



Harris County 4-H

CLOVER CHRONICLES

April 2026



Is your club hosting an upcoming event? Would you like to invite 4-H members from across the county to participate in this opportunity?

Please email event details to kiara.carrasco@ag.tamu.edu so that we can spread the word!

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Visit our website for the full list of upcoming events!

Click [here](#) or scan the QR code



**MEET
THE
HARRIS
COUNTY
4-H
TEAM!**



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Great work River Oaks 4-H!

To make the best better.

River Oaks 4-H had a booth at the Urban Harvest Farmer's Market. They provided seeds, growing containers, and education to the community.



Harris County Council Giving Back



Harris County Council, led by President, Dev Patani served the community of the Parsons House in Cypress. The Parson's House is an assisted living care center. 4-H members served that community by playing games, painting nails, and engaging with the residents.



KATY LIVE OAK 4-H CLUB

TREE AND

PLANT

SALE



Pink
Nearly
Wild
Rose



**PURPLE
VITEX**



Red
knock
out
rose



Ligustrum



White
Gardenia



**WAX
MYRTLE**

All 3 gallon pots All \$30 each



QR code to
Order form



2026 Summer Livestock Validation Tag Order Updates

Look For Livestock Tag Order Information in your email from
Steven Frederick.

2026 Tag order details:

Tag order date(s)/price-

Steers-

Early orders- March 2nd - March 27th by 4:00pm (\$30)

Late orders- March 27th after 4pm - May 1st (\$35)

Lamb/Goat-

Early orders- March 2nd - March 27th by 4:00pm (\$25)

Late orders- March 27th after 4pm- May 1st (\$30)

Heifer-

Early orders -March 2nd - March 27th by 4:00pm (\$30)

Late orders - March 27th after 4pm- May 1st (\$35)

Swine-

Early Tags Open April 1st. Check your inbox!

**Email Steven.Frederick@ag.tamu.edu and
Brenna.Smith@ag.tamu.edu if there are any
questions.**

PenPal for Conservation program between Texas 4-H and the Mbakaou Wildlife Education Center (MWECC).



Texas 4-H youth are invited to join the PenPal for Conservation Exchange! Youth in grades 6–12 will connect with students at the Mbakaou Wildlife Education Center in Cameroon, Africa, by sharing letters, drawings, photos, and reflections about daily life, culture, and conservation. This global project promotes cultural exchange, environmental awareness, and meaningful connections between youth in Texas and Cameroon.



How to Participate

- **February 3 – Recruitment Begins**
- **Forty (40) Texas 4-H youth will be recruited and paired with youth from Cameroon. WhatsApp and Zoom will serve as the primary communication platforms for the exchange and will include Texas youth, Cameroon youth, and a designated adult educator in each monitored group.**
- **February–May – PenPal Exchange Activities**
- **March 16 – Participant Recruitment**
- **March 30 – Youth Pairs Assigned**
- **April 1 – Program Kickoff and Orientation**
- **Group Zoom Engagements (10:00 AM CST / 5:00 PM Cameroon)**
- **April 4**
- **May 2**
- **June 6**
- **July 4 or 11**
- **August 1**
- **August 15 – Final Reflection**

Ongoing Exchange

Participants will share letters, artwork, photos, and short videos through teacher-moderated WhatsApp groups. Monthly discussions and guided reflections during club meetings and Zoom sessions will focus on culture, conservation, and environmental practices.



👋 Pen Pal Letter 🇺🇸

Hello!

My name is Cindy, and I live in Texas, USA! I'm really happy to be your pen pal. 🌱 I'm part of 4-H, which teaches us about leadership, science, animals, and taking care of the environment. 🌿

🌻 About Texas

In the spring, Texas fields are covered in bluebonnets, or bright blue state flowers!



What is the nature like where you live?

🎨 My Hobbies

Here are some things I love:

- Drawing
- Listening to music
- Playing outside

🦋 Animals I Want to Learn About

I heard Cameroon has amazing wildlife!



🎨 My Hobbies

Here are some things I love:

- Drawing
- Listening to music
- Playing outside
- Learning science and art

Your friend from Texas,
Cindy



For more information: darlene.locke@ag.tamu.edu

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District 9 4-H Livestock

Judging Contest

(Open to D9 youth only)

May 2, 2026

Peace Pavilion- College Station



Registration Fee: \$25

Registration Opens:

- March 18, 2026

Registration Closes:

- April 1, 2026

Register via 4-Honline

For additional information about this event, check out the D-9 4-H website, scan the QR code or contact your county extension agent



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2026 TEXAS 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

SENIOR 4-H MEMBERS

15 CATEGORIES

4HONLINE ENTRY: APRIL 1-15, 2025

\$250 PER BEST OF SHOW



See website for complete rules and eligibility:
<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography/>

****County Qualifier, only for the first-place seniors from county****

AARON WATSON

JUNE 4TH | TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP



DEPARTMENT OF
ANIMAL &
FOOD SCIENCES

TEXAS TECH™ *Tailgate*

at

Texas 4-H Roundup

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3; 5-6:30 PM
REED ARENA - 2ND FLOOR

Cornhole, Drawings, Food & FUN
Food Provided by Raider Red Meats

Everyone is welcome!

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Over the next several weeks, we will be featuring different pieces of Texas 4-H Roundup to get you excited for the event! Don't forget, **registration opens April 13th. Check out all the event details at:**

<https://sites.google.com/view/texas4hroundup/home?authuser=0>

AARON WATSON CONCERT on Thursday, June 4th in Reed Arena following the awards assembly

Texas Tech University will be hosting a tailgate in the heart of Aggieland on Wednesday, June 3rd and invite all TTU enthusiasts to come enjoy food and fellowship before the awards ceremony!

Step By Step Christian School

SBS PTO
PROUDLY
PRESENTS

FAMILY FUN NIGHT APRIL 24TH



ALL ARE WELCOME

5:30 PM - 9:00 PM

FUN



FOOD



FELLOWSHIP



Get ready for an amazing night of fun, food, fellowship, and fundraising!



for more info...

Live & Silent Auction

- INFLATABLES
- FACE PAINTING
- HOT FOOD & SODA FLOATS
- ROCK WALL

SBS Lions

Call: +281-351-2888

1119 S. Cherry St.
Tomball, TX 77375

*Activities require a wristband
*Food for purchase



District 9 4-H Horse Judging

(Open to D-9 Youth Only)



April 18, 2026

**Brazos County Expo Complex
5827 Leonard Rd, Bryan, TX**

Registration opens March 11, 2026

Registration closes March 25, 2026

Registration fee: \$25.00

Register via 4HOnline



For more information please go to:

<https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/horse-judging/>



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2026 WOOL & MOHAIR JUDGING CONTESTS

MIDLAND

MIDLAND COUNTY
OFFICE

APRIL 10, 2026

FREDRICKSBURG

GILLESPIE COUNTY
OFFICE

APRIL 21, 2026

REGISTRATION FEES: \$25 PER PERSON PER CONTEST

REGISTRATION WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGH 4-H ONLINE SOON

COLLEGE STATION

PEARCE PAVILLION

MAY 2, 2026

SAN ANGELO

HEB BARN AT
FAIRGROUNDS

MAY 8, 2026

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TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Animal Science



Harris County 4-H

SAVE THE DATE

District 9 Robotics Contest

May 1, 2026



Rosenberg, Texas

Keep an eye on our website and social media for more information!



Harris County 4-H

SAVE THE DATE

Horse Validation Due

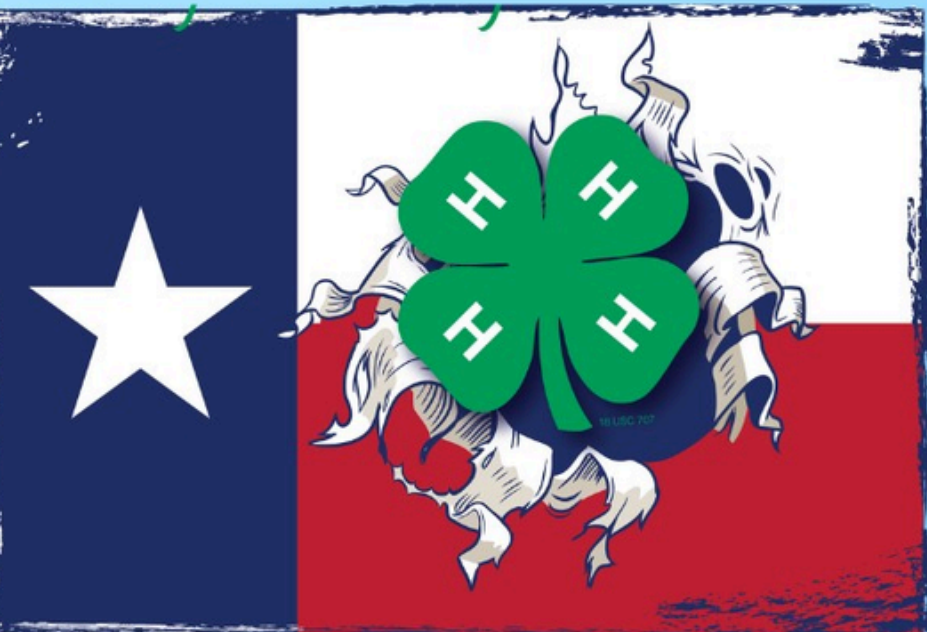
May 1, 2026



4-H Online

Big Time in D9 - 4-H Roundup

OPEN TO D9 4-H YOUTH ONLY



April 23-25, 2026

LONE STAR COLLEGE
-MONTGOMERY CAMPUS
3200 COLLEGE PARK DRIVE
CONROE, TX 77384-4500

REGISTRATION OPENS:
MARCH 18, 2026

REGISTRATION CLOSES:
APRIL 1, 2026

*Reminder - Robotics was moved to May 1st
at the Rosenberg Civic Center

Register via 4hOnline

\$15.00 per contest

For additional information:

<https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/bigtime/>

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Join us!

Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Applications Open March 1!

www.texas4hwaterambassadors.com

Leadership



Mentorship



Community Service



Deadline: April 15th
Scan for Information
to Apply!

Eligibility

- Applicants must be 14 years of age or older by September 1, 2026, and be entering the 9th- 12th grades for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Applicants must be or become a 4-H Member (\$30 annual membership fee)
- If accepted, applicants must pay \$300 membership fee by June 1st, 2026

Leadership Academies!

- SESSION 1 - Tier I 4-H₂O Leadership Academy (June 7 – June 12, 2026)
- SESSION 2 – Tier I 4-H₂O Leadership Academy (June 14 – June 18, 2026)

*Youth will be assigned to only one session.



Contact david.smith@ag.tamu.edu for any questions!

JUNE
15-19
2026

EXPLORE
Texas
Panhandle

Mission

TO PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE CAREER AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN A DIVERSE GLOBAL ECONOMY AS WELL AS LEARN ABOUT POST-SECONDARY DEGREE INSTITUTIONS ACROSS TEXAS



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Participants that are not selected for the 2026 CORE Academy will be refunded their \$250. Once selected, payments will not be refunded.



Core4H

\$250
With
Application

April
15th

GOALS

Includes

- 5 Day/4 Nights Exploration
- Hotel
- Meals
- Transportation

- Registration Deadline
- Payment **MUST** be Submitted

Experiences in

- Higher Education
- Career Choices
- Teambuilding
- Networking

Questions Please Contact

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830-796-7755

Jennifer Smith
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830-257-6568

CLICK
HERE

**Register
NOW**



2026 VIRTUAL

FAMILY SAFETY HEALTH CONFERENCE

Intended for parents and caregivers
who care for children of all ages



Saturday, May 02
9:00 AM to 12:00PM CST

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

Learn the appropriate use of child restraints and car safety belts to reduce deaths and injury.

KEEPING YOUR KIDS SAFE

Who is keeping your children safe in the childcare setting? Learn the do's and don'ts in selecting childcare.

LESS IS MORE

Approximately 10% of school-aged children are severely obese. Learn how to identify sugary foods and beverages that play a role in obesity.

REFRESH, RESET, RENEW

Parenting is hard work and can be stressful. Learn tips for self-care and ways to relieve stress.

OUTDOOR SAFETY

Texas summers can be hot and dangerous. Learn safety measures to practice while outside.

FAMILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Learn about the importance of family in the promotion of physical activity and health.



Each session will last 25
minutes with time for Q&A.
Event will be hosted on Teams.

REGISTER BY
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29



For more information:
713-274-0950
DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS



FAMILY &
COMMUNITY HEALTH



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Health and Human
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2026 4-H Beekeeping Essay

The Power of Pollen

DEADLINE:

Sunday, April 12, 2026

via 4HOnline



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8th Annual Knights of Columbus Sporting Clays

Copperhead Creek Shooting Club

7030 RM 1431, Marble Falls 78654

Saturday, May 9, 2026 . Checkin 8:45am

**Registration and Details:
<http://kcsportingclays.com>**



DISTRICT 9 4-H MEAT JUDGING & IDENTIFICATION

(OPEN TO D9 4-H YOUTH ONLY)

May 2, 2026

Rosenthal Meat Lab

Entry Fee: \$25.00

Registration Opens: March 18, 2026

Registration Closes: April 1, 2026

Register via 4-H Online

For additional information
about this event, check out the
D-9 4-H website, scan the QR
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<https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/meats-identification-and-evaluation/>

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HANDS HELPING HEROES

*2026 Texas 4-H
Community Service Project Challenge*

Firefighters, law enforcement officers, paramedics, and EMTs are there in life's toughest moments. Their work takes strength, resilience, and compassion under intense pressure. This year, we're collecting items to support first responders across Texas and say thank you for all they do.

**SUBMISSION
DEADLINE | MAY
15TH**



Items to Collect

- Water
- Gatorade
- Electrolyte Packets
- Beef Jerky
- Protein or Granola Bars
- Professional Grade First Aid Kits
- Small Toys (Balls, Stuffed Animals, Card Games)



Each county will collect donations locally and report totals using the official QR code. All items are to be distributed within the same community, ensuring support goes directly to local first responders. The county with the most donations will win a banner!





Presented by Texas 4-H Natural Resources Program

4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project State Contest

May 16-17, 2026

To be held in the Palo Duro Canyon State Park, Randall County
Contest is open to all 4-H Age Divisions (Jr., Int., Sr.)
Registration on 4HOnline - April 1-30, 2026

For more information on
Contest Ecoregion,
2026 Revised WHEP Manual,
Location Details,
please visit

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/wildlife-fisheries/>

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4-H Record Books Due May 28th

**Turn into the Harris County Extension
Office**

**13105 Northwest Freeway, Suite 1000,
Hosuton TX 77040**

If you have question, please email
Isabella.Fowler@ag.tamu.edu

APHA/4-H Futurity



Entries Open Soon!

JACKPOT SHOW



Texas 4-H

Classes designed specifically for the youth horse project:

- U Longe line
- U Fitting and Handling
- U Walk, Trot, Lope
- U Trail and Versatility

- Yearlings
- 2 Year Olds (w/T)
- 3 Year Olds

Western & English tack and attire welcome!

Jackpot Awards

\$30/class

05.31.26
MAY (Classes Start ~2pm) 2026

Extraco Event Center ~ 4601 Bosque Blvd, Waco, TX
Held in conjunction with the Zone 4 APHA Memorial Day Classic



TSCRA Leadership Launch

May 27–28, Austin

Application Deadline: **April 5**

Provides high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to visit industry leaders, gain an understanding of the legislative process and develop their professional skills.



TSCRA Cattle Raisers Roundup

July 19–24, West Texas

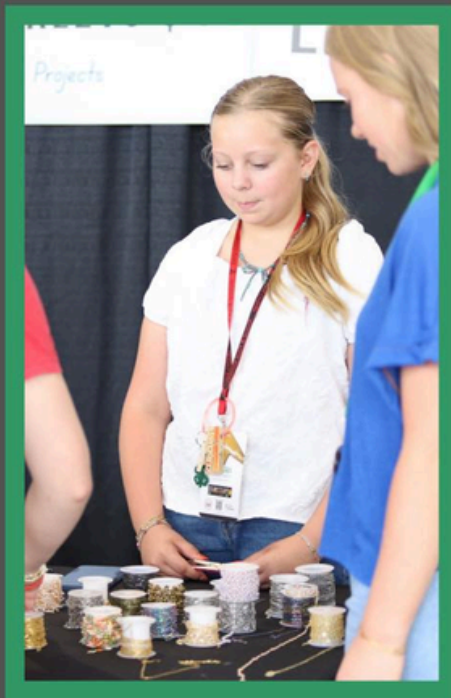
Application Deadline: **May 3**

An immersive program to learn about the practical application of everyday activities of those who buy, sell, produce and rely upon the protein of beef.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO LEARN MORE

Open to high schoolers entering their junior or senior year.



2026 TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP ENTREPRENEUR BOOTH REGISTRATION OPEN



**2026 Texas 4-H Entrepreneur Booth – Roundup Trade Show
Reed Arena, Texas A&M University – College Station
June 2–4, 2026**

Texas 4-H members with a business or entrepreneurial venture can showcase and sell their products at the Texas 4-H Roundup Trade Show! Gain real-world experience in marketing, sales, and customer service.

Booth Options (Limited Space!)

All Week (Tues–Thurs, 1–7 PM) – \$40 (7 spots)

Day Only (Tues, Wed, or Thurs, 1–7 PM) – \$15/day (5 spots each day)

Must choose either All Week or Day Option – not both.

Register through 4HOnline

Closes April 15 or when full

(Waiting list available if sold out)

Questions? Contact Jana Barrett at jcbarrett@ag.tamu.edu

Don't miss your chance to spotlight your 4-H business!



JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER CAMP

Youths ages 8 - 11 register for a three day drop-off camp at Mercer to become a certified Junior Master Gardener!

Learn about Plant Growth, Insects, Soil & Water, Life Skills, Nutrition, Plant Health, Growing a Vegetable Garden, and more!

Presented by

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension 4-H
and
Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens



June 29th - July 1st
or July 13th - 15th



8:00 - 11:30 AM



Mercer Visitor Center

COST \$45 per Child



Scan to register for
June 29th - July 1st.



Scan to register for
July 13th - July 15th.

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MERCER ARBORETUM & BOTANIC GARDENS

22306 Aldine Westfield Road | Humble, Texas 77338

(713) 274-4160 | pct3.com/MBG

mercrobotanicgardens@pct3.hctx.net



2026 States' 4-H International Exchange Program



HOST TODAY!



13 Japanese Delegates seeking placement!

HOSTING DETAILS & REQUIREMENTS

- **Hosting Period:** July 21 - August 16, 2026
- Host a youth aged 12-18 (majority are 12-14) or an adult chaperone.
- You must have a child of the same gender & within 4 yrs. of age of the hosted youth. (Children aged 9+ are eligible to host)
- Families without children of the appropriate age may host an adult chaperone.
- Youth have a range of English language abilities, so host families should be prepared to communicate imaginatively.

HOW TO APPLY:

- Eligible Families must submit an application: <https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/host/>
- Note: Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application & screening process, as well as student availability & personality compatibility.
- This is a voluntary program; no stipends will be provided.
- Questions?
Contact your Texas Inbound Coordinator:
 - Natalie.Cervantes@ag.tamu.edu

Summer 2026

AT THE TEXAS 4-H CENTER!

Get Ready for a summer full of friends, fun, and unforgettable adventures!

MINI CAMP

July 1-3 | \$325
Ages 8-14

A perfect introduction to 4-H camping! Enjoy swimming, crafts, games, and campfires while making new friends and lasting memories.



SPECIALTY CAMP WEEK

July 6-10 | \$500
Ages 8-14

- 4-H Hunting Camp (Extra \$5 fee for Hunting Certification)
- Food Challenge Camp
- Ropes and Team Building
- Arts & Crafts Camp
- Sports & Games
- Fishing Camp
- Refashion
- Aperture Academy (Ages: 10-14)

COUNTY CAMPS

July 12-16 | \$500
July 26-30 |
August 2-6 | Ages 8-14

County Camp gives youth the chance to dive deeper into their favorite activities by choosing three focus areas—plus enjoy all the classic 4-H camp fun, from games and swimming to campfires and new friends!

TEEN ADVENTURE CAMP

July 19-24 | \$600
Ages 13-18

Teen Adventure Camp is packed with excitement and challenge—teens will build leadership skills, tackle outdoor adventures, and make lasting memories with friends!

Early Bird Special

\$25 Dollars off each camp until March 15th, 2026



Location: Texas
4-H Center

Register today at:
<https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/>
Email: makayla.waiser@ag.tamu.edu
Call: (325) 784-5482

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