

Wilson County 4-H



# NEWSLETTER

October 2020

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## 2020-2021 CHALLENGE

*“New Path Forward”*



## County Updates

# HAPPY 4-H NEW YEAR!

**NOVEMBER 15, 2020**

**If you are NOT enrolled by November 15th you will no longer receive communications from the Extension Office until you re-enroll!**

## TIME TO ENROLL

Enrollment begins August 15, 2020

You must enroll online via 4-H Online

<https://v2.4honline.com>

If you enroll before October 31, 2020 your participation fee is only \$25 per member.

After October 31, 2020 the fee will increase to \$30 per member, so sign up ASAP!

## HOW TO ENROLL

Visit: <https://v2.4honline.com>

**RETURNING MEMBERS** - If you are a returning member, **DO NOT create a new profile.**

Duplicate profiles will not be accepted! Use the same email and password you used last year.

For **detailed instructions** visit:

[Family guide: Opening an existing profile](#)

**NEW MEMBERS**— you must create a new profile. For detailed instructions visit:

[Family Guide: Creating NEW family profile](#)

**For training and details about 4-H Connect:**

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/4honline/>

Be sure to triple check all your information!

Enter an **email you check regularly!** This is the email the Extension Office will use to send newsletters, upcoming events and all other important information.

If you have any questions please contact the Extension Office at (830)393-7357.



## County Updates

### 4-H DOG CAMP

**When:** October 1-15, 2020  
Thursdays @ 6:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Floresville City Park

**Open to non-4-H'ers! Feel free to share with friends and family!** Do you own a dog? Great! Come join us for this six week long Dog Camp! You'll more about training, dog nutrition, health, and much, much more!

Camp Schedule:

- Introduction (no dogs)
- Basic Equipment
- Grooming 101
- Veterinary Care
- Nutrition
- Grand Finale

To learn more, visit: <https://wilson.agrilife.org/>

### ONE DAY 4-H

**When:** October 3, 2020 @ 8:30 a.m.  
**Where:** Kirchoff Family Farm  
1444 C.R. 210, Floresville, TX 78114

This year our county-wide One Day 4-H project will be to assist with the Kirchoff Family Farm's Prairie Restoration project outside of Poth, TX. Extend a helping hand to your community by participating in ONE Day 4-H! Every year, 4-H has one day dedicated solely to community service.

For more information, visit: <https://wilson.agrilife.org/event/one-day-4-h/>

### COUNTY FOOD SHOW

**Entries Due:** October 6, 2020 [ONLINE](#)

**When:** October 17, 2020  
**Where:** Extension Classrooms  
1103 4th Street, Floresville

Members wanting to compete at the District 10 4-H Food Show contest must compete to qualify at County Food Show.

For more information, visit: <http://counties.agrilife.org/wilson/event/county-food->

### LATE SHEEP & GOAT VALIDATION TAG ORDERS DUE

**LATE Order Deadline:** October 8, 2020  
**Where:** Extension Office  
OR [ONLINE](#)

**Cost:** \$35  
**2nd LATE Order Deadline:** October 22, 2020  
**Where:** Extension Office or [ONLINE](#)  
**Cost:** \$50

4-H members showing sheep &/or goats during the 20-21 show season MUST validate their animals.

Validations may be purchased at the County Extension Office or **ONLINE** at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/20-21-wilson-county-late-lamb-goat-tag-orders-tickets-118519493997>



## County Updates

### BLUEBONNET 4-H PROSPECT SHOW

**Where:** La Vernia Chamber of Commerce

**When:** Saturday, October 10, 2020

This show benefits the Bluebonnet 4-H Club

For more information, click [HERE](#)

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### HEIFER VALIDATION

**When:** October 13, 2020, 4-6 p.m.

**Where:** Wilson County Expo Center

At validation the following must be present:

1. Animal being validated
2. Registration papers for Breeding Animals
3. Parent/guardian – must be present to sign paperwork.
  - Parents may sign for exhibitor if child cannot attend
  - Parents unable to attend must sign waiver & paperwork before validation
  - Ag Teachers CANNOT sign on behalf of parent

Anyone with conflicts, must NOTIFY the extension office PRIOR to validation. Please call (830)393-7357.

For more detailed information about validation, please visit: <https://wilson.agrilife.org/event/4-h-fall-heifer-validation/>

### SHEEP & GOAT VALIDATION

**When:** October 19-20, 2020 @ 4-6 p.m.

**Where:** Wilson County Expo Center

At validation the following must be present:

1. Animal being validated
2. Registration papers for Breeding Animals
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For more detailed information about validation, please visit: <http://counties.agrilife.org/wilson/event/4-h-lambgoat-validation-2019-10-22/>

### WEIGH DAY PLAY DAY

**When:** October 25, 2020

**Where:** TBD

**Topic:** Feeds & Feeding

For more information visit: <https://wilson.agrilife.org/event/4-h-weigh-day-play-day-oct/>



## County Updates

### COUNTY BROILER ORDERS DUE

**When:** October 29, 2020 by 5 p.m.

**Where:** Extension Office

Members showing Broilers at WCJLS and/or LVJLS must turn in an order form and payment by October 29, 2019.

Download Forms here: <https://wilson.agrilife.org/4-h/livestock-shows/#Poultry>

### 4-H JAK O' LANTERN CONTEST

**Pumpkin Due:** October 29, 2020 @ 6:30 pm

**Where:** Wilson County Expo Center

Help us decorate for Science Night and Halloween AND be entered to win a \$50 dollar gift card!

For more information, visit: <http://counties.agrilife.org/wilson/event/4-h-jack-o-lantern-contest/>

### 4-H SCIENCE NIGHT

**When:** October 29, 2020 @ 6:30 pm

**Where:** Wilson County Expo Center

**Limited to 20!**

Come out for a spooky science night full of fun, hands-on STEM experiments for all ages!

Dinner will be provided!

For more information and to register, visit: <https://wilson.agrilife.org/event/4-h-science-night/>

### COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

**When:** November 4, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** Extension Annex Classrooms

**Theme:** Thanksgiving

**Education:** Not Just Livestock- OTHER Major Show Opportunities

**Donate:** School Supplies

Wear a Thanksgiving themed costume to win prizes!

The November County Council meeting is all about Thanksgiving and getting ready for the holidays!

Bring school supplies to donate for kids in need and to compete in the District School Supplies

### BUCKLE BATTLE

**When:** October 31, 2020

**Where:** Wilson County Expo Center

This sheep and goat prospect show benefits the Wilson County 4-H Goat Club.

For more information here: <http://counties.agrilife.org/wilson/4-h/prospect-shows/>

### SWINE VALIDATION TAG ORDERS DUE

**LATE Deadline:** November 5, 2020

**Late Cost:** \$35

4-H members showing swine during the 20-21 show season MUST validate their animals.

Validations may be purchased at the County Extension Office or ONLINE at: <https://wilson.agrilife.org/4-h/livestock-shows/#Tag->



## County Updates

### WILSON 4-H RIFLE CLUB REGISTRATION

**When:** November 5, 2020, 6-8 p.m.  
**Where:** Wilson County Expo Center  
**Cost:** \$100 (Non-Refundable)

**Registration is mandatory for members wanting to be part of this club.**

Interested in learning how to safely and competitively shoot rifles? Wilson County 4-H Rifle Club will be holding registration for kids in the 3rd through the 12th grade on November 5th. You must be registered on 4-H Connect prior to registration with Wilson County 4-H Rifle Club.

For more information call Nathan Merecka at 210-725-6046 or email Christy Merecka at [C\\_merecka@yahoo.com](mailto:C_merecka@yahoo.com).

### ADULT BOOSTER MEETING

**When:** November 11, 2020\*  
**Where:** Extension Annex Classrooms

**CLUB MANAGERS**– Club assignments for the Gala will be finalized, please attend!

The Wilson County Adult Boosters is designed to promote, encourage and assist the Wilson County 4-H Program. Every year the Adult Boosters raise money for scholarships, educational programming, 4-H equipment and supplies, expenses related to 4-H competitions, and much more!

### LIVESTOCK SHOW ENTRY DAYS

**When:** **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

**Where:** Extension Office

Livestock Show entries will be by **APPOINTMENT ONLY** this year.

You **MUST** book an appointment online **PRIOR** to coming to the office.

**NO WALK-INS!**

[Book Your Appointment Here](#)

**Checks and/or money orders only!**  
**NO CASH!**

#### ENTRIES INCLUDE:

- ALL livestock entries
- Shooting Contests
- Team & Individual Contests
  - ◊ Only coaches for team entries

#### ENTRIES NOT INCLUDED:

- Open Shows
- La Vernia Rabbit Entries
- La Vernia Baked Food Show
- La Vernia Arts & Crafts Show
- WCJLS Art & Photography Show\*
- WCJLS Baked Food Show\*

*\*Subject to change*

You **MUST ATTEND** one of these entry days in order to enter any of the above shows. If you are not able to attend, you need to contact the Extension Office **PRIOR** to these dates to make arrangements.

For a full list of shows and details, visit: <http://>



## County Updates

### WEIGH DAY PLAY DAY

**When:** November 15, 2020 2-4pm

**Where:** Wilson County Expo Center

**Topic:** Health & Medications

For more information visit: <https://wilson.agrilife.org/event/4-h-weigh-day-play-day-oct/>

### RABBIT WORKSHOP

**When:** November 16, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** Extension Classrooms

Are you interested in learning more about the Rabbit project? Join your 20-21 Livestock Ambassadors as they teach more about this project!

### SWINE VALIDATION

**When:** November 19 or 20, 2020 4-6 pm

**Where:** Wilson County Expo Center

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### PHOTOGRAPHY FACEBOOK GROUP

**When:** All Year

**Where:** [FACEBOOK!](#)

A NEW way to 4-H– on FACEBOOK!

#### How does it work?

1. Join the private 4-H group.
  - Must be an enrolled member to be approved to join.
  - Parents of members without Facebook may join for the member, but must be an approved volunteer.
2. Each month a new Assignment will be posted to the Facebook group.
3. Members will complete the Assignment and post them the to Facebook group.

It's as simple as that and a great way to practice your photography skills and hopefully learn something new along the way!

Join the group here: <https://www.facebook.com/>



## District Updates

### FALL DISTRICT ROUNDUP

**Entries Due:** November 3, 2020  
**When:** December 1-3, 2020  
**Where:** Kerrville, TX

**SAVE THE DATE!**

*This is subject to change due to COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines at the time of the event. Please note that the health and safety of our 4-H Members, families, and employees is of the upmost importance.*

Current contest list includes: Educational Presentations, Entomology, FCH Quiz Bowl, Food Show, Horse Quiz Bowl, Livestock Quiz Bowl, Public Speaking.

More information, visit: <https://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-10-4-h-fall-round-up/>

### DISTRICT SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

**Due:** November 30, 2020  
**Where:** Extension Office

District 10 Council is asking all counties to donate school supplies for their District Community Service project! Bring your supplies to the Extension office to be turned into the District Office.

### DISTRICT 10 MEAT JUDGING

**When:** April 14, 2021  
**Where:** TBD

**SAVE THE DATE!**

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More information, visit: <https://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-events-activities/>

### DISTRICT 10 SPRING ROUNDUP

**When:** April 20-24, 2021  
**Where:** TBD

**SAVE THE DATE!**

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More information, visit: <https://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-events-activities/>

### DISTRICT FOOD CHALLENGE

**When:** April 28, 2021  
**Where:** Kerrville, TX

Due to the on going challenges of COVID-19, it has been decided to reschedule the District 10 Food Challenge Contest to April 2021. District leadership feels this is in the best interest of our 4-H members and the integrity of the contest. Please mark your calendars for April.



## State Updates

### NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

**When:** October 4-10, 2020

Celebrate 4-H during National 4-H Week! Find out more here: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/national-4-h-week/>

### FALL TRACTOR SUPPLY PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN

**When** October 7-18, 2020

**Where** Tractor Supply

#### BUY A PAPER CLOVER!

For every dollar Paper Clover sold in Wilson County Tractor Supply stores, \$0.90 is donated to Wilson County 4-H! Encourage your friends and family who shop at Tractor Supply to buy a Paper Clover!

Tractor Supply helps raise money for 4-H programs through the sale of Paper Clovers in their stores. 90% of funds raised go back to state and local 4-H programs to support scholarships for camp and leadership activities.

### JUNIOR LEADERSHIP RETREAT

**When:** November 13-15, 2020

**Where:** Texas 4-H Center  
*Lake Brownwood, Texas*

**Who:** 4-H Member 3rd-8th grade

**Cost:** \$140/youth  
\$110/adult  
*Late Fee \$50 after 10/30/2020*

To register visit: [texas4hcenter.tamu.edu](https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu)

### SHOOTING SPORTS TEXAS TEAM APPLICATION

**Registration Due:** October 25, 2020  
[ONLINE](#)

The application for the Texas Team which will (hopefully) compete in Grand Island Nebraska in June of 2021 is **NOW OPEN** on 4-HOnline

The Complete Texas Team consists of 9 discipline teams:

- Compound Archery
- Recurve Archery
- Shotgun
- Muzzleloading
- Hunting Skills
- Smallbore Rifle
- Smallbore Pistol
- Air Pistol and Air Rifle.

**DEADLINE** for submission of an application is **October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

Basic information about the Team and its qualifications can be found on our webpage at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting->

### 4-H CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGN CONTEST

**Entries Due:** November 1, 2020  
(Postmarked by)

**Entry Form:** [Click HERE](#)

Help design the Texas 4-H Foundation's 2019 Christmas Card! There will be 5 winners who get a \$100 scholarship! The contest is open to all 4-H members!

Winning designs will be used during the 4-H Foundations Christmas Card Fundraiser. Funds from this effort go to toward the County Grant Program, a fund set-up to award grants to counties based on need and relevance of





# Celebrate National 4-H Week with Texas 4-H!

Post your photos using the hashtag for the day AND #National4HWeek and be entered to WIN a 4-H goodie basket! Every post = another entry.

## 10/5 #MadeItHappenMonday

Did you finally try out that new project, win showmanship, or learn that new sewing pattern? Brag about what 4-H goals you have reached with a pic on social media!

## 10/6 #TeachItTuesday

Take what you've learned online and teach us about your project, whether that be baking a cake, programming a computer, or growing a garden. Teach about your project using videos and photos.

## 10/7 #4HSpiritDay

It's time to show your 4-H spirit! Use your 4-H Zoom backgrounds, wear all the green you can, sport your 4-H mask, show your 4-H spirit wherever you go, and post photos and videos of it!

## 10/8 #ThrowbackThursday

Time to go through those all photos and memories and post your favorites! Take it back a week, a year, or 20 years and share your photos or videos on social media!

## 10/9 #4HFamilyFriday

Your 4-H Family is what makes it all worth it, right? Shout them out this week and post some pics with your 4-H family.

## 10/10 #ServiceSaturday #OneDay4H

What difference can you make in One Day? Don't forget to post some photos of your service project!



# TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION



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Texas 4-H: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/>

4-HCONNECT: <https://texas.4honline.com/>

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