### To Make the Best Better in January 2018

# Brazos County 4-III Connection

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For more information please visit these links

https://brazos.agrilife.org/

https://www.facebook.co m/brazos4h/









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Calling 4-H SUPERHEROES... Join us at the Parents and Adult Leaders Meeting

the County Council Meeting January 23, 2018 at the Brazos Center 6:00PM



Come share your 4-H superpowers. All adults and 4-H members are invited! Let's plan and learn what's ahead in Brazos County, District 9, and Texas 4-H.



Family & **Consumer Sciences** 

# **AT BCYLS**

**Brazos County** Youth Livestock Show

Arts & Crafts **Baked Goods Canned Goods** Horticulture Photography Metal & Woodworking

for complete details

COLLEGE STATION HS COMMONS AREA

CHECK IN: TUES, MARCH 20, 2018 7:30 -9:00 AM

AWARDS: TUES. MARCH 20, 2018 6:00 PM
BRAZOS COUNTY EXPO CENTER



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# BRAZOS COUNTY TEAMS ARE FORMING

# **Nutrition Quiz Bowl**



### Coaches and youth needed

Excellent team competition for food and nutrition project youth who are fast thinkers.

### Click here for

⇒<u>Texas Quiz Bowl Guide</u> ⇒<u>2018 Nutrition Quiz Bowl</u> <u>Study Guide</u>

Teams practice and study when convenient for team members and coach.

Juniors and intermediates compete together. Seniors team compete together.

3-4 team members

If interested or are looking for team members or a team to ioin contact:

### Upcoming events:

⇒January 13, 2018 Invitational contest-

Walker County Storm Shelter Huntsville

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.-\$40/team ⇒February 5, 2018

Overview and practice contest Brazos County Extension Office 6:00 p.m.

free

⇒May 3, 2018

Big Time in D9 Round Up Lone Star Conference Center \$15/ person

Flora Williams at fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu



### Winter Fashion Sewing Camp

hosted by Brazos County 4-H

### Where

G. Rollie White Visitor Center 7707 Raymond Stotzer Parkway (Hwy 60) College Station, Texas 77845 Come join us! February 3, 2018 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Open to 4-H members

✓ Best Foot Forward on the Runway

No Sew Blanket Service Project

Clothing Repair and Hacks

✓ Getting to Know Your Fibers

### \$10 (Covers lunch and supplies)

### Workshop topics/activities:

- ✓ Map Tote Bags and Mittens
- ✓ Duds to Dazzling
- ✓ Distressing Caps
- ✓ Interviewing With Confidence✓ 4-H Fashion Show Entry
- Paperwork

Sign up and pay: January 2-January 19, 2018

Bring: Sewing machine, sewing kit, pin cushion, pins, marking tool, ruler, measuring tape, seam ripper, hand and machine needles, thread, fabric scissors, scissors, thimble, measuring gauge, iron, patience

Optional items: Rotary cutter and mat, pinking shears

To register: Email Gina Hoyt at <a href="mailto:gjhoyt@ag.tamu.edu">gjhoyt@ag.tamu.edu</a> & bring or mail check to Brazos Adult Leaders 2619 Highway 21 West Bryan Texas 77803 prior to the workshop by January 19, 2018

For questions or more details: email Flora Williams @ fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu or call 979-823-0129.



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# **Brazos County Photography Contest**

Entries are due by February 5th. Late entries due by February 12th

Go to the link below or visit the county website for Submission form and more information.

http://counties.agrilife.org/brazos/files/2013/10/ 2018-County-Photo-Contest-Rules-Submission-Form.pdf

If you have questions contact: Ashley.Skinner@ag.tamu.edu







### 4-H Fashion Show Interviews and

Fashion Storyboards

### Interview times

4:30-6:30 p.m. (by appointment)

### Where

Brazos County Extension Office 2619 Highway 21 West Bryan, Texas 77803

### When

March 27, 2018 with a panel of judges

### Entry deadline

March 16, 2018 to Brazos County Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. (entry paperwork, eligibility forms, and payment)

### Cost

\$6 per Fashion Show and Fashion Storyboard entry

### Additional details:

Brazos County follows the District 9 4-H Fashion Show rules. Guidelines, rules and entry forms will be posted <a href="here">here</a>. Storyboards drop off by March 27, 2018.

This year's fashion storyboard title is **Fashion Design to the Rescue**. Rules and guidelines are posted at <u>here</u>.

### 4-H Fashion Style Show & Fashion Show and Fashion Storyboard Awards

March 29, 2018 at the Brazos Center as part of Brazos County 4-H Round Up  $\,$ 



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# Save the Date Brazos County 4-H Roundup

Educational Presentations, Public Speaking, Share the Fun, Fashion Show awards and Style Show, and Photography Awards
Will all take place at County Roundup this year.

Date: March 29th must register by March 16th

Time: 6pm-8pm

**Locations- Brazos Center** 

More information will be coming out as we get closer













Walk Across Texas! is an 8-week fun and free fitness program for teams of eight people, individual walkers, or school classes.

Event Dates: February 10-April 6, 2018 Registration Deadline: February 13, 2018





Post Oak Mall (Melrose Place Entrance) Saturday; February 10, 2018; 10:00 a.m.

\*\* Freebies while supplies last!

### About the Program

- Teams have a friendly competition to see who can accumulate the most miles walking, jogging, biking, dancing, aerobics, or riding a stationary bike!
- Everyone's miles are recorded online.
- Enter your miles and track your team and others online!
- Sign up for Walk Across Texas! and find out!

Each year the Brazos County Walk Across Texas! Taskforce offers one sponsored event...and this is it!

### Find out how you can Walk Across Texas!

- Visit us online at: http://walkacrosstexas.tamu.edu
- Call the Brazos County Office of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service at 979-823-0129.
- Like us on facebook-Walk Across Texas Brazos Valley

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# **Brazos County Livestock Skill-A-Thon Team**

Brazos County will be starting a livestock skill-a-thon team for this spring.

What is the livestock skill-a-thon?

The Livestock Skill-a-thon contest tests a 4-H member's knowledge and comprehension of animal science and livestock management practices. The contest provides an opportunity for youth to gain and develop production livestock skills and life skills through a competitive environment.

We are trying something new for this project, we are going to use Facebook for our main point of contact and for all practice purposes. We have a group created that is only open to people who wish to be part of this project.

We will start after the 1st of the new year with a post that will pertain to the project, practice questions and other information. We will post a few different questions each week and then have the answers for them so everyone has a chance to answer.

So if you think this is something you would like to participate in follow this link and request to join the group. https://www.facebook.com/groups/1532499910178396/?source=create\_flow

To learn more about what the Livestock Skill-A-Thon is and start looking over the material visit this link http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017-Roundup-Livestock-Skill-A-Thon2.pdf













# **Educational Presentations Workshop**

Are you looking for another project to participate in, or are you wanting to expand on your public speaking skills?

Come out on February 28<sup>th</sup> to see what educational presentations are all about. We will host an informational meeting at the extension office starting at 6pm.

We will discuss what educational presentations are, the different categories, different contests, and how to prepare for one.

Please RSVP to Gina Hoyt by February 20th at <a href="mailto:gjhoyt@ag.tamu.edu">gjhoyt@ag.tamu.edu</a>

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Americans with Disabilities - Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodations to participate in any Extension activities are encouraged to contact the County

Extension Office at (979) 823-0129 on or before February 20th to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made

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# Senior Scholarship Info

### **TEXAS 4-H OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP**

The 2018 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Program application have been released. Texas 4-H Youth Development Program Opportunity Scholarships are academic scholarships awarded each year to applicants based on their academic record, 4-H experience, and financial need (for scholarships for which it is a required criterion). The Texas 4-H Youth Development Opportunity Scholarship Program is conducted by the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation. All applications must be submitted through the applicant's county Extension office and meet all criteria to be considered.

Deadlines are determined by the County Extension Office so please contact our local office for the deadline date.

For more info go to: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/scholarships/

### TEXAS FARM BUREAU SCHOLARSHIPS



Texas Farm Bureau is committed to the development of youth and youth leadership. That's why we invest in our youth.

Texas Farm Bureau devotes a large amount of resources towards youth programs and scholarships. Annually we award over \$200,000 in scholarships in a variety of packages designed to meet different student needs. This includes various youth leadership organizations and students participating in our Free Enterprise Speech Contest.

For more information go to: <a href="http://texasfarmbureau.org/youth/youth-opportunities/">http://texasfarmbureau.org/youth/youth-opportunities/</a>

### **TEXAS FARM CREDIT**



Texas Farm Credit has a mission to support agriculture and rural communities today and tomorrow. Our customer-owned cooperative proudly offers two programs that recognize high school seniors who excel in the classroom and in their FFA chapters and 4-H clubs.

In addition to our scholarship programs, the FFA or 4H club in which each Marsha Martin Scholarship recipient is a member of will receive a \$500 club contribution on behalf of Texas Farm Credit.

Fore more information go to: <a href="https://www.texasfcs.com/news/scholarship-programs">https://www.texasfcs.com/news/scholarship-programs</a>

# **BCYLS Scholarship**

It is that time of year again for all the Seniors to begin thinking about starting on their scholarship applications. The BCYLS scholarship is awarded to qualifying senior FFA & 4-H members who complete the application and meet the requirements.

The applications are due to the Brazos County Extension office by February 12th Applications can be found in the BCYLS Rulebook at this link: <a href="http://bcyla.net/">http://bcyla.net/</a>



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# **BCYLS Eligibility Forms**

This year all 4-H members who will be competing in the Brazos County Youth Livestock Show, must submit their eligibility form on or before March 12th in order to be eligible to participate in the 2018 show. These forms must be signed by the agent and school to be accepted.

# **BCYLS Rabbit Date Information:**

Breed Date – December 12, 2017

Validation – February 26 from 5-6 PM at the Brazos County Expo

(note the NEW location)



# **BCYLS Heifer Entries**

All Heifers wanting to show at the Brazos County Youth Livestock show must enter by February 2nd.

Entries will be made with Larry White at Rudder FFA

Entry Forms can be found at this link: <a href="http://bcyla.net/">http://bcyla.net/</a>



# **Brazos County Youth Livestock Show Rule Book**

The 2018 Brazos County Rule Book is now online for you to reference. Take some time to look over it and make note of the schedule for the show and sale.

http://www.bcyla.net/exhibitor-resources/



### **District News**

4-H Connection

Horse, Beef, Swine & Food/Nutrition
Invitational Quiz Bowl

TEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION



Saturday January 13, 2018 Walker County Storm Shelter 455 State Highway 75N Huntsville, TX 77320 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Exact registration and game time slots announced week of event

> Beef Bowl Horse Bowl Swine Bowl Food & Nutrition Bowl









- Junior (3<sup>rd</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> grades) and Senior (9<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> grades) Divisions
- · Questions taken from the Texas 4-H Reference List
- Cost \$40/team. Register as a team online through 4-H Connect no later than Monday, January 8. (\$60 on-site). Opens on November 16 <a href="https://texas.4honline.com">https://texas.4honline.com</a> <a href="https://texas.4honline.com">Register under an adult profile</a>
- FFA Members and Parents: enter online using 4-H Connect. No 4-H Membership Required Select Custom from the drop down menu
- ✓ 4-H Members and Parents: Enter through 4-H Connect using your 4-H enrollment account
- ✓ Register on Site: Register day of contest at increased price

Visa Gift Card to 1st place winning Jr. & Sr. teams of Beef, Horse, Swine, and Food/Nutrition Bowls.

Questions? Contact Kristy Titzman at 936-435-2426 or kkcorley@ag.tamu.edu Agent/Coach will be emailed the week of event with schedule and details.

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, 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 throughou Texas A&M AgriLife.





Saturday, January 13, 2018 @ 6PM Walker County Storm Shelter 455 State HWY 75 N HUNTSVILLE, TX 77320

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS CONDUCTED BY THE TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE SERVE PEOPLE OF ALL AGES REGARDLESS OF SOCIOECONOMIC LEVEL, RACE, COLOR, SEX, RELIGION, DISABILITY, OR NATIONAL ORIGIN.

TEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION



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### **State News**



### **Community Outreach Grant**

In 2018, Capital Farm Credit is unveiling a brand new Community Outreach Grant Program. The program is designed to provide grants to Texas FFA chapters and 4-H clubs that have developed a project to better their community. The grant will range from \$500-\$1000; dependent on the proposed budget of the chapter. Funds will be awarded to assist club and chapter members in bringing positive change by establishing projects that make local communities better places to live. Each proposal will be reviewed and scored by a grant review team.

The applications for Community Outreach Grants are <u>available here</u>, and the deadline for applications is March 1, 2018. All applications should be emailed to <u>grants@capitalfarmcredit.com</u>. FFA Chapters or 4-H Clubs will be notified no later than April 1 if they've been awarded a grant.

If you have questions regarding this grant program please contact grants@capitalfarmcredit.com

### <u>Video Contest</u>

Each year, to celebrate Ag Day, Capital Farm Credit holds a contest for high school aged 4-H and FFA in Texas. Students create a 30 second video to tell us "What Agriculture Means to Me" and uploads the video link to enter. Winners are determined by online voting. The video that receives the most online votes wins that high school student a scholarship, and their 4-H or FFA Chapter will also receive a donation.

<u>First Place Student</u>: \$2,500 & their chapter receives \$1,500 <u>Second Place Student</u>: \$1,500 & their chapter receives \$1,000 <u>Third Place Student</u>: \$1,000 & their chapter receives \$500

<u>Corporate Selection:</u> \$1,000 & their chapter receives \$500 (This is a new category this year. We will have a panel of judges to identify a video based on effectiveness of message and quality of video.)

Students can begin creating their video at any time, but they will not be able to upload or start receiving votes until February 1, 2018. The contest ends on Ag Day, March 20, 2018. Stay tuned for a link to upload videos.

Capital Farm Credit is committed to supporting rural communities and agriculture with reliable, consistent credit and financial services. But we're also committed to supporting the people and organizations who will continue the proud traditions we hold so dear. We encourage you to share this information with your local 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters.



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### **State News**

TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



TEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION

### TEXAS 4-H **DOG VALIDATION PROCESS**

# APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED!!! National 4-H Conference \* April 7-12, 2018

### WHAT IS NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE?

National 4-H Conference is the Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth in developing recommendations for the 4-H Youth Development Program. If you want to strengthen your leadership and/or citizenship projects, this is an excellent opportunity.

National 4-H Conference is a working conference in which youth and adults—at the invitation of the Secretary of Agriculture—assist in the development of recommendations to help guide 4-H Youth Development Programs nationally and in their communities. This event brings together youth, volunteer leaders, and state and county Extension staff members from across the United States, the U.S. Territories, and the Canadian Provinces.

As the sponsor for this conference, the National 4+H Headquarters-located within Families, 4+H, and Natrition at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)—is charged with sharing the recommendations that emerge from the conference with the Sceretary of Agriculture, national Extension Program Leders, and other swho determine 4-H programs. Each delegate chooses an important societal topic to discuss in a roundtable situation with other delegates. From the roundtable discussion, the groups prepare a briefing to present to federal stakeholders. This experiential approach ensures that the conference is a meaningful experience for the youth and adult participants. Social activities in the evening, tour sof Monuments and Museums and cultural entertainment round out the conference.

For a true youth view of the National Conference experience, please see the quotes on the next page

LOCATION: The 2018 National 4-H Conference will be held at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center. The Center is located in a quiet, 12-acre campus like setting in Chevy Chase, Maryland, and one mile from the nation's Capitol, making if the perfect gateway to Washington, D.C.'s leaders, monuments and museums. The Conference Center is operated by the National 4-H Cound. To read more interesting history on the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, vist <a href="https://www.dkcenter.org/center\_history.html">https://www.dkcenter.org/center\_history.html</a>. Delegates will also have the opportunity to visit Capitol Hill and the offices of Congressman and Tederal Offices.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
The National 4-H Conference requires youth who are focused and committed to working during the Conference and in their state. The Texas delegation will consist of 10-20 youth delegates, who will be required to engage in pre- and post conference work and participate in all scheduled conference activities. The minimum age requirement for a Texas youth delegate is 15 years old (must be by January 1, 2018). The maximum age for a Texas youth delegate is 15 years old (must be by January 1, 2018).

APPLICATION PROCESS:
Applications must be submitted online and certified through 4H/CONNECT by <u>December 15, 2017.</u> Choose '2018 National 4-H Conference'. A fee is
NOT required to complete the application, county Extension Office per somel wall certify the application, so please communicate with your
Extression Agent of your intent to apply, final selection of delegates will be made on the basis of the online application; you may be contacted for a
telephone interview. The final selection of delegates will be announced on, or before, <u>January 12, 2018</u>.

The delegate's share of registration, adult chaperone registration, lodging, airfare, meals, and transportation costs is \$2,000.00. This registration fee will be due on February 2, 2018 payable through 4-H Connect.

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The Texas A&M Agritufe Extension Summer Horsemansi ip School Program provides youth and adults a great opportunity to gain a solid foundation and advance horsemanship solis





### Program provides:

- Exceptional Texas A&M instructors Discipline specifics upon request Consulation and marketing tools for a one-of-a-kind clinic

### Host location provides:

- Facility for clinic Registration for participants Oversight of clinic



### Participants gain:

- Authentic and knowledgable instruction Awareness of new concepts and methods Enriched and enjoyable experiences horseback

### More information about hosting a SHS and to register go to:

nimalscience tamu edu/livestock-species/cquine/summer-horsemanship. OR contact program director: Chelsie Huseman chelsie huseman@tamu.edu

STOP

### BEFORE YOU BEGIN YOUR VALIDATION PROCESS, YOU MUST:

- Have a family and youth member profile established on 4-H Connect Be a paid/active youth member of Texas 4-H for the current year.
- Have clear digital photos of your dog(s) from left side and right side. These photos must be accessible for upload during the validation process. If you certified a dog last year, skip to the bottom of the instructions.

### IMPORTANT

Dog Certification is completed for EACH DOG and will cover all 4-H Youth members in that family profile. However when certifying your dogs on 4-H CONNECT, you will select ONLY ONE 4-H youth member to conduct the certification under. Once a dog is certified and you begin registering for the State Dog Show, the certified dog(s) can be moved to the appropriate 4-H member that will be exhibiting the dog in the show.

### VALIDATION STEPS

1. Access 4-H CONNECT though the Texas 4-H and Youth Development website (http://texas4-h.tamu.edu)







In 1906, Intolinasi John Meinweiter Manko, special agent, for the United States Department of Agriculture in Jack County, provided four varieties of corn seed to 111 boys with the challenge of raising the seeds using the modern farming techniques of the time. From that group of young men came an organization called the Corn Club, which later became known as the modern 4+H club in Texas.

From that first agriculture based club, 4-H across Texas has evolved into the state's largest positive youth development organization reaching more than 600,000 youth annually through committy clubs, special interest opportunities, and school enrichment experiences. The 4-H program is no longer just found on farms but reaches into the largest of the urban centers of Texas. From crops to cooking to computers, the Texas 4-H Program has opportunities for all youth in Texas, regardless of their interest. In 2018, Texas 4-H will celebrate 110 years of providing youth with the latest in technology, knowledge, and experiences through the land-grant universities of Texas - Texas A&M and Prairie View A&M. To celebrate this monumental milestone, the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program and the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation are introducing a new

paign to engage youth, volunteers, and alumni/friends in the celebration of 110 years of Texas 4-H

Give110 is a three phase pledge program to encourage anyone presently or formerly involved with 4-H to step up and support today's 4-H program in Texas. From giving 110 hours of community service, to 110 hours of leading and supporting 4-H members, or making a donation of \$110 or more to support the programming efforts of 4-H across our state, everyone has an opportunity to make a difference.

Through this year-long effort, it is our goal to demonstrate the strength and importance of 4-H to occurrely, and world while engaging more alumni and volunteers for local, county, and state support. This information packet is designed to provide an overview of the **Give110** program and how you can promote it on the club and county level. Through the use of social media, county and state 4-H newsletters, and personal contacts, we hope that our communities will **Give110** and help continue the success of Texas 4-H for the next 110 years.

If you have any questions or need assistance in your county with strategies on how to **Give110**, please feel free to contact your District 4-H Specialist or the State 4-H Office.

#Give110Texas4H



# County

# Important Dates

- January 16<sup>th</sup>- BCYLS FCS and Ag Mech. entry night at College Station High School
- January 23<sup>rd</sup>- Adult Leaders and County Council meeting
- January 23<sup>rd</sup>- 4-H opportunity scholarship due
- February 2<sup>nd</sup> BCYLS Heifer entries due
- February 3<sup>rd</sup>- Clothing Camp
- February 5<sup>th</sup> County Photography Contest
- February 5<sup>th</sup>- County Quiz Bowl
- February 12<sup>th</sup> BCYLS Scholarship due to the Extension office
- February 26<sup>th</sup> Rabbit Validation 5-6PM at the Brazos Expo (note the new location)

# **District 9**

- January 10<sup>th</sup>- District Archery Entries due on 4-H connect
- January 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>- District Archery Contest
- January 13th- Quiz Bowl Contest
  - District Council Meeting

# State 4-H

 January 23<sup>rd</sup>- State 4-H Scholarship Application due to the Extension office by 5pm. Applications can be found at the following link: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/scholarships/











### LET'S COOK SOMETHING!!!

# Three Amigo Chili



# What you need:

### Ingredients:

- 1 (15oz) can beans (pinto, kidney, red, or black) undrained
- 1 (15oz)can corn, drained or 10oz package frozen corn
- 2 (15oz) can crushed tomatoes, un-drained

Chili powder to taste Ground cumin to taste Garlic powder to taste



### What to do:

- 1. Wash your hands and clean your cooking area
- 2. Clean the tops of canned food items before opening them.
- 3. Pour beans, corn, and tomatoes into a skillet.
- 4. Add chili powder, cumin, and garlic powder to taste.
- 5. Stir over medium heat until heated thorouly.
- 6. Serve immediately.

# **Facts**

Makes: 6 Servings prep Time: 15 minutes

Cost per serving: .22

Calories: 130



**Dusty Tittle** 

County Extension Agent Ag & Natural Resource

Jerod Meurer

County Extension Agent 4-H and Youth Development

Flora Williams

County Extension Agent Family & Consumer Sciences

Charla Anthony

County Extension Assistant CEP Agent Horticulture 4-H & Your

Arvitta Scott

4-H & Youth Development

Ashley Skinner

County Extension Assistant 4-H Program Assistant

Katie Cook

Better Living for Texans Extension Assistant



# Let's keep 4-H positive at all times by adhering to the 4-H Code of Conduct:

### During my 4-H involvement...

- 1. I am expected to attend all sessions that are part of the planned program for all activities. I will inform staff if I am not feeling well or have a schedule conflict.
- 2. I will dress appropriately to the occasion and adhere to any attire requirements stipulated for the event I am attending. 4-H members should be courteous and clean, and possess good manners.
- 3. Language must be controlled and appropriate for a 4-H member I will not use language that is socially offensive.
- 4. Except for planned tours and outings, I will not leave an activity facility any time without permission of the one and/or staff responsible for the event.
- 5. I will not smoke or use tobacco products, or be in possession of such products, at any 4-H program event.
- 6. I will not be in possession of, use alcohol or drugs (except those directed by a doctor), or be associated with or remain in the presence of others when they are being used.
- 7. I will not be in possession of, use, or threaten another person with a weapon, bodily force or language.
- 8. I will respect the rights of privacy of those attending an activity and those with whom I may be rooming.
- 9. I will observe hours established by the staff and be in my room. No boys in girls' rooms, no girls in boys' rooms.
- 10. I will avoid unnecessary roughness to room furnishings, furniture, equipment, etc. Towels, ashtrays, etc., are not to be taken as souvenirs. Occupants of a room or conveyance are financially responsible for any damage or results of misconduct.
- 11. Any participant at an official 4-H activity who observes a breach of the code of conduct has the responsibility and obligation to report the misbehavior to appropriate chaperones.

### Overview of Texas 4-H and Youth Development Consequences of Misbehavior

### **VIOLATORS MAY EXPECT:**

To have the opportunity to explain actions to the professional Extension staff in charge.

Behavior that is disruptive to the event will be documented and a letter describing such will be sent to the District 9 4-H Leadership Team, County Extension Agent(s) and parents/guardians of those involved.

### Consequences

For every offense 4-H member will receive a verbal reprimand.

For every offense the violator shall write letters of apology to the appropriate people.

### **Course of Action**

Event managers responsible for 4-H events and activities are encouraged to communicate to 4-H participants and adult chaperones p<u>rior</u> to the event a standard of acceptable behavior, via the Commitment to Excellence. Standards of behavior and consequences should be reviewed with participants as part of the initial orientation.

1.Event Manager obtains all the relevant facts.

- 2. Brief the on-site adult responsible for the youth delegate (Extension faculty member or 4-H volunteer)
- 3. If not on-site, but available via phone, brief the county Extension faculty member and District Extension Director responsible.
- 4. Review consequences of misbehavior. The following steps should be taken when sending a 4-H member home:

\*Extension faculty member contacts parents.

- \*Parents advised that child is being sent home by safest, most direct means, and that parents are responsible for cost.
- \*Event manager decides if parents should be given the option of picking up the child.
- \*County Extension faculty member collects money from parent to pay transportation charges.
- \*Follow-up correspondence from events manager to appropriate county Extension faculty member, District 4-H Leadership Team, child and parent for documentation.

5.For <u>all</u> reprimands a Summary Letter and Accident/Incident Report Form will be completed and mailed to the 4-H member, parent County Extension Agent, District Extension Director, County Extension Directors (if applicable); District 4-H Specialist, and the Assistant Directors for 4-H and Youth and County Programs. Additionally, notification will be made to District 4-H Leadership Team prior to letter and form being mailed.



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Sat	6 Teen Retreat	13 D9 Council mtg/dance -D9 Beef/
Fri	5 Teen Retreat	12
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Wed	8	10 D9 Archery Contest reg. due
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Mon	1 Holiday	8
Sun		7 Teen Retreat
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Black—County Color Legend:

Blue—District Green—State Fort Worth Stock Show: January 12—February 3

NOTES:

Re-Fashion Retreat: January 12-14

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	41	21	28
	15 Holiday	22	29
	16 BCYLS FCS/ AgMech entry 5:30pm @ Col- lege Station HS	23 Adult Leader/ Club Manager mtg. 6pm @ Brazos Center -State 4-H Scholarships due in Ext. office	30
	17	24	31
	18	25	
	19 Winter Fashion Camp reg. due	26 D9 Archery Contest	
Horse/Nutrition Quiz Bowls	20	27 D9 Archery Contest	



