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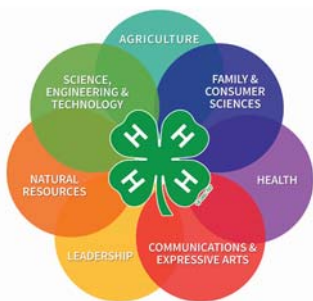
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Message from National 4-H:

Across the country, communities are facing unforeseen challenges due to the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19). For 4-H, our network of 500,000 volunteers and 3,500 4-H professionals have had to quickly understand the impact of COVID-19 and respond with swift action to support our young people and communities. While this time of uncertainty has presented new obstacles to navigate, our commitment to positive youth development is unwavering and 4-H remains present to support the six million young people we serve in every county and parish and all kids who need educational resources, mentorship and a sense of belonging in this time.

Through our community of more than 100 universities and America's Cooperative Extension System, 4-H is working diligently to continue to fulfill our mission because our work is too important, especially now, as communities across America experience the impact of school closures, delays, and for many the transition to virtual classrooms. We recognize it can be stressful for parents and families to find resources available to maintain a sense of normalcy and make sure kids don't get off track in their daily development.

We will continue our work to ensure young people and communities have the resources to stay connected and engaged throughout this time. We don't know what the coming months will bring, but what we do know is that Cooperative Extension's 4-H program is prepared to rally around our young people. Working together we will get through this and our young people will thrive.

-National 4-H Council President & CEO

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YOUNG COUNTY 4-H ACTIVITIES & DEADLINES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Please RSVP to all project meetings, practices, etc. if possible.</p> <p>This will help us prepare and set-up according to safety requirements set by our Texas 4-H Leadership Team. It also guarantees that we will have enough individual supplies needed to discourage the passing around of any resources.</p>						1
2	3 Archery Archery Depot West & 4th Street 6:00PM	4	5	6 	7	8
9	10 4-H Council Extension Office 5:00PM	11 Healthy Lifestyles Ambassador Program Extension Office 9:00AM	12	13 Healthy Lifestyles Ambassador Program Extension Office 9:00AM	14	15
16	17 Volunteer Training Young County Arena 6:00PM Archery Archery Depot West & 4th Street 6:00PM	18 Livestock Project Kick-Off Meeting Young County Arena 6:00PM	19	20 Food Project Kick-Off Meeting Young County Arena 6:00PM	21 SAVE THE DATE Awards Banquet Young County Arena 6:00PM <small>If we are unable to meet in person we will notify all 4-H members and ask you to submit photos and videos highlighting 4-H projects and successes.</small>	22
23	24 Archery Archery Depot West & 4th Street 6:00PM	25 	26	27	28	29 4-H Explosion Kick Off Event Courthouse Lawn 9:00AM–11:00AM
30	31 Archery Archery Depot West & 4th Street 6:00PM	<p>Graham Area United Way is a proud supporter of our Young County 4-H program!</p> <p>Graham Area United Way </p>				

Young County 4-H Opportunities

EXTENSION AGENT UPDATE

Dear Friends,

As you are already well aware this summer has been like no other before. Covid-19 has created many new challenges for all of us. We've seen a lot of changes within our own 4-H program with the cancellation of spring and summer projects, activities and events, district contests, state contests, and summer camps.

As we begin to kick-off our new 4-H year we are excited about upcoming opportunities for youth to engage in a variety of ways. We realize that school will soon be underway as well and we wish you a safe and healthy semester.

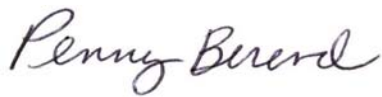
We've heard from several families who have decided to do alternative schooling through remote learning or homeschooling. If you are interested in accessing project information through a virtual platform please contact the Extension Office and let's chat about possible options.

We do plan to hold face to face meetings when we can ensure that the appropriate safety measures can be made. To help us plan for such meetings and activities please contact the Extension Office and let us know you plan to participate.

A HUGE THANK YOU to all of the volunteers, project and club leaders, who are helping to make the best experience for our 4-H members with all that is happening around us.

Excited to see you all very soon! Please don't hesitate to call should you have any questions, concerns, or just want to chat.

Thank you,



4-H ANNUAL ENROLLMENT

DATES TO REMEMBER

**When do I register for the
2020-2021 4-H Year?**



**4HCONNECT TO 4HONLINE
AUGUST 2020 TRANSITION**



- * **Returning 4-H Families**
August 15, 2020
- * **Returning Clover Kids who are entering the 3rd grade and who are 8 years old should wait until September 1, 2020 to enroll to guarantee proper age division placement.**
- * **New 4-H Families (never enrolled before)**
September 1, 2020

Where do I go to register?

- * <http://texas.4online.com>

THINGS TO KNOW

- 4HConnect will be offline for maintenance August 1-14, 2020.
- 4HConnect will be renamed 4HOnline on August 15, 2020.
- 4HOnline will look different when enrollment opens on August 15, 2020. Family profiles, member profiles and login credentials will stay the same.
- 4HOnline is mobile friendly and easy to learn.
- 4HOnline will have better accessibility options.
- 4HOnline has major improvements in the payment, search, training, communication and report areas.
- Training will be provided throughout July for Extension offices. These trainings will be provided by the 4HOnline programmers.
- Families will have to re-enter credit card information starting August 15, 2020.
- Extension employees who have a county, district or state manager account and a family account sharing the same email address will need to change one. See handouts on making that change.
- Every family account must have an email address. Visit google.com to create a free email account if needed.
- With any new program there will be issues to work out. The time period between August 15 to September 1 will be used to work those out.



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FOOD & NUTRITION



FOOD & NUTRITION KICK-OFF MEETING



AUGUST 20, 2020
YOUNG COUNTY ARENA
6:00PM

If you want to be a star in the kitchen, try the food & nutrition project! You'll learn kitchen and cooking safety, how to prepare nutritious meals and snacks, and meal ideas to reduce your risk of disease. Learning experiences focus on nutrition, food purchasing, food preparation, food safety, and related careers.

Skills Learned:

- Responsibility
- Nutrition
- Decision Making
- Public Speaking
- Leadership
- Community Service
- Communication
- Teamwork

Project Learning Opportunities:

- Workshops
- Project Meetings
- Industry Professionals
- Tours
- Contests
- Virtual Experiences

Exploration Opportunities:

- Attend project meetings
- Plan and prepare meals for your family
- Do online research related to health and nutrition
- Organize a service learning event such as a food drive
- Give a presentation to a group about a nutrition topic
- Experiment with altering recipes for better health
- Assemble a portfolio of healthy recipes
- Volunteer to help with local food and nutrition events
- Share healthy tips via social media

PLEASE RSVP TO THE YOUNG COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE
AT 940-549-0737 OR EMAIL YOUNG-TX@TAMU.EDU

Topics to be discussed:

- Fall Food & Nutrition Project
- 4-H Food & Nutrition Contests: Food Show, Food Challenge, Ag Product Identification, Food Photography, Method Demonstrations
- Additional Opportunities: Healthy Lifestyles Ambassadors, Entrepreneurship & Career Exploration, Leadership, & Videography

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LIVESTOCK

PLEASE RSVP TO SAVANNA
SAVANNA.WILLIAMS@AG.TAMU.EDU

**August 18th – Young
County Arena @ 6PM**

Livestock Project Meeting

Topics to be discussed:

- Fall Livestock Projects
 - Swine, Sheep/Goat, & Rabbits
- Validation Deadlines
- Livestock Judging Project
- Livestock Skillathon
- Ag Product ID

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VALIDATION DATES

- ♦ **STEERS**
June 23, 2020
4:00-6:00PM
Young County Arena
- ♦ **SHEEP/GOATS**
October 26, 2020
4:00-6:00PM
Newcastle ISD
- ♦ **SWINE**
November 17, 2020
Newcastle/Olney
November 19, 2020
Graham
- ♦ **RABBIT**
December 16, 2020
4:00-6:00PM
Young County Arena

*Save
the
Date*

Livestock Show Entry Deadline: December 1, 2020

***Must be enrolled on 4-H Connect as well**

Please see the following page for safety measures concerning physical validation processes.

For more information Contact Savanna at the Extension Office at 940.549.0737!



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LIVESTOCK



Safety Measures for Physical Validation Processes

Requirements:

- Committees must adhere to all city, county, and state regulations as set forth by these entities.

Strongly Recommended Best Practices:

- Work environments should operate with the absolute minimum personnel necessary for the specific task.
- No more than 10 people should be present and out of vehicles at any given time.
- Set 6 feet markers for human traffic on the premise.
- Supply alcohol-based hand sanitizer of at least 60% alcohol at every workstation and at entry/exit points.
- Distance workstations as to separate various task stations as possible, including paperwork, tagging, DNA, etc.
- Encourage at-risk family members/committee members to avoid validation, if possible. At-risk individuals include adults aged 65 years or older, those with asthma, high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity (BMI of 30 or above), heart conditions, or other chronic diseases. For more information, please [visit CDC.gov](https://www.cdc.gov).
- Assign and enforce consistent job responsibilities for each step in the validation process in an effort to avoid multiple people touching the same equipment.
- The state-level county validation committee should plan on the entire validation process taking longer than previous years and should schedule validation dates and times accordingly.
- Disinfect equipment before and after use with a disinfectant registered for use against SARS-CoV-2. Please follow all manufacturer label directions for safe, effective use.
- Encourage PPE (including cloth masks) be worn by validation committee.
- Encourage PPE (including cloth masks) be worn by all exhibitors/family members/participants attending physical validation.
- Ensure that all handwashing stations on premise are functional and supplied with soap and paper towels.
- Allow for paperwork and materials to be brought to the family's vehicles for overview to allow the persons to remain in vehicles until the time their individual livestock is in place to be validated. Only at this time should persons exit the vehicles to witness and sign documentation.
- The state-level county validation committee should offer multiple validation dates to reduce numbers of people gathering on site.
- This should include scheduling system to all scheduled times for each family in an effort to reduce the numbers of people gather on site at a given time.
- The state-level county validation committee should also be prepared to check trailers before pulling into facility to limit people/ trailers on grounds at the same time.
- Hang signage around premise to reinforce safety measures. These include but are not limited to: signage related to washing hands thoroughly for at least 20 seconds at all handwashing stations, maintaining social distance of at least 6 feet, etc.



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SHOOTING SPORTS

Project Details

This project covers firearm safety and teaches responsible handling and use for a variety of firearms, including pistols, rifles, shotguns, muzzle loading, and archery. In the Shooting Sports project, youth will learn: how to load and shoot a variety of firearms, proper maintenance of firearms, parts, and accessories, proper safety procedures in handling and shooting, about shooting sports competitions and how to participate, hunting procedures, laws and ethics related to shooting, hunting, and firearms use, and about careers related to firearms and shooting sports.

Requirements

All shooters must be enrolled in 4-H Connect, have completed 4-H & city waivers, and have attended a safety meeting! Rules & Additional information located on the Texas 4-H Shooting Sports website & District 3 4-H website.



Practices

ARCHERY: Practices are currently being held at 6pm each Monday at the Archery Depot located on the corner of 4th & West. All 4-H members will need to contact Coach David Cook to get on the practice list in order to meet all requirements for safe face-to-face meetings. Practice is currently being held outdoors to provide social distancing opportunities. Please see safety procedures for additional details.



If you are not active on facebook please shoot Coach David a message so that he can notify you should last minute cancellations or changes need to be communicated.

RIFLE/SHOTGUN: Rifle and Shotgun practices are typically held in the spring months beginning in February. If you are interested in shooting this Fall please contact the Extension Office so we can add you should we have volunteers able to assist.

Upcoming Fundraiser

If approved by our Texas 4-H Leadership Team we look forward to hosting a Young County Archery Fun Shoot on Saturday, September 19, 2020. This will provide opportunity for those who participate in opening weekend of Bow Season to come and sight their bows and participate in a fun game of competition. We will begin promotion of this event as soon as we have approval from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension. We will be following all Safety Protocols.

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VOLUNTEER TRAINING



Join us as we discuss our 4-H plans for the upcoming year, and how your gifts can best be used in serving our Young County 4-H youth!



COME ONE! COME ALL!

VOLUNTEER NIGHT

VOLUNTEERS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE & IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU THAT 4-H IS ABLE TO OFFER ALL THAT IT DOES!

PLEASE RSVP AS WE WILL
BE PROVIDING DINNER
940.549.0737
YOUNG-TX@TAMU.EDU

AUGUST 17

6PM – 8PM
YOUNG COUNTY ARENA

All New & Returning Volunteers
Club Leaders, Project Leaders, &
Coaches



4-H COVID-19 UPDATE

YOUNG COUNTY 4-H SAFETY PROTOCOL

- Group meetings of 10 or fewer with social distancing practices can be practiced. This includes youth and adult, so please ensure that youth, parents, coaches, leader, and agents are included in that 10 or fewer people.
- All other programs and activities must submit a preparedness plan and be approved by a supervisor.
- Pre-order supplies and materials, including tissues and hand sanitizers for all participants. Have face coverings available if possible.
- Hosts and participants should wear face coverings, with participants expected to provide their own PPE.
- Tables and chairs should be sanitized before and after meeting and at breaks.
- Frequently clean high-touch areas, including door handles, restroom surfaces, handrails, etc.
- Actively monitor where COVID-19 is circulating. Advise participants in advance that if they have any symptoms or feel unwell, they should not attend.
- Send anyone who appears sick away, whether employee or client.
- No self-serve buffet meals. It is recommended that all meals be individually packaged.
- Serve meals with disposable utensils, napkins, cups, and plates.
- Clean and disinfect tables, chairs, etc. after use.

Additional guidelines may need to be reviewed depending on each specific circumstance. Please visit with county agent prior to promoting or marketing any face-to-face meetings.



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Saltfork 4-H Community Club	Club Manager	Caitlin Campbell	361-446-8488	cdd.10.26@gmail.com
	Assistant Club Mgr	Carmen Neal	940-631-4866	ccneal20@gmail.com
Olney 4-H Community Club	Club Manager	Julie Hinson	940-564-3296	kjhinson@brazosnet.com
	Assistant Club Mgr	Needed *Interested? Let the Extension Office know.		
Lone Star 4-H Community Club	Club Manager	Christine Richards	940-550-4060	randc@digitalpassage.com
	Assistant Club Mgr	Needed *Interested? Let the Extension Office know.		
Renewed 4-H Home School Community Club	Club Manager	Jamie Buse	325-669-6281	jamielbuse@gmail.com
	Assistant Club Mgr	Gabby Pitcock	940-282-9424	gabbypitcock@live.com
GTX 4–H In-School Specialty Club	Club Manager	Sheena Parrilla	940-550-4913	slb23mj@hotmail.com
Shooting Sports Project Club	Club Manager	David Cook	940-782-2120	blmc2005@yahoo.com
Animals– Goat & Sheep	Leader	Needed *Interested? Let the Extension Office know.		
Animals- Rabbit	Leader	Diana Tubb	940-250-9091	dkayder3@gmail.com
Animals– Swine	Leader	Savanna Williams	940-549-0737	savanna.williams@ag.tamu.edu
Animals– Steer	Leader	Needed *Interested? Let the Extension Office know.		
Consumer Decision Making	Coach	Denise Cyr	817-306-4163	deniselcyr@gmail.com
Dog Obedience & Training	Leader	Peggy Carter	940-456-1855	txcarterps@gmail.com
		Stacey Carter	940- 456-2055	carter91014@mail.com
Fashion & Interior Design Project	Leader– Graham	Dollie French	940-550-5993	dolliecreations@gmail.com
	Leader– Olney	Mary Butler & Rosalee Craig	940-564-6355, 940-564-2800	
Fashion Show	Leader-Olney/Graham	Needed *Individual/Self Directed Contest. Parent Led. Contact Extension Office for details.		
Fashion Storyboard	Leader-Olney/Graham	Needed *Individual/Self Directed Contest. Parent Led. Contact Extension Office for details.		
Duds 2 Dazzle	Coach	Needed *Individual/Group Directed Contest. Parent Led. Contact Extension Office for details.		
Food & Nutrition	Leader	Pam Benson	817-980-7189	pam@pambenson.com
Food & Nutrition Contest: Food Show & Food Challenge <i>Coached by Parents</i>	Food Challenge Jr	Needed *Individual/Group Directed Contest. Parent Led. Contact Extension Office for details.		
	Food Challenge Int	Needed *Individual/Group Directed Contest. Parent Led. Contact Extension Office for details.		
	Food Challenge Sr	Ryan Schmidt	325-347-7262	Em.schmidt88@gmail.com
Livestock Judging	Coach Sr (9-12 grade)	Brandon Anderson	940-549-0737	mooanderson@yahoo.com
	Coach Jr (3-6 grade)	Savanna Williams	940-549-0737	savanna.williams@ag.tamu.edu
Ag Product ID & Livestock Skill-a-Thon	Coach	Savanna Williams	940-549-0767	savanna.williams@ag.tamu.edu
Plant & Range Identification	Coach	John Paclik	940-521-1170	john_paclik@hotmail.com
S.T.E.M (Robotics)	Leader	Dr. James Espinosa	979-661-1725	james.espinosa@gmail.com
Shooting Sports- Archery	Coach	David Cook Thomas Rodriguez Sara Mishler	940-782-2120 940-550-5026 940-521-8823	blmc2005@yahoo.com thomashernandez46@yahoo.com sarajo2006@gmail.com
Shooting Sports- Shotgun	Coach	Charlie Rogers	325-669-2194	charlierogers02@yahoo.com
Shooting Sports- Rifle	Coach	Gary Dunnam Wade Edwards	940-550-8808 940-456-1387	ranch4d2@hotmail.com wade.edwards41@gmail.com
Small Engines	Leader	Jerry Jones & John Slater	940-549-0737	young-tx@tamu.edu
Veterinary Science	Leader	Dr. Amy Eiland	940-456-2131	young-tx@tamu.edu
Wildlife & Fisheries	Leader	Bill McClendon	940-452-6005	bbgm2004@yahoo.com
Photography	Leader	Needed *Individual/Group Directed Contest. Parent Led. Contact Extension Office for details.		