



# PALO PINTO COUNTY 4-H

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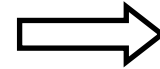
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### October 2025

- 2** **Knife Skills & Kitchen Safety Workshop** - This will be held at the Extension Office from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. on Oct. 2nd and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Oct. 4th. **OR** Currently enrolled 4-H members can choose which day they would like to attend. The content will be the same, so it is only necessary to attend one session. Please RSVP to 940-659-1228 if you would like to attend.
- 4**
- 6** **Entry Deadline for County Food Challenge Contest** - Please call the Palo Pinto County Extension office at 940-659-1228 to enter your team!
- 15** **County Food Show Entries Due** - Entry forms and recipes are due to the Extension office. Call 940-659-1228 for more information.
- 7, 14 & 28** **Livestock Judging Practices** - each practice will be held at the Extension office in Palo Pinto and begin at 6:00 p.m.
- 19** **County Food Challenge Contest** - This is a team event that will be held at Palo Pinto I.S.D. Entries are due **October 6, 2025**.
- 20** **Sheep & Goat Validation for County & Major Shows** - This will be held at the EXPO Center in Mineral Wells from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. All lambs or goats that will be shown at County or Major shows **MUST** be present to be eligible to show. County show entries will be done at this time as well. **Exhibitors and parents must be there for state validation.**
- 20** **Broiler Orders & Entries for County Show due** - If you would like to show broilers at the County Stock Show, you need to be at the Expo Center in Mineral Wells between 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Oct. 20th to pay for your County Show entries and order and pay for your chicks.
- 20** **Heifer Validation for County and Major Shows** - Heifers that will be showing at County or Major Shows will need to be at the EXPO center between 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to be validated. County entries will be done at this time too. If your heifer was validated back in June and your county entry was paid, then you are **NOT** required to bring it again. **Please bring heifer papers to validation. A parent must be present to do state validation paperwork.**
- 23** **County Food Show** - This contest will be held at the Palo Pinto County Extension office. Rules and guidelines can be found on our website <https://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/palo-pinto-county/>

Entries are due to the Extension Office by **October 15, 2025**.

### November 2025

- \*\*\*** **Swine Validation for County & Major Shows** - see back of handout for Dates!!
- 1** **4-H Participation Fee Increases to \$30.00** - The participation fee up to October 31, 2025 is \$25.00. Enrollments must be entered on the Texas 4-H Online system and fees paid by October 31st in order to avoid the fee increase to \$30.00.
- 1 & 2** **Royal Rumble Jackpot Show Series Mineral Wells** - (more info on back)
- 3** **District Livestock Judging Contest** - This contest will be held in Lubbock. Entry deadline for this contest is **October 20, 2025**.
- 4** **Major Livestock Show Entry Day** - On this day, the Extension Office will be open from 8am to 7pm for those who are participating in major stock shows, to complete their entries. **Please plan to come see us on or before this day so we can get you entered. Don't forget to renew your quality counts verification if you are a new exhibitor, or in the 6th or 9th grade this year.** If you have questions, please call the Extension Office at (940) 659-1228.
- 6** **Livestock Skill-a-thon Workshop** - This workshop will be held at the Extension office beginning at 6:00 p.m. The livestock skill-a-thon tests a 4-H member's knowledge and comprehension of animal science and livestock management practices. The contest provides an opportunity for youth to gain and develop production livestock skills and life skills through a competitive environment.
- 8** **District 3 Trap Contest** - This contest will be held in Iowa Park, Texas. You must be actively participating in the shooting sports shotgun group to be eligible.
- 12** **District Food Show & Food Challenge Contest** - The District Food Show and Food Challenge Contest will both be held in Wichita Falls on Wednesday, November 12, 2025. You must qualify at the County level to be eligible to enter.
- 13** **Entry Deadline for the District Livestock Skill-a-thon Contest** - If you are interested in participating in the Livestock Skill-a-thon, give us a call at 940-659-1228.
- 17** **4-H Council Meeting** - This meeting is open to 4-H members who are interested in serving in a leadership role within their club and at the county level. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Extension office.

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

### It's Time to Enroll or Re-enroll for the New 4-H Year

We are glad that you have chosen to be apart of Texas 4-H and the Palo Pinto County 4-H program! Below is some important information about enrolling for the 2025-2026 4-H Year.

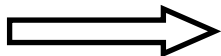
- Texas 4-H requires every 4-H youth member and volunteer leader to enroll or re-enroll each 4-H year.
- Texas 4-H has an annual participation fee for youth members of \$25.00 up to October 31, 2025, and a \$30.00 fee from November 1st to the completion of the 2025-2026 4-H year. The enrollment fee for Clover Kids (grade K-2) will be \$10.00.
- To be a 4-H member, the enrollment form and fee must be submitted and entered into the 4-H Online system. To access 4-H Online to enroll or to register for an event, please contact the Palo Pinto County Extension Office to obtain your login information.
- 4-H volunteers that work directly with youth must be screened before becoming a volunteer. The fee for volunteer enrollment each year is \$10.00, and Palo Pinto County 4-H will reimburse that fee upon request. They are then are rescreened every three years.

### Palo Pinto County 4-H County Show Projects - Important Dates

- 10/20/25 - Lamb & Goat Validation & County Entries Due - 4 - 7 p.m. EXPO Building
- 10/20/25 - Broiler Entries & Chicks Orders Due for County Show - 4 - 7 p.m. EXPO
- 10/20/25 - Heifer Validation & County Entries Due 4 - 7 p.m. - EXPO Building
- 10/20/25 - Horticulture Entries Due 4 - 7p.m. - EXPO Building
- 10/20/25 - Picture of horticulture project must be emailed to Cindy Peugh  
cindy.peugh@ag.tamu.edu
- 11/8/25 - Swine Validation & County Entries at the Graford Stock Show
- 11/12/25 - Swine Validation & County Entries 4 - 6 p.m. - David Hardy Ag. Facility
- 11/20/25 - Swine Validation & County Entries 4 - 6 p.m. - Santo Ag Farm
- 12/7/25 - Rabbit Validation & County Entries 1 - 4 p.m. - EXPO Building
- 12/7/25 - Ag Mechanics Entries Due 1 - 4 p.m. - EXPO Building
- TBA - Rabbit Workshop 6:30 p.m. - EXPO Building
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1/6/26 - 1/10/26 - Palo Pinto County Livestock Show & Premium Sale

County Show Rules are posted on our webpage (use QR code)



### Attention Major Livestock Show Exhibitors

Quality Counts verification is required for all youth exhibiting livestock (market and/or breeding) at major livestock shows in Texas (including the Ft. Worth Livestock Show, San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Star of Texas Fair in Austin, San Angelo Livestock Show, Sandhills Stock Show in Odessa, State Fair of Texas in Dallas, and Heart O' Texas Fair in Waco). The verification process will require exhibitors to pass an online test with a minimum of 80%. Exhibitors only need to be verified once as a junior (grades 3-5), once as an intermediate (grades 6-8), and once as a senior (grades 9-12). This must be completed before entering any major livestock show.

Please contact the Extension office at 940-659-1228 to get instructions.

### Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign

Nov. 28 - Dec. 14, 2025

*If you shop at Tractor Supply during this time, please be sure to purchase a paper clover to help support your county 4-H program. The proceeds go to help fund camps and leadership activities for 4-H'ers in Palo Pinto County throughout the year.*



United Way provides support to Palo Pinto County 4-H

MINERAL WELLS FFA

**NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> 2025**

**ROYAL RUMBLE**

**JACKPOT SHOW SERIES**

2 DAY SHOWDOWN - BUCKLES, BANNERS AND MORE

**SWINE**

**NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2025**

CARDS DUE AT 9AM SHOWMANSHIP TIME 9:30AM

**109 BUCKLES**

**DIVISIONS**

**SWINE**

POLAND DARK CROSS LIGHT CROSS YORKSHIRE HEREFORD\* CHESTER BERKSHIRE DUROC HAMPSHIRE LANDRACE SPOT

\*GILTS ONLY\*

**SHEEP**

MEDIUM WOOL FINE WOOL FINE WOOL CROSS SOUTHDOWN COMMERCIAL EWE SHOW DORPER

**GOATS**

WETHER DOES COMMERCIAL DOE SHOW

**LAMB & GOAT**

**NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2025**

CARDS DUE AT 9AM SHOWMANSHIP TIME 9:30AM

**SHOWMANSHIP FREE**

**ENTRY FEES \$30 PER ROUND**

**CONTACTS**

DAVE MARCATH- 586-531-0366 KODY KNIGHT- 254-522-5445

**LOCATION**

800 FM 1821 NORTH MINERAL WELLS, TX

**PREFERRED PARKING \$50 PER TRAILER DUE BY OCT 24TH!**

GROUNDS OPEN FRIDAY 6PM - 9PM SATURDAY 6AM SUNDAY 6AM