4-H and YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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MEMORANDUM

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TO: District 12 4-H Coordinators

SUBJECT: **2015 District 12 4-H Photography Contest**

District 12 will be hosting its annual 4-H Photography Contest for 4-H'ers in District 12. This year, the contest will be open to all three age divisions (Junior, Intermediate, & Senior) and the theme will be "Inspiration". The contest will be done on-line including submission of photos and judging. The 2015 Texas 4-H Photography Contest Rules available on the District 12 4-H website at http://d124-h.tamu.edu Senior 4-H members interested in the Texas 4-H Photography Contest should refer to the state contest for entry and deadline information which is DIFFERENT than the District contest. The District contest is not a pre-qualifier for the state contest. They are two independent contests. Follow the state letter and entry requirements for the state contest.

Registration, Fees and Deadline: Each 4-H'er entering photos for the District 4-H Photography Contest must register online through 4-H Connect. The registration fee will be $8.00 per photo entry. Online registration will open March 1, 2015 and will end March 26, 2015. Payment (e-check or credit card) must be made on 4-H connect, county/club checks must be postmarked by March 26, 2015. Be sure to include a copy of the invoice when forwarding payment via 4-H check. Detailed registration instructions will be posted on the District 12 4-H website at http://d124-h.tamu.edu. No late entries will be accepted. No refunds will be given.

Submitting Photos: All photos must be submitted through 4-H CONNECT as part of the registration process. Please read these submission rules and requirements very carefully to prevent disqualification of entries. Photos must be in the correct format for proper evaluation. Entry steps, categories and other submission requirements are attached. Submit your photo(s) online between March 1 and March 26, 2015 as part of the registration process.

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Judging and Judges: All entries with submitted photos will be judged between April 6 and April 13, 2015 via an online evaluation process similar to the state event. To insure uniformity in the judging process, all state judging criteria will be used for all submitted photographs. Be sure to review the attached judging guidelines. All judges will be able to evaluate entries and provide individual feedback for respective photos.

Awards: A summary of the results will be available after April 15, 2015 and will be posted on the District 12 4-H website. The award structure will be as follows: All eligible photos will be awarded a quality award (Blue, Red, or White) and participation certificate. In addition, a class winner will be selected for each age division and photo category. Class winners will be awarded a rosette and other recognition. The awards will be distributed to agents at the District 12 4-H Spring Faculty Conference in May. 4-H members can contact county offices after that date to receive their respective awards.

Sincerely,

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