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Lake Dallas ISD Food & Nutrition Showcase, sponsored by Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell
IMPORTANT DATES

Ultra Leadership Lab
June 27th-29th
Registration Closes: June 8th via 4HOnline

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

Club Chater Deadline
June 6th

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

Gold Star Awards/Club Manager Award Nomination
Due June 30th

Gold Star Interview Workshop
July 6th @ 2pm
Extension Office
HIGHLIGHTS

LDISD Food & Nutrition Showcase
Hey everyone,

I want to give a special shoutout to our 21 4-H members who submitted a County Record Book! I know how big of a task this is to take on but you all got it done and that is what matters!

This summer is full of opportunities for you to stay involved with 4-H. We still have spots open on our STEM Camp, FCH Bootcamp Day 2, and our interview workshop. All of these events are open to the public so you can invite your friends who are not in 4-H! This would be a great time for them to see what it is all about and for you to try something new.

Some of our senior members are headed to College Station next week for Roundup. They will be competing in Food Challenge, Livestock Judging, and Grace Real is running for State Council. We wish you all the best of luck and we know you will make Denton County proud!

Until next time,

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On May 19th at Lake Dallas Middle School, students from our 4-H Outreach Programs had a Cooking Showcase for their parents and school officials. Thank you Commissioner Mitchell for coming!
UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer 2022 Dates

- **June 3**  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
- **June 23**  Validation 6 - 10 am @ NTF
- **June 27**  Validation 6 - 10 am @ NTF
- **June 27-29**  D4 Ultra Leadership Lab
- **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
- **August 2 & 4**  County 4-H & FCH Boot camp
  *Day 1 is FULL! However, there is a wait list
- **August 8**  Project Leader Training
- **August 13**  Gold Star Banquet
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 1975! The Center is located on Lake Brownwood, in the geographic center of the State. Accredited by the American Camp Association (ACA), 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 room-mate 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

2022 ULTRA LEADERSHIP LAB

Members must be at least in the 9th Grade and not more than 12th grade by September 1 of the 2022-2023 4-H year and be at least 14 years old by the date of the camp.

Save the Date
June 27-21, 2022

Camp Copass
Denton, Texas

Camp Packet is now available on the District IV 4-H
Website at https://d44-h.tamu.edu/

Registration in 4HOnline
Opens: May 25, 2022 - Closes: June 8, 2022

Applications open July 1-31

STEM Ambassadors

COST: $145.00
INCLUDES A CAMP T-SHIRT

2023 2024 District Council Officer Candidates must have previously attended a District IV Leadership Lab. So if you are considering running next year, you MUST attend this year’s Lab.
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

Clear Creek Natural Heritage Center
3310 Collins Road
June 13-17, 9 a.m. - Noon.
$65 per child
Ages 6-11
Gold Star Award Applications Due June 30, 2022
https://denton.agrilife.org/awards/

4-H Gold Star Banquet Awards

**BRONZE STAR AWARD**
The Bronze Star Award is the highest award that a junior 4-H member can receive; and is awarded to an outstanding junior 4-H member. This may be received only once in a junior member’s 4-H career. Winners of the Bronze Star award shall receive a 4-H Bronze Award commendation.

**SILVER STAR AWARD**
The Silver Star Award is the highest award that an Intermediate 4-H member can receive; and is awarded to an outstanding intermediate 4-H member. This may be received only once in an Intermediate member’s 4-H career. Winners of the Silver Star award shall receive the 4-H Silver Award commendation.

**GOLD STAR AWARD**
The Gold Star Award is the highest award that a Senior 4-H member can receive; and is awarded to an outstanding Senior 4-H member. Winners of the Gold Star Award will receive the Gold Star Award commendation and a financial scholarship.

**DANFORTH “I DARE YOU”AWARD**
The “I Dare You!” Leadership Award recognizes those who, with a little encouragement, are ready to see themselves as leaders – young adults who are ready to take the dare. Winners of the Danforth “I Dare You” Award will receive an award commendation.

**FARM BUREAU CITIZENSHIP AWARD**
Recipients of this award are recognized as engaged and outstanding citizens in their communities and have went above and beyond. Winners of the Farm Bureau Citizenship Award will receive an award commendation.

**DENTON COUNTY 4-H AL PETTY SCHOLARSHIP**
Each year the Al Petty Scholarship is awarded to a deserving youth who completes an application and is selected by the scholarship committee.

**4-H CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD**
Each club may annually complete and return the Texas 4-H Club Standards of Excellence Report form. Clubs who meet the minimum criteria will receive a certificate.

**DISTRICT JACKETS**
4-H’ers who win first place in a District IV 4-H contest are eligible to receive a District Winner Jacket.

**RECORDBOOK AWARDS**
4-Hers who enter a Record Book in the Denton County 4-H Record Book competition shall receive a 4-H Project Pin and free admission (plus one free guest) to the Denton County 4-H Gold Star Banquet.

**PRESIDENT’S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD**
4-Hers who have accomplished an outstanding amount of volunteer hours qualify to receive the Presidential Volunteer Service Award

**FRIEND OF 4-H AWARD**
The recipient must have shown active support toward the 4-H program.

**RISING STAR AWARD**
Recipients of this award are recognized as going above and beyond while making the most of their short time in 4-H. Winners of the Rising Star Award will receive an award commendation.

**CLUB SUPERSTAR AWARD**
This award is to recognize an individual that shows a strong commitment to their club and is very active in all of the clubs activities. This individual may not be the loudest in the room or the center of attention but the club would not be the same without them.
Gold Star Interview Workshop

Practice your interview skills for Gold Star interviews!!

JULY 6TH @ 2 PM
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, 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.
4-H ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

Tuesday, July 19, 2022, 1:00 - 4:00 PM
Fair Hall - North Texas Fairgrounds

This workshop is open to youth entering grades 6-12 and are new or interested in joining the 4-H Robotics Project. Youth will learn the basics before attempting to build their own robot. You do not have to be a 4-H member to attend this workshop and there is no cost associated with it.

Questions? Contact 940-349-2884 or victoria.scott@dentoncounty.gov

Register Here

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension provides equal opportunities in its programs and employment to all persons, regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, age, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.
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.