

Uvalde County 4-H

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HAPPY THANKS GIVING

Wishing you a season filled with warmth, joy, and the beauty of falling leaves. May this autumn bring peace and cozy moments to your days.

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NOV 2	Uvalde Junior/Senior Club Meeting
NOV 3	Uvalde 4-H Shooting Sports Club Meeting
NOV 3	Market Broiler Order DEADLINE
NOV 4	OFFICE CLOSED
NOV 5	Utopia 4-H Club Meeting
NOV 6	4-H Entomology Workshop
NOV 6	UCJLS Swine Validation (Sabinal)
NOV 8	UCJLS Swine Validation (Uvalde)
NOV 10	Major Shows Entries DEADLINE
NOV 11	OFFICE CLOSED
NOV 11	Juntos 4-H
NOV 12	Knippa 4-H Meeting
NOV 12	Sabinal 4-H Meeting
NOV 13	4-H Entomology Workshop
NOV 17	First Responder Cards DUE
NOV 17	4-H Adult Organization Meeting
NOV 18	Juntos 4-H
NOV 20	4-H Entomology Workshop
NOV 25	4-H Story Time (El Progreso Memorial Library)
NOV 25	4-H Holiday Workshop
NOV 25	4-H Entomology Workshop
NOV 27-28	OFFICE CLOSED
DEC 1	Horse Validation DEADLINE
DEC 2	Juntos 4-H
DEC 5	Uvalde Christmas Parade
DEC 6	Breakfast with Santa
DEC 12	4-H Christmas Party
DEC 13	Wreaths Across America

**For meeting times & locations to our website or click [HERE](#).*

DISTRICT 10

DEC 3-5 Fall Roundup

Thanksgiving Day is a good day to recommit our energies to giving thanks and just giving.

— Amy Grant

Coming up!

NEW

FIRST RESPONDERS THANK YOU CARDS

November 17, 2025

This month, Uvalde County 4-H is showing appreciation to our local heroes! Each member is asked to create **three thank-you cards for first responders**. Be creative and heartfelt—let's make sure they know how much we value their service!

Cards can be dropped off at your **November 4-H club meeting** or at the **Extension Office** by **Monday, November 17th**. This project counts toward **County Council community service**.

Project Chairman: Andrea Garcia .



NEW

Junior/Senior Club—CPR Practice

November 2, 2025

All 4-H members are invited to join the Uvalde County Junior/Senior Club for their next meeting on **Sunday, November 2**. This month's meeting will feature a special hands-on **CPR practice session led by Uvalde County EMS**. It's a great opportunity to learn valuable life-saving skills while connecting with fellow 4-H members. Don't miss it!

NEW

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR UVALDE COUNTY 4-H COUNTYWIDE COMMUNITY SERVICE

November 8, 2025 / 8:30—12:00 pm

All 4-H members are invited to take part in our **November Community Service Project** — assisting with the **Uvalde Food Distribution** at the **UDLA Campus (224 Benson Rd)** on **Saturday, November 8**, from **8:30 AM to 12 PM**.

Come ready to lend a helping hand and make a difference in our community!

- ◆ Wear your 4-H T-shirt
- ◆ Bring a cap or hat
- ◆ Dress comfortably

For more information, contact the **Uvalde County Extension Office** at **830-278-6661**. Let's show our 4-H spirit through service!

Project Chairman: Stormy Flores



4-H Story-Time at El Progreso Memorial Library

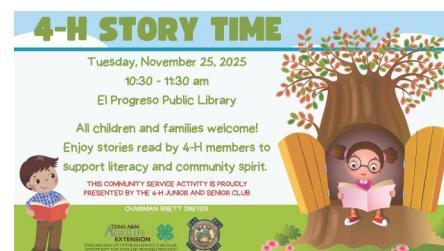
November 25, 2025

Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, November 25**, from **10:30 to 11:30 AM** and join us at the **El Progreso Memorial Library** for a special community event — **4-H Story Time!**

Our **Uvalde County 4-H Junior & Senior Club members** will be reading stories to children and families as part of this month's community service project. This event is a wonderful way for our 4-H youth to promote literacy, connect with the community, and share the joy of reading.

This project is led by **Event Chairman, Brett Dreyer**.

All children and families are welcome — we can't wait to see you there! ☺



Coming up!

ENTOMOLOGY WORKSHOPS

Thursdays thru November 20, A&M Research & Extension Center, Uvalde, TX

Discover the Fascinating World of Insects!

Did you know that nearly **three-fourths of all animals on Earth are insects?** Because they are so numerous, insects impact our daily lives in both good and bad ways.

Through the **4-H Entomology Project**, you'll explore the incredible world of insects by **studying, collecting, and identifying** different species. You'll discover how helpful and harmful insects live, multiply, and affect humans — and gain a new appreciation for the tiny and not so tiny creatures that share our world.

Participants will also have the opportunity to **compete in Entomology Judging Contests**, putting their knowledge and skills to the test!

Workshops are held every Thursday from 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Questions? Contact the Extension Office at **830-278-6661** or reach out to **Noel Troxclair**.

Join us to discover the mysteries of the insect world — you might be surprised at what you find!

NEW Holiday Workshop

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

Come get creative with us and make a fun holiday snack to kick off the season! Join us at **12:00 pm in the Leona Room at the Uvalde County Fairplex** for a festive and hands-on workshop full of cheer and creativity.

This event is a great way to enjoy the holidays, learn something new, and spend time with friends. Space is limited, so be sure to RSVP today!

[Register here: 2025 Holiday Workshop – Fill out form](#)

NEW Mandatory Safety Training

Monday, November 3, 2025

4-H members participating in rifle, pistol, or shotgun are required to attend **mandatory safety training**:

- Date:** Monday, November 3, 2025
- Time:** 6:30 PM
- Location:** Dry Frio Room – Uvalde Fairplex

This training is **required for participation** in all 4-H shooting sports programs. Please make sure your member attends!

NEW 4-H Record Book Training

District 10 hosted a **VIRTUAL Record Book Training** via Microsoft Teams on **Thursday, October 23, 2025**.

This training is **highly encouraged** for both new and experienced 4-H families to learn about the **updated record book format**.

If you were unable to attend, a **recording of the session is now available**. You can access it using the following link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=9_CDu8Gevc

Coming up!

TEXAS 4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

2026 Guidelines are now released — all scholarship information posted [HERE](#)
[Outside Scholarship List Outside Scholarships - Google Sheets](#)

NEW Southern Classic ([FLYER](#)) & TAMU AGR Christmas Cash Jackpot ([FLYER](#))

December 13-14, 2025

The 2025 Southern Classic Youth Livestock Project Experience is scheduled for Saturday, December 13 at the Brazos County Expo Complex! We are excited to offer individualized learning opportunities in Cattle, Sheep, Goats, Swine, Rabbits, & Poultry. NEW for 2025- Our workshops & show will be condensed into one day, Saturday, December 13. Exhibitors will still have the option to check in on Friday evening, December 12. Updates and details will be shared through the Facebook Event, which you can find [HERE](#)! Make plans to stick around for the Christmas Cash Jackpot hosted by the TAMU chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho [HERE](#).

NEW 2025 FALL NATIONAL 4-H AI CHALLENGE (AI in Agriculture)

November 15, 2025 DEADLINE

National 4-H has launched the National 4-H Fall Challenge. This fall's prompt is: "How can AI help solve problems in agriculture?" From improving crop yields and reducing food waste to supporting sustainability and innovation, the possibilities are endless, and we want to hear YOUR ideas! The challenge closes November 15, 2025. Check out this website for submission details, FAQs and judging rubrics: [Home - 4-H AI in Agriculture Challenge](#)

NEW 4-H ZOO APPRENTICE CAMP

December 8, 2025 Deadline

Explore the world of animals at Busch Gardens in Tampa, Florida! In this experience, the world's largest zoological organization partners with 4-H to offer a unique camping experience where 4-H'ers become amateur zookeepers, assist zoo staff behind the scenes, and observe animal care sessions. Two Camps are open to all 4-H Members - 4-H Junior Zoo Apprentice Camp for youth ages 11-13 & 4-H Zoo Apprentice for youth 14+! Truly a great way to spend winter break! Registration and complete details can be found: [CLICK HERE](#) Questions can be sent to Marcia Shannon, State 4-H Ag & Natural Resource Specialist, University of Missouri 573.882.7859 carlsonm@missouri.edu.

NEW 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING PROJECT GROUP (VIRTUAL)

Are you interested in improving your public speaking skills? Join this virtual 4-H group to connect with other youth and build confidence through fun, interactive learning. Meetings are held on the **third Thursday of each month**. For more information, contact **Cory Hundl** at cory.hundl@ag.tamu.edu .

NEW 4-H CLOVER CONNECTION RESOURCE

Recent 4-H alumni (those in college or in their early career years) can upload their resume to be shared with employers looking for new hires or interns. High school 4-H members & 4-H alumni in college can also find mentors to reach out to! Employers can browse through a library of resumes to find their next great hire and post job listings. Those established in their career can serve as a professional mentor!

[Access the 4-H Clover Connection TODAY](#)

Coming up!

TEXAS 4-H DOG VALIDATION

Texas 4-H Dog Validation will open on Saturday, November 1st. All validations must be completed by January 10th (this is a Saturday!!!) Below are some helpful resources.

[Guide - New Validation](#)

[Guide - Incomplete Validation](#)

[Guide - Resubmit Validation](#)

[Guide - Renew Validation](#)

[Guide - Delete Validation](#)

[Validation Status](#)

The video available for validation from last year is at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eogx1Dv3WQI>

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU CONVENTION YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

NEW

January 11, 2026

Calling All 4-H Members! Attend the Youth Leadership Program at the American Farm Bureau Convention — FREE! The American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) is excited to offer a unique national opportunity for 4-H, members on January 11, 2026! From January 9-14, 2026, AFBF will host its 107th Annual Convention and Trade Show in Anaheim, California. As part of this event, a special Youth Leadership Program will be held on Sunday, January 11th, exclusively for youth members of our partnering youth agricultural organizations. This one-of-a-kind experience will allow students to: Connect with farmers and ranchers as well as industry leaders from across the country; Network with other youth leaders, learn together and build valuable leadership skills; Attend the Empowering Young Leaders reception with AFBF President Zippy Duvall. Learn more and register now by clicking [HERE](#).

NEW

MORE UPCOMING CONTESTS!

Wilson County Show Cattle Clinic – Saturday, November 8, 2025

- ◆ [FLYER](#)
- ◆ Showmanship Cattle Clinic followed by Showmanship Contest.

Wilson County Archery Project—12th Annual Clout Tournament—Saturday, November 8, 2025

- ◆ [FLYER](#)
- ◆ Mailed entries due November 5th. Online Registration will be available.

Guadalupe County 4-H Sumo Bot Contest—Saturday, December 6, 2025

- ◆ [FLYER](#)
- ◆ Deadline to register is November 21, and the cost is \$60 per team (2-4 kids per team). View the registration flyer at the link above for the link to register and the contest rules.

Wilson County 4-H Livestock Judging Contest—Saturday, December 13, 2025

- ◆ [FLYER](#)
- ◆ Enter on Judging Card by December 12th at 12:00 PM, register at the contest or mail entries to Wilson County AgriLife Extension. Details on Flyer.

District 10 Archery Match—Saturday, December 13, 2025

- ◆ [FLYER](#)
- ◆ Register on 4HOnline. Regular registration ends November 18, 2025. Late registration ends November 21, 2025
- ◆ Details on Flyer. Guidelines found [HERE](#).

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Shooting Sports Coaches Trainings

District 6 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Andrews, TX)

- ◆ **When:** November 1-2, 2025 (Event Letter)
- ◆ **Registration Period:** September 19 – October 23, 2025 via 4HOnline
- ◆ **Cost:** \$140
- ◆ **Disciplines:** Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol

District 9 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Conroe, TX)

- ◆ **When:** November 8-9, 2025 ([Website](#))
- ◆ **Registration Period:** October 8 - 22, 2025 via 4HOnline
- ◆ **Cost:** \$140 (Includes meals, snacks, curriculum, and all training materials)
- ◆ **Disciplines:** Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol & Hunting & Wildlife

District 1 Shooting Sports Coach Training (Amarillo, TX)

- ◆ **When:** November 8-9, 2025 ([Event Letter](#))
- ◆ **Registration Period:** September 8 – October 24, 2025 via 4HOnline
- ◆ **Cost:** \$140 (Includes meals, snacks, curriculum, and all training materials)
- ◆ **Disciplines:** Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol

District 10 Shooting Sports Coach Training (La Vernia, TX)

When: November 15-16, 2025 ([Flyer](#))
Registration Period: October 6 – 28, 2025 (\$130) via 4HOnline
Late Registration: October 29– 31, 2025 (\$150) via 4HOnline
Cost: \$130 (Includes meals & materials)
Disciplines: Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol & Muzzleloading (tentatively)

NEW

SUBMIT YOUR MEMORABILIA FOR THE TEXAS 4-H MUSEUM

Texas 4-H is proud to announce that in 2026, we will be moving into a new headquarters building! This modern space will not only serve as the central hub for Texas 4-H operations, but it will also feature a dedicated exhibit honoring the rich history and legacy of 4-H in Texas. To bring this historical exhibit to life, we need your help! We are seeking historical memorabilia from 4-H alumni, families, clubs, and supporters across the state. Have something to share? Find the forms link [HERE](#).



AI CHALLENGE

Students and educators can participate in a unique opportunity to advance AI education for American youth! The Trump Administration is launching a yearlong challenge for K-12 students across the country to spark interest in Artificial Intelligence! Students who join the Presidential Challenge can access training & resources to help them complete a project that can either be a study or development of an AI method or tool to solve a local community problem. Participants can choose to enter their projects into a competition for the chance to showcase their work at a White House event next summer. More information to follow. Visit [AI.gov](#) to learn more.

UCJLS NEWS!

PHOTOGRAPHY ENTRIES

November 3, 2025 @ 5:00 PM—NO EXCEPTION OR LATE ENTRY ALLOWED

Don't miss the chance to showcase your unique perspective in the UCJLS Photography Contest—It's the perfect opportunity to showcase your passion—whether it's livestock, nature or something else. See page 25 of the [UCJLS+RULES+-+2025-2026.pdf](#) for more information.



MARKET BROILERS ORDERS DUE!

November 3, 2025

Students interested in showing market broilers at the Uvalde County Junior Livestock Show (UCJLS) must order their chicks through the following link: [Market Broiler Order Form](#). All chicks come from a single hatchery, ensuring every participant starts on an even playing field.

Market broilers are a great entry project, especially for families who may not have space for larger livestock. They're easy to handle, cost is relatively low, housing is simple, pens are lightweight, and at the end of the project, they provide meat for the table.



Raising broilers is an excellent first step for youth to gain experience, responsibility, and confidence in animal care while participating in UCJLS. Contact Jill Cox at 830-333-5777 for more information.

SWINE VALIDATION

November 6, 2025 @ 4:00 PM—Sabinal High School

November 8, 2025 @ 8:00 AM—Uvalde High School

Please ensure your child is enrolled in 4-H and have completed their Quality Counts (if Needed) Reminder that you MUST have all 4 actions complete to validate! 1-Be a REGISTERED member of 4-H or FFA, 2-All entries completed on [passport.fairwire.com](#), 3-Concession stand sign-up by parent, and 4-buyers dinner setup sign-up by exhibitor (Links for 3 & 4 can be found on [ucjls.org](#)).

QUALITY COUNTS INFORMATION

Quality Counts enrollment is required for **new members who have not shown before** or for those **moving up to a new division** (for example: Junior, Grades 3–5 → Intermediate, Grades 6–8 → Senior, Grades 9–12).

Enrollment is completed online by following the instructions here: [Quality Counts Enrollment Instructions](#).

- ♦ *Please note:* Quality Counts is required for all **major livestock shows**. Each exhibitor must complete the course **before entry deadlines**.



“We make a living by what we get,
but we make a life by what we give.”

— Winston Churchill

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