MEDINA COUNTY 4-H

NEWSLETTER

September 2026

1506 Ave M. Hondo, Tx Website: https://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/medina-county/ Ph 830-741-6180

TX4H

TX4H is our new enrollment platform! You will need to make a new account as we are switching to a brand new website. You will need to create a new family profile and member profiles in the new platform. We will be using the account email on our email list, if you would like multiple emails added please contact the office.
https://tx4h.tamu.edu/

UPCOMING COUNTY EVENTS

SEP 9 - Show Poultry Workshop
SEP 10 - 4-H Open House
SEP 12-13 - MCJLS Cattle Prospect Show
SEP 17 - Food & Nutrition Kickoff
SEP 19 - MCJLS Goat & Lamb Prospect Show
SEP 21 - Major Show Broilers Due
SEP 27 - Commercial Heifer Validation
SEP 28 - Swine Tag Orders Due
OCT 17 - Lamb & Goat Validation
OCT 22 - County Food & Nutrition Contests (Tentative)
OCT 30 - County Show Broilers Due
NOV 14 & 15 - Swine Validation

***Like us on Facebook to get news about 4-H events and contests throughout the year!**

UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

SEP 14 - D10 Shooting Sports Coaches Training Registration opens
SEP 25 - Guadalupe Co. Food Challenge
SEP 25 - Desserts on Dispay Deadline
SEP 29 - D10 Shooting Sports Coaches Training Registration closes
SEP 30 - D10 Support Squad Application Deadline
OCT 1 – Norman Borlaugh Youth In Ag Program DEADLINE
OCT 4-10 - National 4-H Week
OCT 31 - Texas Beekeeping Photo Contest Deadline
NOV 1 - SPARK 2026! Registration Deadline

***Go to District 10 4-H website for District events**

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE & FACEBOOK:
https://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/medina-county/
https://www.facebook.com/4HMedinaCounty/

LIVESTOCK PROJECT NEWS

LIVESTOCK VALIDATION INFO

COMMERCIAL HEIFER: Validation from 1-3pm, Medina County Fairgrounds
HEIFER: Validation will be October 18th from 2-4pm
LAMB & GOATS: Validation will be October 17th from 9-11am at the Hondo FFA Center
SWINE: Tag Orders are due September 28th

- Validation Dates: November 14th at Medina Valley FFA Project Center from 8-10am, Natalia FFA Project Center from 11-12pm, Devine FFA Project Center from 1-3pm
- Validation Dates: November 15th at Hondo FFA Project Center from 2-4pm.

TURKEYS: Tentative pick-up date is November 11th
POULTRY: Major Show Broilers due September 21st - $45/box / County Show Broilers due October 30th - $45/box
RABBIT: Validation will be December 21st from 9-11am at the Devine Ag Mech Classroom

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAJOR SHOW SIGN UP

- Major Show Sign-Up will be November 2-6th during regular office hour of 8:00-5:00pm. We will be open for lunch during this week. On November 5th we will be open until 7:00pm.
- Ft. Worth entries are due November 6th at 5:00pm. Ft. Worth **DOES NOT** allow late entries!
- You will be assessed a $100 late fee for any entries turned in after Nov. 6th. (there are no late entries for Ft. Worth)

MCJLS CATTLE PROSPECT SHOW - September 12th - $45/head
MCJLS GOAT & LAMB PROSPECT SHOW - September 19th - $35/head
SOUTH TEXAS DOUBLE TROUBLE PROSPECT SHOW - October 30th - $50/head
MCJLS SWINE PROSPECT SHOW - November 7th - $45/head

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Upcoming Practice Dates:

- September 22nd at 6:00pm
- September 28th at 6:00pm

****** September 30th is the LAST DAY to join the livestock judging team! If you are interested please contact the office ASAP.**

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

- Livestock Judging
- Horse Judging
- Horse Show
- Meat Judging
- Wool & Mohair Judging
- Educational Presentations
- Public Speaking
- Skillathons
  - Beef, Sheep, Swine, Livestock
- Quizbowls
  - Horse, Livestock

NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT NEWS

PROJECTS & TEAMS

- Shooting Sports - Smallbore Rifle, Shotgun, & Archery
- Western Heritage
- Outdoor Education and Living Skills
- Range Science & Plant ID
- Entomology
- Sportfishing

CHECK OUT: medina.agrilife.org/4-H for more info on our natural resources projects and a link to trainings and contests available throughout the year.

UPCOMING DATES

SEP 14-29 - D10 Shooting Sports Coaches Training Registration - Seguin
OCT 1-27 - D10 Fall Roundup Registration
OCT 17 - D10 Seguin Coaches Training
NOV 16-DEC 15 - D10 Shooting Sports Coaches Training Registration - La Vernia
DEC 5 - D10 Archery Match
JAN 9-10 - D10 La Vernia Coaches Training

*Contact the office if you are interested in joining a project and we can provide you with the adult leaders contact info.

FCH PROJECT NEWS

UPCOMING DATES

SEP 17 - Food & Nutrition Kickoff
SEP 25 - Guadalupe Co. Food Challenge & Desserts on Display registration deadline
OCT 9 - Food Show & Food Challenge County entry forms
OCT 10 - Guadalupe Co. Desserts on Display
OCT 11 - Guadalupe Co. Food Challenge
OCT 22 - County Contests

OPPORTUNITIES

- Food Show
- Food Challenge
- FCH Quizbowl
- AG Product ID
- Fashion Storyboard
- Natural Fiber Contest
- Youth Showcase (county)
  - Baking, canning, sewing, photography, art, dried goods
- Consumer Decision Making
- Educational Presentations
- Duds to Dazzle
- Fashion Show

- **We will be posting new Rules & Guidelines once they are available! There have been some changes so please be sure to review the new guidelines for practices!**
- **Entry Forms will be uploaded to the website by 9/15 Entry forns will be**

CLOVER KID FOOD SHOW - We are wanting to gauge interest on a Clover Kid Food Show (Ages 5-7). Please fill out the Google Form if your Clover Kid is interested in participating!

Food & Nutrition Project Kickoff Meeting

Date/Time
September 17, 2026
5:30-6:30pm

Location
Medina County Extension Office
1506 Ave M. Hondo, Tx

Please attend if you are new to 4-H and/or interested/planning on participating in the Food Show or Food Challenge. We will discuss updates for the county and district contest.

We will discuss:

- Food Show Theme
- Food Show
- Food Challenge
- Participation Info & Rules
- Project Meetings
- Contest Opportunities

Please RSVP to the Medina County Extension Office at 830-741-6180 or silia.lopez@ag.tamu.edu

2026 Guadalupe County Fair

FOOD CHALLENGE

Sunday, October 11
Guadalupe County Coliseum
Check in: 12:30
Contest: 1:15

- Cost is $40per team
- 3-4 youths per team
- Teams can be from any youth org

Deadline to register is Sept. 25

Registration form can be found Here

Contact Matt Miranda For more info at mjmiranda@ag.tamu.edu

GUADALUPE COUNTY 4-H & GUADALUPE CO. FAIR PRESENT:

Youth Desserts on Display Contest

- Saturday, October 10,
- 2 PM @ Seguin Coliseum
- Cost is $25 per team/ind

DEADLINE IS SEPT. 25 AT 5PM!

ENTRY FORM AT:

MAIL OR DROP OFF PAYMENT TO COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE, 210 EAST LIVE OAK, SEGUIN, TEXAS

CONTACT MJMIRANDA@AG.TAMU.EDU FOR MORE INFO

CLUB MANAGERS

4-H Club	Manager (s)	Phone #
Castroville	Krista Binford Amber Haby Pennie Robertson	210-364-5568 210-316-3867 210-625-2364
Devine	Tiffany Klein Lauren Garrison	830-456-5231 719-680-4456
D'Hanis	Laurie Henefey	830-426-6260
Hondo Intermediate (3rd-5th)	Sarah Reus Madeline Steubing	979-220-8414 830-426-0160
Hondo Jr High (6th-8th)	Nicole Steubing Sandy Steubing	830-423-4589 830-931-5327
Hondo Sr High (9th-12th)	Vicky Steubing Laurie Lentz	210-275-3973 210-213-2088
LaCoste	Laura Kohlleppel Tonyha Johnson Kari Menchaca	210-288-5645 210-837-5616 210-508-3401
Rio Medina	Michael Zinsmeyer Rikki Zinsmeyer	830-931-5390 830-931-3368
Clover Kids Hondo	Madeline Steubing	830-426-0160

Club Manager Report Form

This form is for Club Managers ONLY. The QR code takes you to the link to the Google Form for the Monthly Club Manager Report Form. You can submit via the Google Form or the paper form on our website.

Project Interest Form

If you are a 4-H member interested in joining a team or project fill out the form and we can provide you with contact information, practice dates, etc.

Next 4-H Meeting Dates

Mark your calendars...

Castroville - Sunday, Oct. 11 @6:00pm
Castroville American Legion
Devine - Tuesday, Oct. 13 @6:00pm
Devine Intermediate Cafeteria
D'Hanis - Wednesday, Oct. 7 @7:30pm
D'Hanis Community Center
Hondo - Sunday, Oct. 11 @5:00pm
St Paul Lutheran Church
LaCoste - Monday, Oct. 5 @6:30pm
LaCoste VFW - 11230 Castro Ave.
Rio Medina - Sunday, Oct 111 @5:00pm
Roger's Ranch

Remind Code:
medina4h

Facebook:

HOW TO CONTACT US

We welcome any calls or emails and will respond in a timely manner.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 D'Hanis 4-H Club Meeting	3	4	5
6	7	8 Devine 4-H Club Meeting	9	10 4-H Open House	11	12 MCJLS Cattle Prospect Show
13 Castroville, Hondo & Rio Medina 4-H Club Meetings	14 LaCoste 4-H Club Meeting	15	16	17 Food & Nutrition Kickoff	18	19 MCJLS Lamb & Goat Prospect Show
20	21 County Council Meeting	22	23	24	25	26
27 Commercial Heifer Validation	28 Swine Tags Due	29 Club Manager Meeting	30			

Upcoming news...

October

October 9 - Food Show & Food Challenge Entries Due

October 17 – Lamb & Goat Validation

October 22 - County Food & Nutrition Contests

October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5 LaCoste 4-H Club Meeting	6	7 D'Hanis 4-H Club Meeting	8	9 Food & Nutrition Entry Forms Due	10
11 Hondo Clubs, Rio Medina Club & Castroville Club Meeting	12	13 Devine 4-H Club Meeting	14	15	16	17 Lamb & Goat Validation
18	19	20	21	22 Food Show & Food Challenge Contest	23	24
25	26 County Broiler Orders Due	27	28	29	30	31 TRICK OR TREAT

Upcoming in November

November 2-6th - Major Show Signup Week
Nov 14-15th - Swine Validation
Nov. 11th - Office Closed
Nov. 26-27th - Office Closed