



Austin County 4-H Newsletter

April 5, 2019



4-H Club Meeting Requirements – Austin County Fair

Remember, you must attend at least (6) 4-H Club Meetings to exhibit an animal in the Austin County Fair. Talk with your Club Leader(s) about meeting credit opportunities if you might not have six meetings by October. You can attend County Council meetings and bake cookies for the Chicken Fried Steak Drive-Thru Dinner on April 7th to help make your meeting requirements.

County Council & Parent Leaders Association

Just a reminder that it is the responsibility of the President, Vice President, and Council Delegates of each club to attend County Council Meetings and report all decisions and programs back to their clubs. **All 4-H members** are invited to attend the next County Council meeting where we will hold **OFFICER ELECTIONS** on **Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 7:00 at the Extension Office**. If you would like to run for an officer position, please complete the attached County Council Officer Application. Council offers meeting attendance incentive tickets that place members in a drawing for AWESOME prizes in July!

You can receive a ticket for:

- Attending the County Council Meeting
- Wearing a 4-H t-shirt
- Bringing a friend

There will also be a **PLA meeting that night (6:30)** that we ask all club managers, PLA officers, and project leaders to attend. Of course, ALL parents are welcome to attend!

Austin County 4-H Fair Queen Candidate

If you are interested in running for Fair Queen under Austin County 4-H, please inform your Club Manager and Kailyn. If there is more than one member who is interested, there will be a vote at the July Council Meeting.

Austin County 4-H Small Bore Invitational

Our very own Austin County 4-H Rifle is hosting an invitational contest! For more information and for a registration form, click [HERE!](#)

Location: Victoria, TX

Date: April 12-13, 2019



2019-2020 AUSTIN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL OFFICER APPLICATION

Please complete the following information:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Age: _____ Email: _____

Years in 4-H: _____ Parent Name: _____

Club Name: _____ Parent Phone: _____

Address: _____ Parent Email: _____

Please answer the following questions (you may type your responses and attach the answers to the back of this application if necessary):

1. Why would you like to serve as an officer on the Austin County 4-H Council?
2. What leadership positions have you held in the past that you feel would aid you in being a Council Officer?
3. What skills or traits do you possess that you feel allows you to be an effective leader?
4. What office would you like to hold on council and why?

*Elections will be held at the County Council Meeting on May 7, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Extension Office.

*Elections will be by secret ballot. For each position on the ballot, all non-elected nominees will have the option to run for a lower position on the ballot. If a person rolls down to a position that he/she currently holds, he/she will roll down to the next position.

*****Applications are due to the Extension Office by April 30, 2019*****

If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office at 979-865-2072

AUSTIN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL CONTRACT

I, _____ (print name), understand the obligations and duties required to serve as a County Council Officer. I agree to fulfill these requirements and participate in all Council activities. I acknowledge that I will serve as a role model to other 4-H members and agree to act accordingly and complete all necessary tasks as outlined by the Austin County 4-H Extension Office.

Requirements:

- Elected officers shall serve for a term of one year beginning in September following officer installations
- President must have served as a Council officer for a minimum of two (2) years
- 1st VP must have served as a council officer for at least one (1) year and be at least 12 years of age by Sept 1st of election year
- Elected officers that are at least 13 years old will serve as District Council Delegates

Guidelines:

- Expected to attend all council meetings-
 - Allowed 2 excused absences as defined in the Council Bylaws
 - If an officer is aware that he or she cannot attend a meeting, they will notify the Council President and Extension Office prior to the absence
- Officers should arrive at least 15 minutes early to all 4-H meetings and events
- Will be required to attend the D-11 Leadership Lab and have the opportunity to attend the Prestige Leadership Conference
- Officers are encouraged to attend all county 4-H related programs/functions

4-H Member Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Club Leader Signature

Date

D-11 Spring Spectacular

Spring Spectacular will be held in Victoria at the Victoria College Emerging Technology Complex (7403 Lone Tree Road, Victoria TX 77904), April 12-13. Good luck to all the 4-Hers who have advanced from the County Level!

2019 District 11 4-H Spring Spectacular SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, April 12

**Awards will be done at the conclusion of each contest*

Time	Event	Location
8:00 am	Food Challenge INT interview Sr Interview	101CD 102/103 104/107/108
12:30 pm	Food Show (holding) <i>Jr Judging</i> <i>Int Judging</i> <i>Sr Judging</i>	101AB 101CD 102/103 104/107 108
4:00 pm	Fashion Show Holding	101AB 101CD 102 102 103 103 104 104 107 108

Saturday, April 13

**Awards will be done at the conclusion of each contest*

8:15 am	General Orientation	101AB
8:30 am	Share the Fun – Orientation	101AB
9:00 am	Share the Fun –	101AB 101CD
9:00 am	Quiz Bowl <i>Beef</i> <i>Nutrition</i>	202 207
9:30 am	Duds to Dazzle – Orientation Quiz Bowl – Orientation	304 202
10:00 am	Duds to Dazzle – Contest <i>Interview Rooms</i>	304 302, 308
10:30 am	Educational Presentations/Public Speaking Orientation	Respective Rooms
10:45 am	Educational Presentation Public Speaking	103, 104, 203, 102
12:30 pm	Consumer Decision Making Registration	101CD
1:00 pm	CDM <i>Int Reasons</i> <i>Sr Reasons</i>	101CD 103 107, 108

District 11 4-H

LEADERSHIP LAB

June 19-21, 2019

McKinney Roughs Nature Park



Event Info: Leadership Lab is a three-day/two-night leadership training for 4-H youth. It is designed to equip participants with programs that can be replicated in the county and to allow the District 11 4-H Council to hold an annual meeting to conduct needed business for the year and to elect officers.

Age: 13-17 as of June 1, 2019. Graduated seniors will be allowed to attend.

Fee: The cost for Leadership Lab is \$200 for 4-H members, and \$165 for adult leaders. **No refunds will be given; however, substitutions are allowed!**

Registration: ALL leadership Lab participants, chaperones, and agents MUST register on 4-H Connect April 15- May 24. Late registration will be allowed from May 25-June 14 for an additional \$25.



2019 ONLINE REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

ANIMALSCIENCE.TAMU.EDU/HORSEJUDGINGCAMP

Dates: June 19-21 & June 26-28

Location: Texas A&M University

Ages: 12-18

Registration: May 18, 2019

**\$350/participant (includes meals, housing, judging manual, notebook,
and t-shirt)**

\$300 per participant if commuting and for coaches



BLINN COLLEGE DISTRICT LIVESTOCK JUDGING CAMP

Every. Point. Counts.



June 23-25, 2019

Experienced, Ages 14 and up

June 27-29, 2019

Novice, Ages 8-13

**W.J. "Bill" Rankin Agricultural Complex
Blinn College-Brenham Campus
1409 Old Mill Creek Road
Brenham, TX 77833**

Brice Mund979-224-4423
brice.mund@blinn.edu

Joe Rathmann..... 512-988-0084
joseph.rathmann@blinn.edu

Registration Deadline - May 17
Cost: \$300 • Space may be limited

Register online at www.blinn.edu/livestock-judging-camp

PRIZES AND AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED TO TOP JUDGES

Please download the liability form at www.blinn.edu/livestock-judging-camp and bring to the camp check-in.

All participants are required to submit a completed liability form.

Blinn College District Agricultural Sciences
Brenham Campus
1409 Old Mill Creek Road • Brenham, TX 77833-3422
www.blinn.edu/agriculture





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LIVESTOCK JUDGING CAMPS

1913 International Champions



2013 National Champions



*Producing
Champions for over a Century!*

Camp 1: June 17-19, 2019

Camp 2: June 21-23, 2019

For the livestock judge of all experience levels!

Camp fee \$300

Meals, lodging, literature and t-shirt included.

Registration due by May 4, 2019.

Must be ages 11-18 to attend camps.

For more information and all camp registration, visit:

<http://animalscience.tamu.edu/workshops/youth-workshops/livestock-judging-camp>

For more information contact: Keaton Dodd at (512) 924-9954 or keaton.dodd@tamu.edu.

This year's camps are designed for 4-H and FFA members interested in building their knowledge of evaluating market and breeding animals, including beef, swine, sheep, and goats. This camp focuses on selection principles, oral reasons, live market evaluation, and breeding animal performance data. Any 4-H and FFA members are welcome to attend. Instructors include Texas A&M faculty and staff, and members of the 2019 TAMU Livestock Judging Teams.

Also join us for the TAMU LIVESTOCK JUDGING CLINIC March 30, 2019.

Clinic registration can be found online at judgingcard.com.

Group Leaders Needed for Youth & Safety Day

Safety Day will take place at the Austin County Fairgrounds on May 21, 2019. We are looking for 12-14 High School Aged 4-Hers to serve as leaders for the 3rd grade tours. Leaders will arrive by 8:00 am and will finish the event by 1:15 pm. Students MUST be academically eligible to participate in this event. Volunteers will receive an excused absence for missing school to help with this event. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer for Youth and Safety Day, please call the extension office at (979)865-2072 by April 30th with your name and school.

Horse Validation

If you would like to show at the 2019 Texas 4-H Horse Show or participate in the D-11 4-H Horse Show, you MUST validate your horse(s) on 4-H Connect. Click [HERE](#) for instructions on how to validate your horse(s) or watch [THIS](#) helpful video.

Cost for validation: March 1-April 15 (\$10/horse)

April 16-May 1 (\$20/horse)

May 2-May 5 (\$250/horse)

D-11 Horse Show

Don't forget that the State 4-H Horse Show has moved to Bryan, TX this year! Many classes require participation in the District Horse Show in order to participate at State. Make sure you validate your horse(s) by the deadline as well! Rules and Classes can be found [HERE](#).

June 4-5, 2019

Brackenridge Event Center, Edna, TX

Entries: 4-H Connect (April 15 - May 10)

Late Entries: May 11 - 17 with an additional \$25 fee

State 4-H Horse Show

July 20-26, 2019

Brazos County Expo Center, Bryan, TX

Horse Show Rules and event descriptions can be found [HERE](#). Did you know that goat tying was added as a class for the horse show?

[Schedule](#)

Project Help

If you would like to schedule a project visit or need help with selection of an animal you can call the office and schedule a time with Kailyn, or contact your 4-H Species Project Leader.

2019 Austin County Fair Market Broiler Show Order & Validation Form

Name of Exhibitor

Complete Mailing Address

Physical Location of Broiler Facilities

Phone Number

4H Club or FFA Chapter

Parent's or Guardian

Parent's Email Address

Number of Chicks

Amount Paid

Please make the checks payable to Austin County Fair. **No cash! \$2.00 per chick. All birds will be wing-banded for the 2019 Austin County Fair Broiler Show. A minimum of 50 birds must be ordered per exhibitor. Additional birds maybe ordered in increments of 50 birds per exhibitor not to exceed 100 birds per exhibitor. The maximum number of birds per exhibitor is 100.**

All order forms must be turned in by **Friday, May 17, 2019 by 5:00 p.m.** There will be no exceptions to this rule. No late orders. Completed order forms need to be turned into your FFA Advisor or Austin County 4H Office.

We, the undersigned, have read the Austin County Fair Livestock Catalog and agree to abide by all rules and regulations pertaining to the animal listed on this validation and order form. We also agree that if for some reason the animal listed above will be out of our care or fed at another location than listed above for a period of 72 hours or more we will inform the broiler committee chairman. By signing this validation and order form, we give permission to the livestock superintendent, the broiler committee chairman or his representative, and/or the supervising agricultural science teacher or county extension agent to make project visits to the location listed above. Failure to comply with these or any other rules deemed necessary by the board of directors or livestock committee(s) of the Austin County Fair Association will result in disqualification of the validated animal and the exhibitor(s). If the poultry industry becomes quarantined in the State, Region, or County due to an outbreak of a disease in the industry the Austin County Fair and the Texas Animal Health Commission is not responsible if the broiler show is canceled, altered, or modified in any way.

Signed _____ Date _____
Exhibitor(s)

Signed _____ Date _____
Parent or Guardian

TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK AMBASSADOR



Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Courses

- 25 Youth Selected
- College-Level Animal Science Curriculum
- Livestock Production Knowledge Outcomes
- Agricultural Advocacy
- Career Development



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June 17-20, 2019



July 8-11, 2019



July 22-25, 2019

For more information visit: www.texasyouthlivestock.com

TEXAS 4-H EQUINE AMBASSADOR



Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador Short Course

- 15 Youth Selected
- College-Level Equine Science Curriculum
- Horse Industry Knowledge Outcomes
- Agricultural Advocacy
- Career Development

Equine Short Course: June 22-25, 2019

For more information visit: www.texasyouthlivestock.com

CONTACT YOUR COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT FOR AN
APPLICATION OR VISIT: WWW.TEXASYOUTHLIVESTOCK.COM.
CONTACT: BILLY ZANOLINI TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK SPECIALIST
PHONE: 979.845.5954 EMAIL: WFZANOLINI@AG.TAMU.EDU





Raise Your Hand!

Texas 4-H, it's time to Raise Your Hand for Texas 4-H! 4-H friends, family, volunteers, alumni, supporters, and more go to <https://4-h.org/raise-your-hand/> and "vote" for Texas 4-H. The State with the most votes will receive \$20,000 to go towards creating more youth opportunities!

Austin County Fair Information and Project Meetings

The full Austin County Fair Livestock Catalog (Rules) can be found [HERE](#). Be on the lookout for a schedule including ALL species project meeting dates. We are finalizing these dates and then it will be sent out and posted on the website at <http://austin.agrilife.org>

Upcoming dates:

Sunday, April 7: Colt Meeting @ Rice Ranch (6:00 pm)

Tuesday, April 9: Livestock Project Meeting @ Extension Office (6:30 pm)

Thursday, April 11: Beef Meeting @ Extension Office (6:30 pm)

Sunday, May 5: Mandatory Colt Meeting @ Rice Ranch (6 pm)

Friday, May 10: Broiler Order Deadline

Friday, May 10: Commercial Pen of Heifers Tag-In @ Four County Auction Barn (5-7 pm)

Saturday, May 11: Steer/Heifer Tag-In @ Four County Auction Barn (7-10 am)

Saturday, May 11: Swine Project Meeting @ Extension Office (5 pm)

"Remind"ers

Receiving instantaneous information can be helpful! I will be sending out deadlines and reminders through the Remind App. If you have a smartphone, download the Remind App and get push notifications regarding Austin County 4-H. If not, you can receive text messages with important information and updates. Click the link or text @3b32k9 to 81010 to join Austin County 4-H!

<https://www.remind.com/join/3b32k9>

Website

Visit the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension – Austin County Website for more information! <http://austin.agrilife.org>

Facebook

Another way of seeing information quickly and communicating with the Extension Office is through the Austin County 4-H Facebook Page. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/AustinCounty4H/> and give us a like!



2019-2020 Texas 4-H/FFA Heifer Validation - UIN Order Form

Exhibitor's Name: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Email: _____

Number of UIN'S	X Per Tag	Total
	\$15.00 By April 15 th	
	\$25.00 April 16 th – June 19 th	
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE		

- All UIN'S must be purchased in advance.
- These UIN'S are good for all fall and spring majors.
- Major livestock shows (majors) include Austin, Fort Worth, Houston, San Angelo, San Antonio, and State Fair of Texas.
- Once a heifer is validated, the validation is good for the entire show career of the heifer, unless it changes ownership.
- There will be another validation and tag orders held in the fall.

Please make checks payable to:

Livestock Project Group (LPG)

Remit form and payment to the Extension Office.

Date: _____

Received From: _____

Cash: _____ Check #: _____ Amount of Check: _____

This form will serve as your receipt and proof of payment.



2019-2020 Texas 4-H/FFA Steer Validation Tag Order Form

Exhibitor's Name: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Email: _____

Number of Tags	X Per Tag	Total
	\$15.00 By April 15 th	
	\$25.00 April 16 th – June 19 th	
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE		

- All tags must be purchased in advance.
- These validation tags are good for all fall and spring majors.
- Major livestock shows (majors) include Austin, Fort Worth, Houston, San Angelo, San Antonio, and State Fair of Texas.

Make checks payable to

Livestock Project Group (LPG)

Remit form and payment to the Extension Office.

Date: _____

Received From: _____

Cash: _____ Check #: _____ Amount of Check: _____

This form will serve as your receipt and proof of payment.



2019 Texas 4-H/FFA State Fair Market Goat and Lamb Validation Tag Order Form

Exhibitor's Name: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Email: _____

	Number of Tags	X Per Tag	Total
Market Goat		\$15.00 By April 15 th	
Market Lamb		\$25.00 April 16 th – June 19 th	
Total Amount Due			

- All tags must be purchased in advance.
- Tags are good only for 2019 State Fair of Texas ONLY.

Please make checks payable to

Livestock Project Group (LPG)

Remit form and payment to the Extension Office.

Date: _____

Received From: _____

Cash: _____ Check #: _____ Amount of Check: _____

This form will serve as your receipt and proof of payment.

4-H members may return form and payment to extension office for Ms. Kailyn to deliver to Mr. Diezi

Austin County 4-H & FFA

Tag Order Form

2019 4-H/FFA Swine Validation

Tags good for State Fair of Texas

Only one order form per family or Club/Chapter

Order all the tags you feel necessary, late fees will apply after deadline.

Only use this form to purchase tags for animals being validated for State Fair of Texas.

Ordering tags Does Not Enter an exhibitor into any show.

Parents and exhibitors are required to be present at tag in with animal. If unable to attend tag in, parents and exhibitors must make prior arrangements with the Ag Office to sign paperwork etc.

Please Print Clearly

Exhibitor Name(s): _____ or _____ or _____

4-H Club or FFA Chapter: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian/Club Leader Name: _____

Parent/Guardian/Club Leader Email: _____

Daytime/Work Phone: _____

Swine Tags _____ x\$18/tag=\$ _____ Cash _____ Check# _____

Signature of Person Preparing this Form: _____

Mail form and payment, or deliver in person to:
Bellville FFA
Ag Dept.
518 S. Mathews St.
Bellville, TX 77418

Questions? Contact:
Jacob Diezi
jdiezi@bellvilleisd.org
979-865-3681

Orders Due April 15, 2019

Club Managers Corner

-LPG Drive-Thru Dinner: April 7th (12-1)

-Livestock Project Group Meeting: Extension Office, April 9th at 6:30 pm

-Spring Spectacular: April 12-13th

-Austin County 4-H Smallbore Invitational: April 12th – 13th

-Horse Validation Deadline: April 15th / May 1st

-Deadline to Notify Office to be a Volunteer for Safety Day: April 30th

-PLA Meeting: Extension Office, May 7th at 6:30 pm

-County Council Meeting: Extension Office, May 7th at 7:00 pm

-Registration Deadline for D-11 Leadership Lab: May 24th / June 14th

-D-11 Horse Show Entry Deadline: May 10th / May 17th

-Austin County Fair Broiler Order Forms Due: May 17th

-Youth & Safety Day: May 21st

***If you have a member who is short on meeting credits, LPG is looking for volunteers to help at the Drive-Thru on April 7th. Members can also receive credits for baking 2 dozen cookies and separating them two to a pack.**

Veterinary Science Summer Camps

**Texas A&M University
College Station
June 17-19, 2019**

**West Texas A&M University
Canyon
July 8-10, 2019**



The goal of the Texas 4-H Veterinary Science Camp is to provide experiential learning opportunities for students participating in the Veterinary Science Certification Program (VSCP). Students will learn and practice clinical skills on large and small animals under the supervision of a veterinarian. Students may earn 33 of the 78 clinical skill hours required for the VSCP certification process.

Cost of program: \$225.00 (includes room, meals, and materials)

Deadline: by 5:00 pm on April 5, 2019

Online Submission: [Via Qualtrics](#)

Requirements: 4-H member 12—18 years old as of September 1, 2019.

Applicants will be notified by April 30, 2019 regarding application results.

*Applicants will be notified if they are accepted/denied.

An application does not ensure entrance into the camp. The camp is limited to 25 participants at each site.

Contact: Dr. Joe Mask at joe.mask@ag.tamu.edu

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Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions at kailyn.capps@ag.tamu.edu or (979)865-2072.

“To Make the Best Better”,

**Kailyn Capps
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
Austin County
County Extension Agent
4-H and Youth Development**

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