Denton County Livestock Judging teams did an outstanding job at the District IV Livestock Judging Contest.

Details about upcoming events, spotlights from our current year, highlights from past events, and important deadlines can be found here.

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Like our Facebook page to get all the latest Denton County 4-H news! @DentonCounty4H

Follow us on Instagram @DentonCounty4H

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IMPORTANT DATES

Summer Validation Tag Orders
Lamb & Goat Late Tag Orders Due June 1st
Steer & Heifer Late Tag Orders Due June 1st

County Record Books
Due May 26th

District Record Book
Registration Opens: June 1
Registration Closes: June 16

Validation Dates
June 23rd 6:00am-10:00am @ North Texas Fairgrounds
June 27th 6:00am-10:00am @ North Texas Fairgrounds

District IV Ultra Leadership Lab
Registration: May 25th - June 8th
June 27th-29th

Gold Star Awards Due
June 30th
District IV Roundup

1st Place:
Madie Holland - Fashion Show (Buying - Fantastic Fashion)
TyLee Wright - Fashion Show (Construction - Everyday Living)
Briar Bannahan - Educational Presentation (Animal Science)
Campbell Real - Educational Presentation (Animal Science)
TyLee Wright - Duds to Dazzle Class 1
McKinnley Rupp - Duds to Dazzle Class 1
Allie Holt - Duds to Dazzle Class 1

2nd Place:
Cal Kervin - Food Show
Allie Holt - Public Speaking
TyLee Wright - Duds to Dazzle Team Spirit Award
McKinnley Rupp - Duds to Dazzle Team Spirit Award
Allie Holt - Duds to Dazzle Team Spirit Award

3rd Place:
Lacy Mathney - Educational Presentation (Open Ag)
McKinnley Rupp - Educational Presentation (Open)
Erik Dieterich - Healthy Lifestyles Invitational

4th Place:
Allie Holt - Food Show

5th Place:
Katy Throneberry - Healthy Lifestyles Invitational
McKinnley Rupp - Food Show
What's up Denton County?

I can not believe that May is already here. Before you know it, everyone will be on summer vacation. If you are looking for something to do this summer, we have plenty of opportunities for you! We have reached capacity for our Clover Kid Camp and Day 1 of the FCH Bootcamp. If you are looking to volunteer hours, enjoy being around clover kids, or have a passion for food & nutrition we need your help. Please reach out to the office and let us know if you can volunteer for even one day. These summer camps are going to be a great recruitment event for all of our clubs!

Also at the end of May, County Record Books are due. Check out one of my Steven's Spotlight videos on YouTube to learn more about the record book process. This year the district is going virtual and you have the option to do that for our county contest as well. The due date is a little earlier so we can help you get that book ready before the deadline for districts! You are not alone, your club leaders and myself are here to help you!

Until next time,
Steven Baringer
4-H & Youth Development Agent
steven.baringer@ag.tamu.edu | 940-349-2884

April was National Volunteer Appreciation Month! We are thankful for our volunteers every month for the countless hours they spend giving back to the 4-H program and their positive outlook! Thank you for all that you do!
County Council & Parent Leaders Association

Meeting & Officer Elections - May 16th at 6:30pm

This is our last meeting of the 4-H year. Both groups will be electing officers.

Applications for County Council can be found on denton.agrilife.org under the 4-H resources tab. Council officer application nominations are due to the office on May 13th. The following offices will be elected: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Healthy & Safety Officer, 2 - District IV Council Delegates.

The offices for our Parent Leaders Association are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Depositor, District Delegate.

Denton County 4-H Shooting Sports

**AG LEADERSHIP 4-H**

Disciplines: Archery, Shotgun, Rifle & Pistol

- Archery
  - Meets 2nd Sunday afternoon of the month at the North Texas Fair Ground at 2:00
- Shotgun
  - Meets 3rd Sunday afternoon of the month at the Fossil Pointe Sporting Grounds (near Decatur) at 2:30
- Rifle/Pistol
  - Meets 4th Sunday afternoon of the month at the Fossil Pointe Sporting Grounds (near Decatur) at 2:30
- Contact Benjie Talley at BTALLEY@TEAMLANDMARK.COM or Travis Bland at TRAVIS.BLAND@DFAMILK.COM

**ARGYLE 4-H**

Disciplines: Pistol & Rifle

- Practices are at Eagle Gun Range in Lewisville 1st & 3rd Thursday at 6:00 PM
- Cost is $5 for the shooting range
- Contact is Mark Dieterich at DMD5@MINDSPRING.COM
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Denton County 4-H**  
**Summer 2022 Dates**

- **May 26**  
  County Record Books Due

- **June 1**  
  County Record Book Judging  
  *We need at least one volunteer from each club to help us judge*

- **June 6-9**  
  Texas 4-H Roundup

- **June 13-17**  
  Farm to Table Camp  
  *Flyer to come. Hosted by Denton Parks & Rec for kids (6-11)*

- **June 27-29**  
  D4 Ultra Leadership Lab  
  *District Camp for senior 4-H members, this year it will be at Camp Copass in Denton!*

- **June 30**  
  County Gold Star Awards Due

- **July 6**  
  Interview Workshop

- **July 12-14**  
  County Clover Kids Camp  
  *FULL! However, there is a wait list*

- **July 13**  
  Gold Star Interviews

- **July 17-20**  
  Texas 4-H Congress

- **July 27**  
  County 4-H Expo  
  *This will be a fun night to showcase everything Denton County 4-H has to offer! Save the date and ask the office to help.*

- **August 2 & 4**  
  County 4-H & FCH Boot camp  
  *Day 1 is FULL! However, there is a wait list*

- **August 8**  
  Project Leader Training  
  Club Manager Training

- **August 13**  
  Gold Star Banquet
**Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School**

**When:**
June 19-23, 2022

**Where:**
Stephenville, TX.

**Cost:** $485.00
Includes meals, lodging, stall rental, practice calves.
Make checks payable to (Texas 4-H Roping School).
Deadline for applications is May 1st.

Negative Coggins is required and must be mailed in with your application.

Please see link below for complete details:
Roping School - Google Drive

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**YOUTH STOCK HORSE CLINIC & SHOW**

**HOSTED & TAUGHT BY THE Tarleton Stock Horse Team**

**MAY 7-8, 2022**

**WHERE**
Lone Star Arena
Stephenville, Texas

Get some tips on the Stock Horse classes before the District & State 4-H Shows!

**SIGN UP AT:**
StockHorsetexas.org

- Purchase clinic spots online
- Pre-register for the show
  You do not have to ride in the clinic to participate in the show. 4-H or SHTX enrollment is not required.

Thanks to these sponsors:
Stephenville Equine Sports Medicine • ACM Animal Nutrition • EquiBrand • Signature Equine Hospital

**SATURDAY**
May 7, 2022
Stock Horse Clinic
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
$75 includes 1 stall, 3 hours of instruction & lunch on Saturday

**SUNDAY**
May 8, 2022
Youth Ranch Horse Show
On-site registration at 8 a.m. Show starts at 9 a.m.

**SHOW FEES**
$5 per class OR
$15 enter it all

**RANCH SHOW CLASSES**
- Stock Horse Showmanship
- Halter
- Stock Horse Pleasure
- Stock Horse Trail
- Stock Horse Horsemanship

**BUCKLES, RIBBONS & DOOR PRIZES**

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**District IV 4-H**

**Shooting Sports Coaches Certification**

Saturday - October 15, 2022

**Disciplines Covered:** Shotgun, Rifle, Archery, and Pistol

Opening Program
Bowie County Courthouse

Discipline Trainings
Local Ranges

Complete Registration Packet can be found on the District IV 4-H Website at https://d44-h.tamu.edu/

- **Registration in 4H Online**
  Opens: Sept. 7
  Closes: Sept. 21

- **Online Green Injection Module Prior to the Training**
- **In-Person Classroom and Range Training**

**Texas 4-H Roundup**

**Invitational Contests**

- Agricultural Product Identification
- Archery
- Discover Scientific Method Research Poster
- Entomology Identification
- Healthy Lifestyles
- Hippology
- Livestock Judging
- Meat Judging & Identification
- Livestock Skill-a-thon
- Photography Judging
- Poultry Judging
- Range Evaluation
- Range & Pasture Grass Identification
- Soil Judging
- Robotics Challenge
- Veterinary Science Skill-a-thon
- Wildlife Challenge
- Wool & Mohair Judging & Evaluation

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**DENTON COUNTY 4-H**
APERTURE ACADEMY
TEXAS 4-H CONFERENCE CENTER

LEARN BASIC PHOTOGRAPHY SKILLS AND TECHNIQUES

JULY 10-13
GRADES 5-8
$250/YOUTH
$135/ADULTS
Registration late fee
$50 after June 19

Join us this summer for a new and exciting camp where youth will learn the basics of photography. This camp is geared for beginners and promises hands-on learning in a fun camp atmosphere.

Register online at texas4hcenter.tamu.edu. Hurry, limited slots available!

WHAT IS APERTURE ACADEMY?

This is a 4-day camp where participants will have the opportunity to learn basic photography skills and techniques from our best leaders and ambassadors. Youth will participate in hands-on activities and lessons on the grounds of the Texas 4-H Conference Center. Campers will learn about:
- Types and care of cameras and equipment
- How the Camera Works
- Manual Settings
- Lighting
- Exposure
- Principles of Design
- Composition and Techniques

4-H CENTER FACTS

The 4-H Center is part of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and has been in the youth camping business since 1978! The Center is located on Lake Brownwood, in the geographic center of the State. Accredited by the American Camp Association (ACAL), families are assured of a quality program and facility that meets rigorous standards.
- Accommodations — youth are housed, by gender, in air-conditioned dormitories.
- Each dorm has its own restroom and shower facilities.
- Staff — program coordinated by Youth Professionals of AgriLife Extension and college interns.
- Health Care — nurse on duty 24/7. All medications are administered by the nurse.
- Meals — a full time staff provides three wholesome, balanced meals each day.
- Lunch and Dinner include a self-serve salad bar, ensuring there’s something for everyone.

Early registration, February 1—June 19. Pay a $50 deposit and the rest of the fee is due June 28th. Late registration, additional $50 late fee. Registration covers all meals, lodging, refreshments, health care services, facility and programming fees for the 3 night, 4 day event. Registrations accepted on a first come first served basis until the camp is filled. Youth are assigned to dormitories with other youth based on age; youth may request a dorm roommate during the registration process. Please note any food allergies or special meal requests (gluten free, vegetarian, etc.) on the registration form.

REGISTER NOW ON THE TEXAS 4-H CENTER WEBSITE AT: TEXAS4HCENTER.TAMU.EDU

Applications open April 1!

Must be at least 14 years old and in high school for the 2022/2023 academic year

For more information visit www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com

Growing the next generation of water leaders!
FARM TO TABLE CAMP


Bring the farm to your table! Learn where food comes from and how to prepare it in a healthy way.

In partnership with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

Clear Creek Natural Heritage Center
3310 Collins Road
June 13-17, 9 a.m. - Noon.
$65 per child
Ages 6-11

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES

Join us for a special 4-H Day
Begin Your Tomorrow at Texas A&M University
April 28, 2022
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Costs: $20.00
Open to 4-H Officers that are Sophomores & Juniors in High School
Participants (youth, adults and County Extension Agents) must register for TAMU 4-H Day on 4-H ONLINE https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/4honline/

Come learn what is special about Texas A&M University that will lead you to exciting majors and careers. Find out more about our unique qualities that make us stand out from other Universities.

Spend the day with us engaged in programs that will lead you to your future.
- Hear from current students on how to be an Aggie and participate in a panel discussion
- Learn to be successful in college by taking advantages of services on campus
- Discover career development opportunities
- Learn about international agriculture & possibilities to travel abroad
- Broaden your leadership skills through opportunities on campus such as research, internships and student organizations

This will be a day like no other!
Come see what is offered in the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences

Texas 4-H Center

• County Camp I: June 15-18, 2022
  o Y: $250, A: $135
• County Camp II: July 3-6, 2022
  o Y: $250, A: $135
• County Camp III: July 6-8, 2022
  o Y: $200, A: $110
• Horizons I: June 21-24, 2022
  o Y: $250, A: $135
• Horizons II: June 26-28, 2022
  o Y: $300, A: $160
• Mission Possible: June 27-29, 2022
  o C: $200, M: $150
• Prime Time I: July 10-13, 2022
  o Y: $250, A: $135
• Prime Time II: July 13-16, 2022
  o Y: $250, A: $135

Grades 3-9

Grades 4-8

Camper: Grades 3-12
Mentors: Grades 9-12

Grades 5-8

Grades 5-6

Register Now
https://texas4hc.tamu.edu

For further details, visit us at: https://texas4hc.tamu.edu

Virtual TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN FISHING SKILL-A-THON 2022

Program Highlights:
- Register individually as a 4-H youth (grades 3-12) or as a Cloverbud (grades K-2) via 4HOnline at https://tx4honline.com/
- Cloverbud Kids - FREE to participate and will receive a participation certificate
- Rules to be listed January 18 at https://tamu.edu/texashuntered

Spring Tournament:
- Registration February 1-28, 2022
- Fish: March 11-12: 12:00 pm thru May 5 at 11:59 pm
- Summer Tournament:
  - Registration May 1-31, 2022
  - Fish June 1-13: 12:00 pm thru August 31 at 11:59 pm

More Ways to Win:
- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam - catch 5 different fish species within species division
- Wild Card - random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

Fees:
- $50 flat rate per division per 4-H participant
- $500 flat rate per division per Cloverbud participant

Contact Annette H. Meisinger, Ph.D., Extension Program Specialist at meisinger@tamu.edu

All participants of Texas 4-H, AgriLife will provide equal opportunities for programs and activities regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, sex, gender expression or gender identity and will not discriminate against any other protected status.

For further details, visit us at: https://texas4hc.tamu.edu
** CLUB DIRECTORY **

** AGRICULTURE LEADERSHIP **
Meets 5:00pm @ North Texas Fair Grounds on the 2nd Sunday of each month.  
Club Leaders: Pasha Tieszen, ttieszen@sprynet.com; Sue Real, suereal99@gmail.com.  
Projects include: livestock, livestock judging, food & nutrition, shooting sports, public speaking, archery, clothing textiles, rabbits, photography, and more.

** ARGYLE 4-H **
Meets 6:30pm @ Argyle Middle School on the 1st Tuesday of each month.  
Club Leaders: Emily Holt, holt_emily@hotmail.com; Tina Dieterich, acid@mindspring.com; Brenda James, scoresjoker10@gmail.com.  
Projects include: food & nutrition, shooting sports, clothing/textiles, robotics, entomology, rabbits, and more.

** DENTON COUNTY STEM CLUB **
Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month 6pm @ Denton South Branch Library. Club Leaders: Jordan Rivera, Eloise Kuehnert, Erin Tran; denton4hstemclub@gmail.com  
Projects are focused on Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and Robotics.

** HEART OF DENTON **
Meets 2:00pm-3:00pm @ American Legion Post 71 on the last Sunday of each month.  
Club Leaders Include: Debra Nobles and Ed Nobles, mebee414@gmail.com, enobles53@yahoo.com; Beverly Hayes, lbhayes@pwhome.com  
Projects include: rabbits, chickens, leadership, community service, and more.

** NORTH TEXAS VETERINARY SCIENCE **
Meets 7:00pm @ North Texas Fairgrounds on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.  
Contact: northtexasvetscience@gmail.com  
Projects include: veterinarian science, animal projects, food & nutrition, and more.

** PILOT POINT 4-H **
Meets 2:00pm @ Pilot Point Church of Christ Annex on the 2nd Sunday of each month.  
Club Leaders: Mary Bridges, bridgesm39@msn.com; Dana Braack, dana.braack@yahoo.com.  
Projects include: in gardening, food & nutrition, clothing/textiles, livestock, public speaking, and more.

** SILVER SADDLE 4-H **
Meets 7:00pm at The Downtowner in Denton on the 2nd Thursday of each month.  
Club Leaders: Tracy McCarty, tribemccarty@gmail.com; Jayme Wright, jaymwr4h@gmail.com  
Projects include: horses, dogs, food & nutrition, and more.

** LITTLE ELM 4-H **
The Little Elm 4-H Club is one of Denton County’s newest 4-H Club! More details are coming soon!  
Contact: LittleElm4H@gmail.com

** HELPING HANDS **
Meets @ 5:30pm at the Aubrey Public Library on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.  
Contact: dentoncountyhelpinghands4h@outlook.com  
Projects include: gardening, sportfishing and food & nutrition.

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Clubs may offer other projects that are not listed and are always open to new ideas.
If you have any questions, please contact victoria.scott@dentoncounty.gov

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