**New 4-H Year Begins**

4-H Enrollment for the new year has started, the 2018-19 4-H year officially starts on September 1st, but you can get registered anytime. We are looking forward to the new 4-H year. We have added a new 4-H and youth program assistant, Mrs. Amanda DeAx. Mrs. DeAx is excited about the new year and is looking forward to working with everyone to make this a great year.

Remember all enrollment is done via 4-H Connect. You can access 4-H Connect by going to our 4-H website at https://comanche.agrilife.org/comanche-4-h/4-h-connection/ from there go to Comanche 4-H, on the drop-down menu click on the 4-H enrollment icon. To maintain the level of programming and opportunities in the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program, an annual participant fee is implemented for each 4-H member (excluding Clover Kids). The participant fee is $20 if enrolled from August 15th to October 31st, November 1st the participant fee will increase to $25. Please do not worry if you are still pending at the county level once you have enrolled. The county office will try to keep up as best as we can by approving them at least once a week. As long as you complete your enrollment, you are in the system and good for enrollment. Enrollment dues must be paid by an electronic payment. For additional instructions on how to enroll, please give us a call or drop by the office. All volunteers who enroll will be charged $10.00. This covers your screening for the year. All volunteers will have to re-enroll each year. Club Managers must enroll ASAP! If you have further questions, please contact the County Extension Office at 325-356-2539.

4-H Age /Grade Requirements Texas 4-H membership eligibility is now based on SCHOOL GRADE and not age. The eligibility rules and guidelines are:

Youth may participate in 4-H year from September 1st of grade three through August 31st following completion of grade twelve, with these age restrictions:

Minimum age -8 (as of August 31, 2018 and in the 3rd grade)

Maximum age -18 (as of August 31, 2018)

4-H Member Categories

Juniors: Grades 3, 4, and 5

Intermediates: Grades 6, 7, and 8

Seniors: Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12

The county has several 4-H Clubs that offer a wide-array of project opportunities. If you think you might have an interest, please stop by and visit with us about all the opportunities for your kiddos in the local 4-H clubs.