from Ronda Alexander (rd-alexander@tamu.edu). The one page update will contain information about upcoming activities and the dates that they are scheduled. This will only be sent to currently enrolled families, so be sure to get enrolled as soon as possible and watch your email (or spam or junk mail) to be sure you are getting the latest information.

Requesting snack donations for
pediatric patients at
UMC Cancer Center

Dropoff Location:

916 Main Street #401
Lubbock, TX 79401

(County Extension Office)

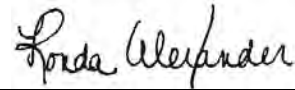
**Due by the County Food Challenge
competition on October 26, 2025**

*We are asking for small individually wrapped packages of common snacks such as chips, Cheez Its, gold fish, popcorn, pudding cups, beef jerky.

*Snacks are for the pediatric patients with cancer to eat while they are waiting for treatment and labs.

For further information or to make other arrangements for drop off, please contact

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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.



D2 4-H COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

We're collecting signed 'Thank You' cards from each County in District 2 to donate to military service people and patients at the Thomas E. Creek Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Amarillo, Texas.

**IN HONOR OF AMERICA'S 250TH BIRTHDAY IN 2026,
OUR GOAL IS 250 CARDS - OR MORE!**

The cards should include a short handwritten note of appreciation for the patient's service and be signed with the 4-H'er's first name only. The 4-H Club and/or County submitting the card can also be included, but no other personal information. Please submit each card tucked inside an unsealed envelope.

**CARDS WILL BE COLLECTED ON 11/4/25 AT THE
D2 FOOD CHALLENGE COMPETITION IN LEVELLAND.
THE WINNING COUNTY WILL EARN BRAGGING RIGHTS
AND A PLAQUE.**

Please email Marlowe@tjtiptonbarnes.com with any questions.



4-H COUNTY ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET WINNERS

Gold Star

Aideen Chaloupka
Jenny Sullivan
Rayna Jo Epley

I Dare You

Reese Bading
Brynlee Edwards
Jayton Ayers

Outstanding Senior

Josephine Butts
Holt Hoelscher
Kyndra Messer
Kylee McDonald
Stone Beach
Brooks Bozeman

Teen Leader

Madison Chaloupka
Molli Harris
Blaze Bozeman
Kinlee Rathmann
Lana Brickey

Achievement

none this year

Bronze Star (JR award)

None

Outstanding Junior

None

Silver Star (Int award)

Bronte Bozeman
Brix Edwards
Jaxon Sullivan
Mason Chaloupka
Andre Shaw
Emmeline Egbert
Alice Davis
Hudson Hoelscher

Outstanding Intermediate

Clara Davis
Henley Hoelscher
Waylon Epley
Callie Beach
Bristol Chowning
Katherine Butts

Green Clover Award

Ashlyn Wood
Karlee Barron
Teagan Chatfield
Jacob Racca

4-H Champion (hard luck type award)

Rylan Messer
Teegan Beach

Friend of 4-H

Ronda Dalton
Western Hay Yard

Clover Leader

Leah Gary
Amber Davis
Kristina Butts

Adult Leader

Kella Beach

South Plains 4-H Distinguished Leader

Ryan Bading

Career Leader

David Borg
Robbin Borg

PLA Scholarship - \$500 each

Madison Chaloupka
Kyndra Messer
Stone Beach
Lana Brickey

President's Youth Service

Silver

Brynn Bading
Avery Racca
Calyn McDonald
Jett Irlbeck
Marlowe Barnes

STATE 4-H RECORDBOOK JUDGING RESULTS

Congratulations to the following for their placings at State 4-H Recordbook Judging:

Poultry

Blaze Bozeman - 1st Place

Consumer Education

Holt Hoelscher - 5th Place

Fashion & Interior Design

Kyndra Messer - 1st Place

Leadership

Brynlee Edwards - 4th Place

Public Speaking

Stone Beach - 2nd Place

Visual and Performance Arts

Aideen Chaloupka - 4th Place

Beef

Josephine Butts - 9th Place

Swine

Brooks Bozeman - 7th Place

LUBBOCK COUNTY 4-H COMMUNITY SERVICE CHALLENGE

This past year, we started a new recognition for Lubbock County 4-H'ers: the Community Service Challenge. We are excited to be able to continue the Challenge for 2025-26. 4-H'ers who met the challenge were recognized at the County 4-H Achievement Banquet in August and received gift cards as well as their recognition. Peoples Bank served as our sponsor for the award this past year. Be sure to check out the Challenge forms in the newsletter with the service activities planned for this year, so that you can get involved.

Those who were recognized were:

Ruby Service Challenge - Macy Gladden

Emerald Service Challenge - Andre Shaw, Marlowe Barnes, Calyn McDonald, Jett Irlbeck, Emmeline Egbert and Sadie Gladden

Diamond Service Challenge - Kyndra Messer, Rylan Messer, Kylee McDonald

**2025 Awards Program
Record Book Participants**

ANIMAL AGRICULTURE

Teegan Beach, Sr. - Shallowater
Molli Harris, Sr. - Wildcat

BEEF

Bronte Bozeman, Int. - Wildcat
Clara Davis, Int. - Slaton
Josephine Butts, Sr. - Southside
Blaze Bozeman, Sr. - Wildcat
Ashlyn Wood, Sr. - Slaton

CITIZENSHIP

Reese Bading, Sr. - Shallowater
Kinlee Rathmann, Sr. - Southside
Brynn Bading, Int. - Shallowater

CONSUMER

Brix Edwards, Int. - Wildcat
Henley Hoelscher, Int.-Shallowater
Holt Hoelscher, Sr. - Shallowater

FASHION & INTERIOR DESIGN

Kylee McDonald, Sr.. - Wildcat
Kyndra Messer, Sr. - Frenship

FOOD & NUTRITION

Calyn McDonald, Int. - Wildcat
Avery Racca, Int. - Frenship
Jaxon Sullivan, Int. - Wildcat
Rylan Messer, Sr. - Frenship
Karlee Barron, Sr. - Southside

GARDENING & HORTICULTURE

Bristol Chowning, Int. Wildcat

GOAT

Waylon Epley, Int. - Frenship

HEALTH

Mason Chaloupka, Int. - Wildcat
Jenny Sullivan, Sr.- Wildcat

HORSE

Callie Beach, Int. - Shallowater
Madison Chaloupka, Sr. - Wildcat
Lana Brickey, Sr. - Shallowater

LEADERSHIP

Andre Shaw, Jr. - Hub City
Brynlee Edwards, Sr. - Wildcat
Jayton Ayers, Sr. - Wildcat

PHOTOGRAPHY

Jett Irlbeck, Int.- Hub City
Jacob Racca, Int. - Frenship

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Katherine Butts, Jr. - Southside
Stone Beach, Sr.- Shallowater

RABBIT

Emmeline Egbert, Int. -Shallowater
Alice Davis, Int. - Slaton

RANGE SCIENCE

Hudson Hoelscher, Int-Shallowater

SHOOTING SPORTS

Teagan Chatfield, Int. - 3P Rifle

STEM

Marlowe Barnes, Jr. - Hub City

SWINE

Brooks Bozeman, Int. - Wildcat

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

Aideen Chaloupka, Sr. - Wildcat

VETERINARY SCIENCE

Rayna Jo Epley, Sr. - Frenship

Breed Sanctions by donations only!

JOIN US FOR AN
**LC4HRBA
Fall Show**

Youth Contests: \$1 each
Breed ID
Showmanship
Poster
Costume Contest

Friday:
Barn Opens at 4
check in at 5
Show starts at 6:30
Saturday:
Barn Opens: 7am
Check in at 8am
Show starts at 9am

Entries due October 20, 2025
Early Entry:
\$5/head
Changes \$2/each
Late entries: \$7/head
Free changes until October 23, 2025

October 24-25, 2025
9 a.m.
1150 N 20th St.
Slaton, TX 79364

Send Entries to
lubbock4hrabbitclub@gmail.com
Check the LC4HRBA facebook page for
all updates.

**LUBBOCK CO 4H
AIR RIFLE PROJECT**

DATES OF EVENTS:
AUGUST 22ND
SEPTEMBER 5TH
SEPTEMBER 19TH
OCTOBER 3RD
OCTOBER 24TH
NOVEMBER 7TH
DECEMBER 12TH

5:30-7PM
COST IS \$10 FOR
PELLETS & TARGETS.
AIR RIFLES WILL BE
PROVIDED TO 4-H
SHOOTERS.

SIGN-UP REQUIRED
USE QR CODE TO ACCESS SIGNUP

4-H 3P .22 RIFLE ORIENTATION



Please join us as we will host our orientation for the 4-H 3 position .22 Rifle project!

We will go over rules, regulations, safety, and more.

This is mandatory for old or new participants!

- Key components of the orientation:**
- Introduction of coaching staff
 - Safety
 - Equipment
 - Training
 - Rules and Regulations
 - Grade level break down
 - General information
- When:** September 11th
Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
- Where:** Lubbock County Extension Office on the first floor in the lobby
916 Main St. #401, Lubbock, Texas 79401

Contact Us lubbock3p@gmail.com

**United
supermarkets**
DISTRICT 2 4-H
Grilling Games

OCTOBER 18, 2025 // 9AM
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY ANIMAL & FOOD SCIENCES ARENA & PARKING LOT

- Registration will open on 4-H Online 10/1 and close 10/10. Late Registration 10/13 - 10/14. • \$50 late fee
- Any D2 4-H member is eligible to participate.
- There will be no team entries this year. All entries will be individual.
- \$25 entry fee will enter you in every category.
Corn on the Cob · Hamburger Patty
Chicken Legs · Boneless Pork Chop
Dessert: Item of your choice, You will provide ingredients and it will be cooked on site.

BUCKLES WILL BE GIVEN TO THE CHAMPIONS IN EACH AGE DIVISION

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF RULES AND MORE INFORMATION,
GO TO D24-H.TAMU.EDU

Follow us on Facebook:
DISTRICT 2 4-H GRILLING GAMES



2025-26 4-H Community Service Challenge

Ruby Clover—Junior 4-H'ers

Junior 4-H'ers are invited to participate in the 2025-26 Lubbock County 4-H Community Service Challenge. You must participate in at least six of the twelve designated activities offered each month. Each Junior 4-H'er 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. Sign-ins/verification will be available for each service completed; you should also note on this form verification of the documentation/date/activity that you completed. The completed form must be turned in to the County Extension Office by July 24.

Month	Date	Activity	Verification of Participation/Donation
September	September 19-27 September 22	Working the 4-H Barnyard at the South Plains Fair; minimum 2 hours; Donations of wish list items for Ronald McDonald House	
October	October 11 - 10-11:30 am October 26 - donation	One Day 4-H - FiberMax Discovery Center, 1121 Canyon Lake Drive; clean-up day; Snacks for Kids at UMC Cancer Pediatrics; bring individual snack items: pudding, chips, etc.	
November	November 4 November 10 November 14	Thank You Cards to Military Service People and Patients, turn in 5+ cards; Youth Coat Drive Food & Nutrition Project Blessing Bags for Grace Campus - donate individual snack foods/hygiene items;	
December	December 1 December TBA	Making/Giving Christmas Cards for Nursing Home Residents; turn in 5+ cards to CEO; Meals on Wheels - Pet Food Drive; turn in to CEO;	
January	January 14-17, 2026	4-H Concession Stand at County Livestock Show; (parent asked to assist/supervise)	
February	due to CEO by Feb 6	Making Valentines for MOW/Shut-ins;	
March	On Your Own	Pick your own community service activity - email a picture of your involvement to Ronda;	
April	Donation -bring to CEO Donation -bring to CEO	Undies for Everyone - donating new undies; Pleas for Pants Please - donating pants for kids;	
May	May TBA - Donation	4-H Teen Council Garage Sale Fundraiser;	
June	TBA	Putting Together Weekend Bags for MOW	
July	TBA - Donation July 7 July TBA	4-H Summer Social - donate snacks to Lubbock Police Department Appreciation; Clean-up at FiberMax Discovery Center; Service Project with 4-H Food, Fun and Fashion	



2025-26 4-H Community Service Challenge

Emerald Clover—Intermediate 4-H'ers

Intermediate 4-H'ers are invited to participate in the 2025-26 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. The completed form must be turned in to the County Extension Office by July 24.

Month	Date	Activity	Verification of Participation/Donation
September	September 19-27 September 22	Working the 4-H Barnyard at the South Plains Fair; minimum 2 hours; Donations of wish list items for Ronald McDonald House	
October	October 11 - 10-11:30 am October 26 - donation	One Day 4-H - FiberMax Discovery Center, 1121 Canyon Lake Drive; clean-up day; Snacks for Kids at UMC Cancer Pediatrics; bring individual snack items: pudding, chips, etc.	
November	November 4 November 10 November 14	Thank You Cards to Military Service People and Patients, turn in 5+ cards; Youth Coat Drive Food & Nutrition Project Blessing Bags for Grace Campus - donate individual snack foods/hygiene items;	
December	December 1 December TBA	Making/Giving Christmas Cards for Nursing Home Residents; turn in 5+ cards to CEO; Meals on Wheels - Pet Food Drive; turn in to CEO;	
January	January 14-17, 2026	4-H Concession Stand at County Livestock Show; (parent asked to assist/supervise)	
February	due to CEO by Feb 6	Making Valentines for MOW/Shut-ins;	
March	On Your Own	Pick your own community service activity - email a picture of your involvement to Ronda;	
April	Donation -bring to CEO Donation -bring to CEO	Undies for Everyone - donating new undies; Pleas for Pants Please - donating pants for kids;	
May	May TBA - Donation	4-H Teen Council Garage Sale Fundraiser;	
June	TBA	Putting Together Weekend Bags for MOW	
July	TBA - Donation July 7 July TBA	4-H Summer Social - donate snacks to Lubbock Police Department Appreciation; Clean-up at FiberMax Discovery Center; Service Project with 4-H Food, Fun and Fashion	



2025-26 4-H Community Service Challenge

Diamond Clover—Senior 4-H'ers

Senior 4-H'ers are invited to participate in the 2025-26 Lubbock County 4-H Community Service Challenge. You must participate in at least one of the designated activities offered each month. 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; you should also note on this form verification of the documentation/date/activity that you completed. The completed form must be turned in to the County Extension Office by July 24.

Month	Date of Event/Items due to CEO	Activity	Verification of Participation/Donation
September	September 19-27 September 22	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; Donations of wish list items for Ronald McDonald House	
October	October 11 - 10-11:30am October 26	One Day 4-H - FiberMax Discovery Center, 1121 Canyon Lake Drive; clean-up day; Snacks for Kids at UMC Cancer Pediatrics; bring individual snack items: pudding, chips, etc.	
November	November 4 November 10 November 14 November 24	Thank You Cards to Military Service People and Patients, turn in 5+ cards; Youth Coat Drive; Food & Nutrition Project Blessing Bags for Grace Campus - donate individual snack foods/hygiene items; Putting together Blessings Bags; Decorating Sacks for Meals on Wheels	
December	December 1 December TBA December TBA December TBA	Making/Giving Christmas Cards for Nursing Home Residents; turn in 5+ cards to CEO; Red Kettle Campaign - Ring the Bell; Lubbock State School - present wrapping; Meals on Wheels - Pet Food Drive;	
January	January 14-17, 2025	4-H Concession Stand at County Livestock Show;	
February	due to CEO by Feb 6	Making Valentines for MOW/Shut-ins;	
March	On Your Own March TBA	Pick your own community service activity - email a picture of your involvement to Ronda; Meals on Wheels - Mardi Gras	
April	Donation -bring to CEO Donation -bring to CEO	Undies for Everyone - donating new undies; Pleas for Pants Please - donating pants for kids;	
May	May 9 (tent) May TBA	4-H Teen Council Garage Sale; work or donate; Clothing Closet Workday at Grace Campus;	
June	June 2-4 June TBA	State 4-H Roundup/Council Service - may work/donate; Putting Together Weekend Bags for MOW;	
July	TBA - Donation July 7 July TBA	4-H Summer Social - donate snacks to Lubbock Police Department Appreciation; Clean-up at FiberMax Discovery Center; Service Project with 4-H Food, Fun and Fashion	

Make-up Services: donating snacks, single serve items for Lubbock PD or Meals on Wheels; Meals on Wheels - Mardi Gras; Others as approved by Ronda;

Lubbock County 4-H Scholarship Application

Name _____

Address _____ Zip Code _____

4-H Club _____ Years in 4-H _____

Telephone Number _____

Have you graduated from high school or equivalent during this school year? _____
If yes, from what school? _____

Do you have a current 4-H enrollment profile on 4-H Connect? _____

Have you completed a recordbook during three of the four years of your Senior 4-H career? _____ If yes, in what category? _____

Have you been an active member of Lubbock County 4-H and your local club for at least three years of your Senior 4-H Career? _____

Have you attended at least five meetings of your local club during your Senior 4-H Career including your Senior year in high school? _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Lubbock County 4-H Scholarship Application



4-H'er must complete requirements for the 4-H Barnyard and submit a Recordbook three of the four years of High School, and senior year. Please have an adult leader, club manager or County Extension Agent verify your participation by signing and dating each activity. Try to fill in this information (have club manager /leader/agent sign) as you complete the tasks, rather than waiting until the end. It is much easier to keep up with everything that you do. You could also keep one form for each year.


Event	20 -20	20 -20	20 -20	20 -20
ĪŪĪ ĒĀŪŪ ŪĔŸŦ ÇŪĔĪ as South Plains Fair Children's Barnyard OR Extension Sponsored Exhibit (minimum 5 hours/year)	Initial/Date	Initial/Date	Initial/Date	Initial/Date
ĪŪĪ ĒĀŪŪ ĭ ŅĒĪ ŅŪĭ ÇŪĔĪ Recordbook (completing at least 3 recordbooks as a Senior 4-H'er); must submit graduating senior year;				

4-H'er must complete a minimum of six of the following qualifications three of their four high school years.

Event	20 -20	20 -20	20 -20	20 -20
South Plains Fair Youth Department Entries (minimum 5 entries each year)	Initial/Date	Initial/Date	Initial/Date	Initial/Date
Local 4-H Club Meetings (min. 5/year)				
Teen Council Meetings (min. 5/year)				
Work in Lubbock County 4-H Livestock Show Concession Stand				
Other County-wide 4-H Fundraiser				
County/District 4-H Food & Nutrition Event				
County/District 4-H Clothing & Textiles Event				
County/District 4-H Roundup				
Other District 4-H Competitive Event				
State 4-H Roundup or State Event				
Lubbock County Jr. Livestock Show Exhibitor				
Major Livestock Show Exhibitor				
District/State 4-H Horse Event				
County Veterinary Science Project				
Outreach or other 4-H Community Service Project (approved by CEA)				
Other CEA Approved Projects/Competitions				
Other CEA Approved Leadership Activity				
Camp Staff: County, Electric or Leadership				

**funding is dependent upon available funds

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Lubbock County 4-H SEPTEMBER 2025</p>						NOTE: Not all dates are listed on this calendar.
	1 County Holiday CEO Closed 	2	3 ●5:30pm 4-H Consumer Decision-Making Project Orientation, 1 st Floor, 916 Main	4	5 ●5:30-7 Air Rifle Practice	6
7	8	9 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO ●6 pm 4-H 101 Meeting, 916 Main, 1 st Floor *RSVP for 9-16 Cooking in the Kitchen	10 ●5:30pm 4-H Quiz Bowl Contest Orientation, CEO (Livestock, FCH, Horse)	11 ●4.30-8pm Consumer Practice, CEO ●6pm 3-Position .22 Rifle Orientation, 1 st Floor	12	13
14	15 ●6:30 PLA & Teen Council, Barnyard	16 <div style="border: 2px solid blue; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">South Plains Fair Canned Goods & Crafts Entries Due</div> ●5:30-7pm Cooking in the Kitchen, CEO	17	18 <div style="border: 2px solid blue; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">South Plains Fair Baked Goods Entries Due</div> *Swine Tag Orders DUE-CEO	19 ●5:30-7 Air Rifle Practice	20 <div style="border: 2px solid purple; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">South Plains Fair</div> ●Barnyard - Hub City ●Barnyard - Teen Council
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
<div style="border: 2px solid purple; padding: 5px;">South Plains Fair</div>						
●Barnyard - Wildcat	●Barnyard - Shallowater	●Barnyard - Frenship	●Barnyard -Rabbit & Slaton	●Barnyard -Southside	●Barnyard -	●Barnyard - Teen Council
28	29 *RSVP for 10-6 Cooking in the Kitchen	30 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO ●5:30 Vet Science Project Meeting, CEO				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Lubbock County 4-H OCTOBER 2025</p>						<p>NOTE: Not all dates are listed on this calendar.</p>
NOVEMBER 4, 5, 6 Livestock Shows Sign Up			1	2 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	3 ●5:30-7 Air Rifle Practice	4
5	6 ●5:30-7pm Cooking in the Kitchen, CEO	7 ●4-8pm County 4-H Food Show and Consumer, 1 st Floor 916 Main	8 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	9 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	10	11 ●10-11:30am One Day 4-H, Fiber Max Center for Discovery Ag Museum
National 4-H Week						
12	13 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	14 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	15 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	16	17	18
19	20	21 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	22 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	23 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	24 ●5:30-7 Air Rifle Practice	25
26 ●2pm County Food Challenge, CEO & 1 st Floor 916 Main	27 ●6:30pm PLA & Teen Council, CEO ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	28 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	29 ●4:30-8 Consumer Practice, CEO	30	31 