



2023-2024 Guadalupe County 4-H Yearbook

An informational handbook with 4-H club/group information as well as 4-H facts, calendar, project information and award opportunities.

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Welcome to Guadalupe County 4-H!!

Dear 4-H Families,

If you are brand new to the 4-H program, then welcome to Guadalupe County 4-H! If you are returning for another great year, then we welcome you back! We have a lot of great opportunities lined up for the 2023-2024 4-H year! There have been some changes to our program here in the county and at the state level as well!

4-H is one of the nation's largest youth organizations, with several thousand members involved in Guadalupe County 4-H clubs and groups, school enrichment projects and special interest programs. Around 200 volunteers provide guidance to the over 500 4-H members through project work and club activities throughout the county. 4-H is the youth component of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, which is part of the Texas A&M University System.

4-H is definitely a family affair, so we encourage the entire family to get involved, it becomes part of your everyday life! You will get out of 4-H what you put into it, so learn everything you can and don't hesitate to ask questions. It's hard to know what answers to give you until we hear your questions. Believe me, even extension agents have questions!

We provide you this yearbook as a resource of information on club and county 4-H happenings. Please read through it, and keep it handy throughout the year. Everything you ever needed or wanted to know about Guadalupe 4-H is in it! We also provide a monthly Extension newsletter, which includes a 4-H and youth program section. These newsletters are our main source of communication with you, so please read your newsletter to keep up with dates and deadlines, and to ensure that you don't miss any opportunities. Be sure to check out our website (<http://guadalupe.agrilife.org>) & Facebook page (<http://facebook.com/guadalupecounty4h>) for this Yearbook, the monthly newsletters and countless other resources. We also now have a Instagram for our 4-H program at @guadco4h

Best wishes for a fantastic 4-H year. We have a lot of new county wide projects starting this year; we are looking many new opportunities! I look forward to seeing you at events throughout the year, meeting you if I have not yet, and working with you to continue to make the best better!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Matthew J. Miranda". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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4-H Facts

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills.

Texas 4-H began in 1908 in Jack County (Jacksboro). In the fall of 1907, Mr. T.M. (Tom) Marks, met with 12 young men to form a “corn club.” This meeting was the first 4-H meeting in Texas. The purpose was to teach young people new practices for raising corn that the farmers (fathers) would not adopt. Under Mr. Marks’ guidance, the boys experienced successful corn crops and numerous awards at the State Fair that year. Within a matter of years, “pig clubs,” “beef calf clubs” (Coleman County, 1910) and girls’ “tomato clubs” (Milam County, 1912) were also initiated. The Texas 4-H Museum is located in Jacksboro. 4-H began in the US in 1902, as a national movement for positive youth development.

4-H Club and Program Facts

Club Motto & Pledge	<i>In support of the 4-H Club Motto, To Make the Best Better, I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service and my health to better living for my club, my community, my country and my world.</i>
Prayer	<i>“Help me, O Lord, to live so that the world may be a little better because Thou did'st make me. Amen”</i>
Emblem	<i>The four leaf clover with the letter “H” on each leaf for head, heart, hands and health. This emblem is protected by a United States Department of Agriculture copyright.</i>
Colors	<i>Green represents life and white symbolizes purity.</i>
Membership & Age	<i>Join and participate in a 4-H club, register on https://texas.4honline.com and enroll in at least 1 project. Youth in the 3rd grade and up to the 12th grade may enroll in 4-H. For most county, district, and state 4-H contests, the age divisions are (age as of Aug 31): <u>Junior</u>-ages 3rd grade– 5th grade, <u>Intermediate</u>– 6th grade to 8th grade, <u>Senior</u>-9th grade to 12th grade. It is \$25 per child when you enroll BEFORE October 31! November 1, cost goes to \$30.</i>
Project	<i>A determined area of focus or subject matter including a planned sequence of learning experiences, can be in a group or independently (with a project leader)</i>
Clover Kids	<i>An informal, hands-on educational program for youth grades K-2nd. Clover Kids may participate in 4-H activities and other events in which they meet the rules and guidelines. A Clover Kids Group can exist within a 4-H club or as a stand alone group, with Group Leaders and other Adult/Teen Leaders providing educational activities specifically for the 5-8 year old age group. Clover Kids are free!</i>
Club Manager	<i>The Volunteer(s) who oversee a 4-H club, works with 4-H officers, parents, leaders, and members in promoting the goals of 4-H, and serves as the contact person between the club and the county Extension office. The Clover Kids Group Leader is the “club manager” of a Clover Kids Group.</i>
Project Leader	<i>Volunteer who provides structured learning experiences and personal guidance and counseling in project related opportunities for the 4-H members enrolled in a project group. They can be a club project leader or lead it for the whole county.</i>
Activity Leader	<i>Volunteer who works closely with the club manager(s), and are responsible for one or more activity (non-project) areas in the 4-H club.</i>
Junior Leader	<i>4-H member who is as least in the 5th grade with 1 year of experience who assists leaders by taking responsibility for specific tasks.</i>
Teen Leader	<i>4-H member who is 7th grade or older with 1 year of 4-H experience who accepts primary leadership responsibility for a project group or 4-H club.</i>

Extension Agent *Professional who coordinates the Extension program, which includes the 4-H and youth development component.*

4-H Contests and Judged Activities

Recordbook *4-H member records prepared in a specific format and judged on the county, district, and state levels. This is where a 4-Her can record ALL of their 4-H Project Experiences!*

Food Show *Contest in which 4-H'ers make a dish and are interviewed by judges on what they have learned during the food project.*

Food Challenge *This contest is much like "Iron Chef." A team of 4-Hers is given ingredients are allowed 45 minutes to create a dish with only those ingredients!*

Fashion Show *Contest in which 4-H'ers make or purchase clothing and are interviewed by judges on what they have learned during the clothing project.*

Fashion Storyboard *Contest in which 4-H'ers create their OWN clothing and accessory designs. These boards are judged on what their design and quality of the board.*

Judging Contest *Contest in which 4-H'ers evaluate items (animals or products), rank them, and present oral reasons for their placings. (Livestock, Range and Grass, Entomology, Meats, Horse, etc.)*

Quiz Bowl *Contest in which 4-H'ers "buzz in" and answer questions related to a specific subject matter (beef, horse and nutrition).*

Roundup *County Roundup includes educational presentations, public speaking and Share the Fun contests. Texas 4-H Roundup, held in June at Texas A&M, includes these contests, along with other contests, and recognition assemblies.*

Educational Presentation *An oral demonstration of knowledge and skills in a certain project area. Can be accomplished using props, posters or media presentations, or it can be you just speaking and convincing, or simply educating, with words alone.*

Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge *State 4-H Level Contest/ Camp where 4-Hers compete in outdoor activities such as fishing, climbing Outdoor ID, Camping Skills, Orienteering, Shooting, Archery and much more.*

4-H Events and Awards

Texas 4-H Congress *Mock legislative session, held in even numbered years at the state capital for senior age 4-H members, will be held in 2024, 2026, & 2028*

Gold Star *Highest county 4-H achievement award.*

Texas 4-H Conference Center *Located on Lake Brownwood, this provides facilities and conference services for educational use by 4-H youth, volunteers, Extension personnel and others.*

Interstate Exchange *Groups travel to and host other 4-H groups from other states. Our county is very active in this program*

National 4-H Congress *The premier 4-H event in the world! This week long event in November combines 2000+ kids from around the United States and several other countries in leadership development, citizenship and more.*

4-H Club Meetings

4-H Clubs and Clover Kids Groups meet monthly to conduct a 4-H Club Meeting! Each meeting has four parts to it; There is the **inspiration** (flags, pledges), the **business meeting** (to conduct the club business), the **educational program** (where they learn something new), and the **recreation** (where they participate in a game or activity). 4-H club meetings are **led and conducted** by 4-H'ers who are elected into officer positions, under the direction of a 4-H Club Manager(s). Together, they form an executive committee to give overall guidance to the club. Club meetings are held monthly...some clubs don't meet during the summer or during the Guadalupe County Youth Show

4-H Club Committees

Functioning committees help their clubs in many ways. They can give members extra opportunities for involvement and leadership in the club. Committees can also make business meetings run more smoothly and quickly, because much of the detailed planning and/or fact finding can be done outside the regular club meeting. Committee chairmen give leadership to club committees, and are assisted by an adult advisor. Committee work varies according to the task of the committee.

4-H Club Meeting Agenda

The 4-H Club Presidents and Club Managers may use the following agenda to plan each monthly meeting. Items do not have to be done in the order listed.

- **Call To Order**
- **Inspiration (includes 4-H Motto, Pledge and Prayer)**
- **Roll Call & Recognition of New Members and Guests**
- **Reading Of Minutes**
- **Reports (Treasurer, projects, committees, Council Delegate, etc.)**
- **Unfinished Business**
- **New Business**
- **Program**
- **Announcements**
- **Adjourn**
- **Recreation**
- **Refreshments**

The entire 4-H Club meeting should only take around an hour to hour and a half!

Club Program

This is the educational part of the meeting. Speakers can be invited in to present on a specific area of interest. You can bring in county agents, Ambassadors or other kids, producers or other experts! It is up to the club to choose a program for each month. Every club **MUST** have a program for the 4-Hers, monthly.

Parliamentary Procedure

These are the rules that help groups to conduct business with less confusion. Robert's Rules of Order is the oldest and most recognized set of rules for conducting business meetings and the method 4-H uses to conduct its business meetings. A motion is a formal way of introducing an idea to the group, and below are 8 simple steps in making a motion.

1. Stand and address the presiding officer.
2. Be recognized by the presiding officer.
3. Make the motion by saying, "I move..."
4. The motion is seconded by another member.
5. The President restates the motion.
6. The group discusses the motion.
7. The President puts the motion to a vote.
8. The President announces the results of vote.

The county agent can present an educational program to the club on parliamentary procedure and more...be sure to contact the county office for more information

How do I enroll in the 4-H Program?

The following is a quick reference guide to get you and your family enrolled on 4-H Connect for the 2023-2024 4-H Year! Mozilla Firefox is the preferred browser to use, as it was designed in that system. However, we have a NEW system this year and it should be more compatible with smart phones.

1. Access the 4-H Online system at: <https://v2.4honline.com>

2. ***New Members:*** Create family profile by selecting the “**Don’t have an account” button**

Returning Members: Use your e-mail and password and access your established profile. If you have forgotten your e-mail and/or password contact your county Extension Office for assistance. **DO NOT CREATE A NEW PROFILE!!!!**

3. ***New Members:*** Create your family profile first. Include your email that you use most often, the family last name, cell phone and your password. These are all Required fields. You **MUST** have an email address. Once page is set up, add a youth and/or adult profiles under your family profile. As you enter information please make sure that all information is correct.

Returning Members: In the family profile, click view next to each member profile name. Be sure to click the green edit button and ensure that the individual’s email, birthday and number are correct. Manually type in the birthday in numerical form, do not use the interface it does not work correctly. For Volunteers, please choose activity leader or project leader, do not choose program leaders. Click on the “Edit” button beside profile name. Review and update all information pertaining to this profile. **DO NOT JUST CLICK AND MOVE ON - CHECK IT ALL!!!! BE SURE TO UPDATE YOUR YEARS OF INVOLVEMENT FOR BOTH THE 4-HERS AND ADULT LEADERS.** Incorrect information can jeopardize your ability to register for an event, receive school excused absences, not receive communications.

4. Once all profile information is current and correct under the *Personal Information, Additional Information, Participation Areas, Medical Waiver and Consequences of Misbehavior* parts of enrollment, continue to the **Invoice page.**

5. Review your invoice to ensure that the participation fee has been charged and it is correct. **It should be \$25.00 before November 1.** Once information has been reviewed, click **continue** to the Payment screen. (Note, on November 1, the cost will be \$30.00) Clover Kids & Parents are **\$10.00 each.**

6. ***Double check your exp. Date on your saved debit or credit card to ensure that the card can be used. ALSO, adults, double check your birthday. Please note that each adult will need their own email address for screening purposes.***

7. Confirm your participation fee by clicking the “Confirm Order.” Your pending enrollment will then be sent to the county office for review and acceptance. The County Agent will approve the profiles.

8. When the county Extension Office receives your enrollment notice they will review all information and approve your membership. If payment was made by credit/debit card, the payment will be processed and if accepted your enrollment status will become ACTIVE. If participation fee is by club/county check, the County Extension Office will need to create an invoice, secure a check, and mail both invoice and check to the Texas 4-H Office. Once invoice and check has been received it will be processed and credited against the 4-H members' profile. Once credited, the membership status will become ACTIVE.

ALL ADULT LEADERS WILL NEED TO FILL OUT THE TWO REQUIRED YOUTH SAFETY TRAININGS ON 4-H CONNECT UNDER THEIR PERSONAL PROFILE

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Guadalupe County 4-H Standing Rules

The County 4-H Council is an advisory committee and must assist in making plans and executing these plans on the county basis. The council is responsible to the clubs it represents and to the County Extension Agents. The County Extension Agents for 4-H serves as the advisor to the County 4-H Council. Membership is open to all people, regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity.

These are standing rules for the Guadalupe County 4-H Program. Other rules exist in the county council by-laws which are available upon request.

- ***ALL interviews for ALL 4-H Awards and Ambassador Positions will be IN PERSON, Unless you are out of town for another 4-H sanctioned event. If you must be out of town, you should still dress nicely to interview.***
- There are to be NO knives, multi-tools, pepper spray, Tasers, firearms (not used for Shooting sports) or any other type of weapon allowed at ANY 4-H event unless otherwise stated.
- There are many team contests in 4-H. For some teams (Leaders 4 Life, etc.) failure to attend a majority of the practices before the district contest will result in removal from the team to keep it fair for other members.
- You will not be allowed to participate in any 4-H event if you are academically ineligible...this includes during time in alternative school or DAEP.
- Guadalupe County 4-H pays for all entries for District 4-H contests. With that said, if a 4-H'er decides not to attend a district contest after the county paid the entry fee, that 4-H'er will be required to pay the fee back before the county will pay any further fees for that 4-H member. Unpaid fees from the '21-'22 year will be kept in mind.
- Failure to participate in a project that you are an officer for a project development committee for will result in being unable to be an officer again the next 4-H year.
- According to the Texas 4-H Office, you must participate in the 4-H program in the county in which you reside or in an adjacent county as long as you fill out a county Transfer form. This form is to be approved by the county agents in both counties, the district 10 office, and the Texas 4-H Office.
- According to the Texas 4-H Rules, 4-H has a Three-strikes rule. You must abide by the code of conduct you filled out when you joined 4-H. Failure to do this will result consequences as laid out by the code.
- If you are not a registered 4-H member or volunteer, and behave in a way that is detrimental, dangerous or otherwise not in the best interest of basic youth development and the 4-H program, you will be asked to leave the function you are attending & escorted out.
- You will not, under ANY CIRCUMSTANCES be allowed to "bend the rules," this is still cheating and we will pull your entry or validation if you are caught doing so.
- If you have an issue with the results of a contest, please talk to your county agents first, do NOT attack the staff in charge of the event. This makes our county look rude and ill-mannered. If you have an issue, contact your agent before going higher.

If it is determined by the county 4-H Agent that you are not conducting yourself as a volunteer in a manner to best serve the youth in your club/project, or are acting in a way to disrupt the county 4-H program, you may be subject to reprimand or removal from the 4-H program according to Texas 4-H

2023-2024 Food Challenge & Food Show Guidelines

**Foods and Nutrition County Website: https://guadalupe.agrilife.org/?page_id=104
For updated information on contest rules and guidelines, please email Matt Miranda at mjmiranda@ag.tamu.edu or call at 830-303-3889.**

COUNTY 4-H FOODS COALITION AND PROJECT COMMITTEE

August 14at 6 pm at the Extension office. ** This group will elect foods officers and discuss the foods and nutrition project FOR 2023-2024.

Contest Dates

- County Fair Desserts on Display Contest @ Coliseum: Saturday, October 14 at 2pm, Deadline September 29
- County Fair Food Challenge contest -Coliseum: Sunday, October 15th, 2023, Deadline: September 29
- County 4-H Food Challenge, Food Show and *FCH Quiz Bowl contest (*if needed) – Red Barn: Sunday, October 29th. Deadline: Monday, October 23
- District 10 4-H Food Show and FCH Quiz Bowl - Kerrville, Wednesday, November 29
- District 10 4-H Food Challenge - Kerrville, Thursday, November 30

FOOD CHALLENGE:

A few changes have been made to the 2023-24 Texas 4-H Food Challenge Guidelines.

- **REMEMBER—COST IS REMOVED FROM THE CONTEST**
- **Supply Boxes:** The following changes have been made to the supply box and the supply box pantry:
 - * An EMPTY tub for dirty dishes may be placed on top of equipment box.
 - * Added to Supply Box List: Cookie Cutters (up to 2 - Team Choice)
 - * Deleted from Supply Box List: Beverage Cup
 - * Added to Supply Box Pantry: Cornstarch (up to 1 lb) or Flour (up to 1 lb)

CATEGORIES: There will be four food categories in each age division, they are: Appetizer, Main Dish, Side Dish, and Healthy Dessert.

Kits will be checked out on a first come, first serve bases.

\$50 – check out a food challenge kit. Fee will be returned upon return of kit. Kits will not be restocked with disposable or usable items. Fee will not differ if you have 3 or 4 kids on the team. After the kit is checked out, we will **not** be providing extra gloves, paper towels, trash bags, storage bags, disposable tasting spoons, sanitizing wipes, Band-Aids, hand sanitizer, etc. You will need to provide those for your team.

FOOD SHOW:

2023-2025 THEME: The Texas 4-H Food Show theme will stay consistent for two consecutive years. Keeping the theme for two years allows workshops, tours, etc. at the local level to be planned and offered for an extended amount of time; thus, increasing the learning and opportunities. The theme for the 2024 and 2025 state contest will be: *Cooking Through the Decades...* Take a trip back in time and explore different dishes that were popular in years past! Some of our most favorite recipes and dishes were made popular in a different decade than we live in today.

For seniors that may qualify for state, please note: The state contest will continue to provide full-size stoves for use when available. Rental has been difficult in past years; therefore, if the committee cannot secure full-size stoves, smaller convection ovens and hot plates will be provided for contestants to use. Contestants will be notified prior to the contest if this equipment substitution is necessary.

CATEGORIES: Food show categories include the following:

- **Appetizer** – Traditionally an appetizer is a small dish or food that is eaten prior to the main course. When selecting recipes for this category, contestants should consider foods that are lower in fat, sodium, and calories so as to not ruin one's appetite.
- **Main Dish** –The main dish is usually the heaviest, heartiest, and most substantial dish in a meal. In a meal consisting of several courses, the main dish is served during the main course and is the featured dish of the meal. The key ingredient is usually meat or another protein food, but they may contain other foods.
- **Side Dishes** – Side dishes are foods that are usually served along with a main dish or as accompaniments to the main course. Suggested dishes may include salads, cooked vegetables, cooked fruit, pasta or rice dishes, and/or combination vegetable dishes.
- **Healthy Desserts** – Healthy can still mean delicious when it comes to desserts. Dishes in this category should be served at the end of the meal or for special occasions. Contestants should modify traditional recipes with healthy substitutions and consider MyPlate and Dietary Guidelines when selecting recipes for this category.



2023-2024 4-H YEAR REQUEST TO TRANSFER MEMBERSHIP

Any youth or family requesting their membership be transferred from one county to an adjacent county will complete this form. The form must be submitted thirty (30) days prior to membership being transferred. Membership will not be considered active in the adjacent county until all parties have approved the form.

Is this a family or individual member transfer request? Family Transfer Individual 4-H Member

Name of 4-H Members: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____
 _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____
 _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____
 _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

County of Residence: _____

County of Current 4-H Membership: _____

County/Club Requesting Membership be Transferred to: _____

☐ Moved Residence Date: _____

Reason for Membership Transfer (please provide a detailed explanation for your request to transfer membership): _____

Submitted by: _____
 Printed Name of Parent/Guardian Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

Form Routing:			
Approved	Denied		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	County Extension Agent - County Transferring To	Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	County Extension Agent - County of Residence	Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	District 4-H Specialist	Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	District Extension Administrator	Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate Director for County Programs	Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Texas 4-H Youth Development Program Director	Date

Routing Instructions: The District Office will upload the form and then it is up to the County Extension Agent(s) to check the status of the transfer request at: https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/crosscounty/form_login.html. Transfer requests are reviewed on a weekly basis.

GUADALUPE CO. 4-H MAJOR EVENTS BY MONTH, 2023-2024



Dates will be posted in the newsletter and on Facebook up to three months in advance.

Month of Event	Major Events Held by Month
Month of September	4-H Informational, County Livestock Judging Contest, Broiler Orders DUE, Food PDC Meeting, Red Barn Ag fairs
Month of October	Sheep and Goat Validation @ Fair Grounds, Guadalupe County Fair (Desserts on Display, Food Challenge, Etc.), One Day 4-H (Tentative), County Food Challenge, County Food Show, County FCH Quiz Bowl, SCUC ISD Ag Fairs, County 4-H Scholarship Training
Month of November	County & Major Stock Show Entry Night, County 4-H Council and Booster Club Meeting, Swine Validation @ Fair Grounds, Christmas Tree Contest @ Wells Fargo, County Educational Presentations and Public Speaking Contest
Month of December	District 10 Fall Roundup in Kerrville, County Rabbit Validation, County Christmas Tree Contest at 1st United Bank
Month of January	Container Pick Up Night and Photo Dropoff for Youth Show, Guadalupe County Youth Show, County 4-H Council and Booster Club, Texas 4-H Scholarship Apps Due
Month of February	Youth Day at San Antonio Stock Show, District 10 Photo Contest, D10 Horse Judging, San Antonio Stock Show, San Angelo Stock Show
Month of March	County 4-H Photography Contest, County 4-H Council Meeting County, 4-H Clothing Contests, County Share the Fun Contests
Month of April	Bexar Co. Project Show, District 10 Meats Contest, District 10 Spring Roundup, County Recordbook and Award Training
Month of May	Texas 4-H Scholarship Interviews, County 4-H Council Meeting, County 4-H Outdoor Challenge
Month of June	Texas 4-H Roundup, District 10 4-H Horse Show, Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge, County Recordbooks and Award Apps Due, County Recordbook Judging, District 10 Leadership Lab, County Awards & Amb. Interviews
Months of July & August, 2022	Texas 4-H Dog Show Texas 4-H Horse Show & SS State Games County 4-H Officer & Manager Training Guadalupe County 4-H Banquet

County 4-H Project Information

4-H projects are the fun and educational experiences in 4-H. In a participate and learn to set goals, keep records, help others, develop leadership skills, evaluate results and explore possible careers. Projects can be club, county, and state supported projects, or they can be projects that 4-Hers do on their own. These types of projects are called “self-directed” projects and are not supported with educational materials by the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program. Basically, ANYTHING can be made into a 4-H Project! Other state or national 4-H programs may have resources to support your project. Contact your county agent for more info.

4-H Project Objectives

Every 4-H project has a set of objectives. These objectives should be kept in mind when planning out your 4-H project experiences. They are: *1. Attain a broad knowledge of 4-H projects and activities and the way they improve family and community life. 2. Acquire life skills essential for becoming an active, skilled, productive and responsible citizen. 3. Adopt and apply the latest practices and research findings to everyday living. 4. Use all 4-H training and experiences in choosing and preparing for a job. Finally, 5. Develop leadership skills that promote positive youth development.*

Each 4-H Project Should Consist of the following four parts:

☐ **Learning Experiences** - 5 or more learning experiences of 20-60 minutes in length that build on each other. Some examples are:

*Educational Tours
Contests
Exhibits
Speeches
Bowls*

*Workshops
Demonstrations
Expos
Videos/DVD
Self-study: Magazines, internet research*

*Clinics
Interviews of Experts
Educational Presentations
Television shows*

☐ **Community Service** - helping others and your community.

Examples: Making a difference in your community

Helping those that may not be able to help themselves

Teaching others how to better themselves

☐ **Leadership** - helping other people achieve goals through guidance; teaching or leading others. Examples:

Teaching/Guiding others

Organize/Lead a group activity

Demonstration/speech

Plan a tour

Conducting a workshop

Share information with others

Assist an adult

Junior/Teen Leader

☐ **Exhibition of Project Work** - sharing what you have learned with someone else. Examples:

Contest

Speech

Livestock show

Fair

Educational presentation

Exhibit

Project Groups & Timeline for a Project

- ⇒ Projects can take place any time of the year
- ⇒ Each project has it's own timeline; some projects' timelines are designated by contests or exhibitions
- ⇒ For instance, the food project will mostly be in the fall because the district show is in early December but the public speaking project will mainly be in the spring because district roundup is in April.
- ⇒ Consists of 4-H members in the same project
- ⇒ Can be within club and/or county-wide
- ⇒ Provide opportunities to fulfill all components of project
- ⇒ Coordination provided by adult leaders, teen leaders, and junior leaders
- ⇒ Extension of 4-H club - “classroom” club project leaders are listed within each club's information.

Guadalupe County 4-H Clover Kids and Participation in 4-H Activities

Clover kids is a program for youth in grades K-2. They must sign up on 4-H connect like the rest of our 4-Hers, and pay a \$10 fee to cover insurance. Clover Kids attend 4-H club meetings and participate in activities like dog training, Plants, Food and Nutrition, Crafts, Photography, Safety, and more! Being a clover kid is meant to be FUN!

Guadalupe County 4-H has several Contests that Clover Kids can participate in:

Food and Nutrition—	Food Show and Food Challenge
Fashion and Interior Design—	Fashion Show, Storyboard, Duds to Dazzle
Share the Fun—	Any Share the Fun Category
Educational Presentations—	Any educational presentation category
Public Speaking Presentations—	On any topic
Photography—	Can enter any category
Recordbooks—	May complete a recordbook
Project show—	Can enter any of the 75 categories
Outdoor Ed.—	Fishing, Canoeing, Swimming, Outdoor ID, Biologist Skills, Knot tying, etc

Projects are restricted to those mentioned above which the youth can, by themselves, understand. Projects for Clover Kids ARE NOT to be entered into competition, meaning they cannot compete, but we do allow them to enter contests as an exhibition and for learning purposes!

Projects are not eligible to be entered into competition in traditional 4-H program events and activities reserved for the 9 (or 8 and in the third grade) to 12th grade group. Projects may be exhibited at an appropriate Extension approved 4-H Clover Kids event. In presentations and exhibits, Clover Kids will be presented participation awards only, with recognition based upon completing and exhibiting the product or skill. No placing shall be permitted. As for projects that clovers cannot participate in, here are a few of them:

Horse Riding	Shooting Sports of all kinds
All Livestock Projects	Robotics (due to knowledge level)
Any full contests	Judging Contests

Our goal is to have a CLOVER KID ROUNDUP contest in July 2024 where clover kids can compete in “contests” and show off their skills. Our older 4-H members will serve as mentors and judges! Stay tuned for more information.

Who Leads a 4-H Project?

Project leaders are the people who give the 4-Hers their project opportunities. They are usually adults that have an interest or training in the particular area they are teaching, although some project leaders volunteer just to help out! There are three types of project leaders in the 4-H Program:

Adult Project Leader

- ◆ These are the general project leaders that provide project meetings, learning experiences, field trips, provide face to face instruction, one-on-one guidance and project development for 4-Hers enrolled in their various projects
- ◆ These leaders are usually at least 19 and up
- ◆ They are screened via 4-H Connect and **MUST** enroll on 4-H connect

Teen Leader

- ◆ These are 4-H Youth Leaders from ages 13 to 19 that volunteer to completely lead a 4-H Project with other youth. They take the full job of a project leader or the place of a project leader
- ◆ These leaders **MUST** have at least **One** year of project experience before teaching the project.

Junior Project Leader

- ◆ These leaders are 4-Hers that are at **LEAST** 10 years or older and must have been a 4-H member for at least a full 4-H year.
- ◆ They assist adult project leaders or teen leaders with the project

Where do I get my Project Resources?

There are lots of different places you can get your information to lead a 4-H project. Your *county Extension Agents* are a good source of information and have access to many of the state and national 4-H *Curricula* that is available. <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/school-curriculum/> This is from the Texas 4-H Website where you can find a LOT of curricula on various projects!

TEXAS 4-H PROJECT LIST

AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK	FAMILY & COMMUNITY HEALTH	NATURAL RESOURCES	LEADERSHIP & CITIZENSHIP	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, & MATH
Beef Cattle Dairy Cattle Dog Care & Training Goats (Dairy & Mohair) Goats (Meat) Horse Horticulture Junior Master Gardener Livestock Judging Meat Science Poultry (Chickens & Turkeys) Rabbits Sheep Soil & Crop Science Swine Veterinary Science	Consumer Education Fashion & Interior Design Foods & Nutrition Health & Personal Safety	Aquatic Science Entomology Forestry Outdoor Education & Living Skills Range Science Shooting Sports Sportfishing Water Conservation & Education Wildlife & Fisheries	Citizenship Community Service Global Education & Awareness Leadership Public Speaking Theater & Performance Arts Workforce Preparation Youth Entrepreneurship	Energy Photography/Videography Robotics Rocketry Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (STEM)

SELF DIRECTED PROJECTS:

Individualized areas of interest where members can explore appropriate subject matter when no Texas approved 4-H curriculum or named project exists.



2023-2024 Guadalupe County 4-H Project Development Committees and 4-H Projects



Project development committees (PDCs) are one way of planning county-wide 4-H projects in Guadalupe County! These committees are made up of youth and adults from around the county. Their main goal is to plan out new and exciting project experiences for the 4-Hers that would like to participate in the project. The members of the committee are the leaders for that project in the county. There are no officers, but a member may be appointed to run committee meetings.

Committee members are also known as **Teen Leaders or Project Leaders**. 4-Hers younger than 13 will be known as **Junior Project Leaders**. This is a good method for giving 4-Hers **County-wide Leadership Experience** in their main 4-H projects; something that is not always easy to find!

- **4-H Plant Science (Range, Gardening, Etc) Project Committee**
- **Educational Presentation & Public Speaking Project Committee**
- **Agriculture & Livestock Project Committee**
- **Food Project Committee**
- **Fashion and Interior Design Project Committee**
- **Wool Judging Project Committee**
- **Consumer Decision Making Project Committee**
- **Natural Resources Project Committee (Shooting Sports, Wildlife, Outdoor Challenge)**
- **Leaders 4 Life Project Committee**
- **Photography & Videography Project Committee**
- **Vet Science Project Committee**
- **Horse Project Committee**

Guadalupe 4-H Interstate Exchange Program

Guadalupe County is proud to participate in the 4-H Interstate Exchange Program with other 4-Hers from around the United States. Every two years, a new group of Guadalupe Co. 4-Hers is chosen from around the county to participate in an exchange program with other 4-Hers. For 2024-2025, our county will be paired with a group from another state. We will be hosting summer of '24, so applications are due September 1. For more information, you can contact our Interstate Exchange group leaders, **Tammy Bargfrede, 830-560-0032** and **Mary Rohde, 830-914-3673**

Guidelines and Requirements for 4-H'ers to Host and Travel

1. May host the summer after your 7th - 11th grade years.
2. May travel the summer after your 8th - 12th grade years.
3. Priority will be given to 4-H'ers finishing their 9th, 10th, and 11th grade years.
4. Must have been in 4-H for two (2) years and currently enrolled in your third consecutive year.
5. Must have completed at least two (2) projects during each of the last 2 years.
6. Interstate Exchange Group members agree to a 2-year commitment to complete both hosting and traveling.
7. Must complete and submit the attached 4-H Exchange Participant application.
8. Must participate in organized 4-H promotional activity or a pre-approved community service project.
9. Must make a deposit (minimum of \$100), and exchange members are expected to participate in all group activities and fund-raisers in effort to raise minimums required for hosting and traveling. Any member who does not participate fully will be expected to pay all or a portion of their expenses.
10. Each 4-H'er and his/her family must be able to accommodate exchange in their home. Must host before traveling. Any family hosting expenses must be paid in full to the Guadalupe County 4-H Exchange Group before travel tickets are purchased.
11. Responsible for expenses not raised through group fund-raisers.

Number of applicants selected will be determined based on the group we exchange with in order to match our groups as closely as possible. Based on this matching, applicants may be interviewed as part of the selection process. Exchange interviews, if required, or the initial exchange group meeting.

County-Wide 4-H Projects

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This is a list of all the county-wide projects and activities we have in Guadalupe County!

Natural Resources Project (Outdoor Challenge) (PARTIALLY OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)

This project focuses on developing outdoor skills in various areas including camping, archery, wildlife ID, Shooting Sports and much more! **This project meets once a month at the Seguin Outdoor Learning Center on the 4th Sunday afternoon from 2-4pm!**

Horse Project

We are looking for more participants. This includes horse riding (western, possibly English too), speed events, horse judging, horse quiz bowl and care/maintenance of horses. They will meet the 1st Monday of each month. Check the newsletter for the location

Robotics & STEM

The Robotics Project has grown and we are looking to expand and prepare for contests and more! **We will meet the 1st Saturday of each month from 9-11am.** If you would like to help with the project, please let us know!

Grass ID & Range Evaluation

Matt Miranda will be working to make the kids ready for the district contests in April! This project activities shows kids how to identify both grasses and range plants, decided if they good or bad, and how to treat them if they are unwanted. It also incorporates the ID skills into the evaluation contest! Contact Matt Miranda for more information

Shooting Sports (Archery, Rifle, Pistol & Muzzle Loading)

If you would like to get involved in the Shooting Sports Project (Rifle, Pistol, and Archery) please contact the 4-H Shooting Sports Club. They are willing to coach the kids and teach them the proper way to handle and discharge a firearm! Guadalupe County will even be hosting a coaches training again this year. For more information about rules and requirements of coaches and information about coach training, please see the "Coach & Assistant Coach Training and Certification Information" document on the Shooting Sports website: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/shootingsports> . **They meet the 3rd Sunday of the month, 2pm at the Bexar Shooting Range**

Shotgun Project

The shotgun project is the 4-H Shotgun Sports club in Guadalupe County. Guadalupe County will even be hosting a coaches training again this year. For more information about rules and requirements of coaches and information about coach training, please see the "Coach & Assistant Coach Training and Certification Information" document on the Shooting Sports website: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/shootingsports> . **They meet the 1st Sunday of the month, 2pm at the Bexar Shooting Range**

Dog Project (OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)

Come learn how to show your dog in all areas of dog training. We have a goal of participating in the 4-H State Dog Show in July 2020. When: Every Tuesday thru July. Time: 6 – 8pm come and go training time. You do not have to be there the entire time.

Where: Coach Karen and Anneka Dahle. 9120 E. FM 1518 N. Schertz, Texas 78154(exit 591 from IH 10)
210-383-7811 texting anytime. Call after 5pm weekdays and anytime on the weekends.

Livestock Projects

We are planning several livestock clinics this fall for swine, sheep, goats, rabbits and cattle! This is a good opportunity to expand you existing knowledge or to build a project from the ground up. If you are interested in these livestock projects, join the Livestock Coalition or call Jeff or Travis at the county Extension Office at 830-303-3889.

Food and Nutrition (OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)

This project teaches kids to cook, eat healthy, proper nutrition and much more! The Food Show, Food Challenge (Like Iron Chef), and FCH Bowl are all coming up this fall! We have some great 4-Hers and volunteers that help with this project. If you would like more information, contact Matt at 830-303-3889

Photography (OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)

We would like to do at least a few photography workshops and tours this year! If you have ideas for a trip, contact Matt Miranda and we will set it up! Workshops ideas include focus, mounting of photos, subject matter and more.

Fashion and Interior Design (Clothing) (OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)

This project teaches kids to sew, think critically and creatively, consumer decision making skills, dressing for the occasion and much more! The Clothing Show and Textile Show are great ways for kids to show off their sewing and modeling skills, as well as to create things like leatherwork, accessories, and other cool items. The Storyboard lets the creative juices flow, where kids can design a garment or item from dog clothing, to shoes, to backpacks and much more! The Duds to Dazzle contest combines the two,...teams can take old beat up clothing or fabric and make it into something brand new! Contact Matt Miranda at 830-303-3889 for more information.

Meat Judging and ID

The meat science project teaches youth to identify various cuts of meats, and determine the relative quality of wholesale and retail cuts of meat. This was once a huge project in Guadalupe County and it is BACK! If you are interested in joining this new project area in the county, contact the county extension office at 830-303-3889

Livestock Judging Project

Livestock judging is now considered a 4-H project in the state of Texas! That's great for us, because we have one of the biggest LSJ programs in the state! Chuck Real is our coach and is one of the best! Kids learn how to pick the best animal, learn more about the animals they may show and much much more! Contact Jeff Hanselka at 830-303-3889.

Exploring with 4-H (Personal Development/Civic Education)

This project will take 4-Hers and their parents and plan trip to places of interest, historical landmarks and more around the state of Texas. These trips will range from day trips to multi day excursions! Not only will it help bring families together, but it will also show our 4-Hers about the state that has raised them and its heritage

Beekeeping Project

With 1/3 of the managed bee hives dying each year, and the public panic when they see bees, this course is designed to provide an understanding and appreciation of these valuable insects. The Project lead will be Mark de Kiewiet, a Texas State Master Beekeeper (Advanced Level). The participants do not need to have their own bee hives and colonies. We will make use of either Mark's or those of the Bees-in-the-East club bees. Each participant will be required to have the use of a Bee Suit, veil and gloves. These can be purchased and kept, or sold back to the project. Sponsorship for the suits is requested/desired. All other equipment needed for the project will be made available when necessary.

Leaders 4 Life

This is an in-depth contest attached to the leadership project that teaches kids how to use proper parliamentary procedure. You will be expected to make the time for practice, as this contests requires a lot of practice to understand it! If you are interested, contact Matt Miranda.

Vet Science

Vet science is BACK as a 4-H Project in Guadalupe County. You need to be about 11-12 years old to get involved because of the level of the subject matter. The meetings will be the 4th Wednesday of most months at the county extension office. If you have questions, check out the monthly newsletter or call the extension office.

These are the projects that are offered on the county level currently, a new project can be added at ANY time! If you would like to get involved with one of these projects or start a new one, contact Matt Miranda at 830-303-3889 or mjmiranda@ag.tamu.edu

Livestock Project Information

To enter in the Guadalupe County Youth Show and other major shows, you will need to remember several dates and events. The following information relates mostly to those of you with livestock projects, but some of it applies to any aspect of the Youth Show or other show related events. Please contact the Extension office if you have questions.

4-H Membership - To participate in the county Youth Show, you MUST enroll in a 4-H club by logging onto 4-H Connect <https://texas.4honline.com> and register. You must also participate in meetings and be an active member of the 4-H program!

Animal Tags - you'll need to order tags that will be used to validate your animal on or before these deadlines (*Dates are tentative until posted in the county Newsletter*)

Steers - April- 2024

Sheep & Goats - August 2023

Swine - September 2023

Poultry orders - broilers and turkeys for county and major shows are ordered from certified hatchery and orders must be made through the Extension office. Deadlines are:

Turkeys - May 2024

Broilers - September 2023

The arrival of the birds will be announced in the newsletter.

Validation for 2022-2023 4-H Year - bring your project to be tagged (and/or other procedures) as follows (*All Dates and locations are tentative until posted in the newsletter*):

Steers Late June 2024	Goats October 2023	Sheep October 2023	Swine November 2023
Heifers October 2023 Late June, 2024			Rabbits Mid Dec. 2023

Quality Counts Verification- Every 4-Her competing in a major Stock Show MUST complete the Quality Counts training online. This course is designed to teach 4-Hers and FFA members about quality assurance, good practices for raising livestock and how what we put in our livestock ends up in our food supply!.

You must have your verification number on your entry forms to be allowed to show. Verification is ***NOT*** required for the ***Guadalupe County Youth Show***, but it is suggested! To get verified, go to the website <https://texasyouthlivestock.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/QC-Instructions.pdf>

Then you will need to take the verification exam. There are three versions that correspond to the age levels of the 4-H program! **THIS PROGRAM WILL TAKE AT LEAST TWO HOURS TO COMPLETE, YOU MUST HAVE IT COMPLETED BY ENTRY NIGHT IN NOVEMBER, AS YOU WILL NOT HAVE THE TIME ON ENTRY NIGHT TO FINISH IT!!!!**

Click on the *verification* tab to take the test. Click the link that takes you to the test. When it asks for which organization (4-H/ FFA) you are a member of, ***be sure to click the 4-H & FFA button***. This will make your number good for both organizations. Contact Travis Franke CEA: Ag at the Extension Office for more information.

Entry - It is your responsibility to complete the necessary entry information, by November 16, 2022 for whatever shows you choose to exhibit your project (could be Youth Show, San Antonio, Star of Texas, etc.). Entry information could include the following: entry cards, summary sheets, and other required attachments. ***In addition to showing in the stock shows, you must also enter on entry night for Major Show Livestock, Horse Judging, Consumer Decision Making, Public Speaking, Shotgun, Science Fair, Robotics and other contests taking place at the majors.***

Resources— Be sure to look for further supportive information in this Yearbook, in the Youth Show rulebook, on the Extension web site <http://Guadalupe.agrilife.org> , in the Extension Library, in your monthly Extension newsletter and Facebook Page. There is also the Guadalupe County 4-H Livestock Handbook found online at <http://guadalupe.agrilife.org/files/2011/08/Livestock-Handbook.pdf>.

2022-2023 Guadalupe County 4-H & Major Show Entry Night

Entry night for the 2023 County Youth Show and major shows will be Wednesday, **November 9, 2022, 5-6:30pm at the Extension office.** All entries--including homemaking (with recipes)--are due on or before November 10th. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS!** Entries require signature of parents and 4-H members. A summary form will be included in the November newsletter which each 4-H'er will be required to complete and turn in with all entry cards on November 10th. Review and follow rules/guidelines of the shows you plan to enter. The 4-H Agent will make sure you are enrolled on 4-H Connect Before you turn in your paper work. **You must be enrolled on 4-H Connect BEFORE you can register for shows...you will NOT be allowed to register for any shows if you are not enrolled on 4-H Connect. Your Quality Counts Number will also be checked.**

This is our stock show entry deadline, so you can come and fill out your paperwork any time before then, but it must be completed by this day. This is the deadline for all major show contests as well, including:

- Livestock
- Livestock and Horse Judging
- Robotics
- Shotgun and Archery
- Quiz Bowls and Skillathons
- Consumer Decision Making & Ag Product ID
- SALE Photography
- Landscape Challenge
- Public Speaking & Science Poster
- Food Challenge
- And More!

Academic Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible to participate in 4-H shows or competitions, 4-H members must meet the same academic standards that are required to be eligible for UIL activities in their school. In other words, if a student is eligible to compete in extra-curricular activities at his or her school on a particular date, according to UIL guidelines, that student is also eligible to compete in a 4-H show on that date. If the student is not eligible at school, he or she is not eligible for 4-H competitions.

The Extension staff will distribute letters to each campus (public, private, and homeschool) for each event, letting the schools know who from their school is participating. The school principal or designee must indicate students' academic eligibility, sign and return the letter to the Extension office prior to the event. Semester grades are NOT used in the factoring of the grades at the school district. Your grades based on the six-week grading schedule for Seguin, SCUCISD, Marion; and nine-week grading schedule for Navarro. Even if you are passing for the semester, your grades leading up to the majors or ANY 4-H show/event MUST BE PASSING! I just want to remind y'all that while your 4-H projects are very important, your school is much more important and THAT needs to be your number one focus! You can raise the best animal in the world, write the perfect speech, sew the fanciest garment, but if you are not passing in school, it won't matter because you won't get to show.

Livestock Project Information

Guadalupe county is lucky to have a large amount of local buyers groups, in addition to businesses and more that “purchase” the kids’ animals at the county youth show! Most groups will help a kid out by adding money to their animal if the kid or parents help with one of their fundraisers! Below is a list of buyers groups in Guadalupe County and how to get a hold of them if you would like to help out!

Allan Dreibrodt Memorial Foundation

Allan Dreibrodt was an avid supporter of youth and the 4-H and FFA programs. He lost his 30-year battle with Lou Gehrig’s disease in September 2017. In honor of his memory, the Allan Dreibrodt memorial foundation will continue to support youth participating in FFA or 4-H. They will issue scholarships to graduates of qualifying area high schools and support the youth at the county youth show. The fundraising event will be held on the first Saturday in August. Dalena Krueger 830-832-1476 & email allandreibrodtmemorial@gmail.com

Ann and Bethany Bertling and Tristan Gonzalez (ABT) Foundation

Honoring the memory of three wonderful souls that were active members in Kingsbury 4-H. Goal is to purchase projects in Guadalupe County; also gives scholarships. The event will be held the last Saturday of April each year. Raffle events held. For donations or questions please contact Blake Bertling 830-560-6292 & Jennifer Bertling 830-305-1551. <https://www.facebook.com/kingsburyangels/>

Bar-Y (Backing Ag Raising Youth)

2nd Saturday in January – www.bar-y.org Youth have the ability to earn marks with a variety of tasks (for instance, buying a ticket, selling tickets, helping set up, working various shifts at the dance, selling tickets at a location, making auction donations, etc.) For the upcoming auction, there are many opportunities for marks which are the auction funds received at the following youth show sale! [https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=bar-y%20\(backing%20ag%20raising%20youth](https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=bar-y%20(backing%20ag%20raising%20youth)

Buck Fever

This event for the whole family held each fall. Hunting enthusiasts are given the opportunity to showcase their trophies during the annual horns contest. Other events include kid’s activities, educational presentations, and silent auction & raffle, including a multi-gun raffle. Buck fever casino night tbd is an adult event. Reserved tables are for 10 available. Individual tickets available. The evening is filled with dinner, drinks, casino fun, & live auctions. Funds raised at both events are used to support youth & outdoor education throughout Guadalupe County. Some youth volunteer opportunities are available during events. For more information, visit our website www.buckfever.org or like us on facebook at www.facebook.com/buckfeverevent

Guadalupe County Pecan Classic

The Pecan classic steer show is the second weekend in July in Guadalupe County. Steer show and silent auction. Monetary donations are needed for buckles and prizes. People to help work the ring/show and silent auction items. Pecan classic gun raffles are held during the year. You can volunteer by selling raffle tickets. Pecan classic benefit bash is held in Nov. (exact dates will be updated closer to the event). Live auction, dinner with entertainment. Need volunteers to clean up, sell tickets, and donate auction items. All proceeds go to award the exhibitors at the Guadalupe county youth show you can find pecan classic on Facebook, Instagram, and twitter. Any further information contact president - Tray Garza (210)861-2269 or vice president - Holly Garza (210)296-4093 <http://pecanclassicsteershow.com>

Sweet Savanna Hog Wild

Contact Diana Kindt (210)573-4874 or Matt Fortes (210) 316-9433. www.sweetsavannahogwild.org. Youth have the ability to earn marks (which translate into money at the auction) by supporting events. Ask about graduating seniors.... they can still help at the 2023 dance and receive a check in 2024! <https://www.facebook.com/sweet-savanna-kindt-hog-wild-122561747897067/>

Wade Busby Memorial

The Wade Busby Memorial was established in 2005 in memory of Wade Busby, an avid supporter of 4-H and FFA projects. They hold an annual casino night on the 3rd Saturday in October (October 21, 2023) in Seguin. The event includes a casino night, steak dinner, silent & live auction and a raffle. Sponsorships are available. The event is open to ages 21 and older. Donations are accepted for auctions and raffle. Exhibitors earn support through parental participation and donation. Additionally, some adult and youth volunteer opportunities are available. Net proceeds go to exhibitors at the Guadalupe County youth show and other area youth livestock shows. Contact Mark Cerda (830) 305-5179 or Laurie Leach (830) 305-1252 or wadebusbymemorial@gmail.com. <https://www.facebook.com/people/wade-busby-memorial/100064904013551/>

Ko-Op for Kids

Casino night September 23, 2023. Held at the La Vernia chamber of commerce. Dinner, reverse raffle, live auction, silent auction, gun card raffle, grand prize. Sell raffle tickets to receive auction support at your county sale. P. O. Box 913 La Vernia, TX 78121 koopforkids21@gmail.com

LV AGS

Supporting La Vernia area youth who are passionate about agriculture and Texas A&M university. December tbd maroon & white Christmas dinner and dance. Cornhole tournament, baked food show, silent auction, live auction, raffle drawing, turtle box speaker chip draw, pork steak dinner, live music, family friendly event. Yell practice show November tbd steer, heifer, lamb, goat show. Contact 979-255-7816
Email lvagsinfo@gmail.com or facebook page LV Ags

Fred Goerke Memorial

GRA-Trails celebrating the life and legacy of Fred Goerke. Fred was a huge advocate for the students and involved in 4-H and FFA in Guadalupe and surrounding counties. Dinner, dance and auction more details on the Facebook page at greater Randolph area trail riders (gra-trails) October event. Contact Cindy Gibbons 210-287-4365 or Dennis Fournier 830-832-3718. Donate auction items or help.

Burnin In New Berlin Cookoff

Annual Bar B Q Cook off held the last Saturday in January. Raise money to help youth show kids in Guadalupe county. Support by participating in the cook off or giving auction items. Josh Brown 210-296-5564 or Trent Cockran 830-560-0691.

Oink Inc.

Nonprofit organization that supports Texas youth in agriculture. Po box 946 Helotes TX 210-218-1406 oinkincnewgeneration@yahoo.com hooked on youth fishing tournament July. www.oinkincnewgerenary.com

“D” Cone Legacy Foundation

Sporting clay shoot march 25, 2023 auction—2024 date tbd. Proceeds raised will benefit youth participating in various county livestock shows that Derek Cone was involved in as well as scholarships to local 286 trade school for 1st year students. Sheila foster 512-738-0581 email dcconelegacy@gmail.com

Jack Anglin Memorial Foundation

Created in memory of Jack Anglin Jr. who passed away November 21, 2010. Fall festival November...food, dance, cornhole contest, mechanical bull contest, silent auction, live auction, etc. Swine prospect show October. Raffle ticket sales by exhibitors for support at the sale. Crawfish boil cookoff and cornhole tournament April. Lacey Strunk 210-954-3341, Colby Burns 979-743-5567, Kylie Burns 210-420-2899

Guadalupe County 4-H Awards Program Opportunities

4-H Achievement Awards

In order to be considered for one of these awards, a 4-H member must complete an application due June 10, 2024 and submit their 4-H recordbook (due by June 10, 2024). All of these awards are presented during the Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet, held in August. Each award may only be received once. The following chart provides an overview of each award, and complete guidelines are available at the Extension office. AWARDS INTERVIEWS WILL TAKE PLACE JUNE 17, 2024 AT THE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE. Must be pre-sent for interview unless at another 4-H/related event.

Awards	4-H Rook- ie of the Year	4-H Junior Gold Star	4-H Inter- mediate Gold Star	4-H Green Clover	4-H Gold/ Sliver Star	I Dare You Award	4-H Golden Clover
# Presented per year	1	2-3	2-3	Follows GS	Allotted By Dist.	Up to 3	1
Age as of Sept 1, 2023	3rd Grade	4th-5th grade	6-8th grade	9th Grade	10-12grade		
4-H years completed	1	1+	2+		3+		
4-H projects areas	1	2+	3+				
Participated in __ of the following during 4- H career: educational presentation, projects, camps, public rela- tions, contests, project exhibits, citizenship activities, other (exchange, fundrais- ing, etc.)	1+	2+	3+				
Demonstrate leader- ship skills	Yes						
Community service Involvement	Yes						
Submit recordbook	Yes						
Submit application	Yes						
Participate in inter- view	Yes						

Guadalupe County 4-H Awards Program Opportunities

Project Award Medals & Year Pins

Purpose - to recognize 4-H members for outstanding 4-H project work.

Qualifications - (1) complete 4-H record book, by Texas 4-H Record book guidelines, and submit to the County Extension Office for County Record book competition, and must meet program objectives of project area; (2) A 4-H member may receive the same Project Medal more than one time. If a 4-H member desires to earn a Project Medal in an area other than the area in which the Record book was submitted, the 4-H'er must contact the county extension Office before July 22! **IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR THESE PINS, THE RECORDBOOK MUST BE COMPLETED ON THE CURRENT FORMS AND COMPLETE. ALL OTHERS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. CLOVER KID BOOKS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR PINS.**

4-H Club of the Year

Purpose - To recognize the efforts of a 4-H club for their work during the year

Qualifications - The clubs will be scored on reports turned in, participation in county events, entries in 4-H contests and more

Award - County award is presented at the Annual Achievement Banquet.

Guadalupe Co. 4-H Rookie Award

Purpose - To recognize a 3rd grade 4-H member for outstanding efforts and achievements.

Qualifications - The 4-H member must be a 1st year, 3rd grade member and be nominated or apply.

Award - County award is a plaque presented at the Annual Achievement Banquet.

Christmas Tree Exhibit and Contest

Sponsor - First United Bank of Seguin

Purpose - To allow 4-H clubs to each decorate a Christmas tree with their homemade ornaments, tree skirts, and signage, identifying their club or group.

Qualifications - Trees are judged on authenticity, originality, theme decorations, and overall appearance.

4-H Ambassadors of the Year

Sponsor - County 4-H Agent

Purpose - To recognize the efforts of 4-H ambassadors for the most events and meetings attended during the year

Award - County award is presented at the Annual Achievement Banquet.

Youth Show 4-H Rookie Award

Sponsor - Allan Dreibrodt Memorial

Purpose - To recognize a 1st year 4-H member, who participates in the Youth Show, for outstanding efforts and achievements.

Qualifications - The 4-H member must be a 1st year member and be nominated or apply.

Award - County award is a plaque presented at the Youth Show Auction.

4-H Volunteer & Supporter Awards

Guadalupe County 4-H Council selects these awards. All of these awards are presented during the Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet, held in August. Each award may only be received once.

<i>Award</i>	<i>Outstanding Leaders</i>	<i>Alumni</i>	<i>Meritorious Service</i>	<i>Honorary</i>	<i>Memorial Recognition</i>
<i># Presented annually</i>	2	1-2	1-2	1-2	1-2
<i>Purpose</i>	Recognize outstanding adult leaders for the current year	Recognize an outstanding former 4-H member	Recognize outstanding and honorable service to the 4-H program	Recognize outstanding and honorable service to the 4-H program	To recognize the merits of a 4-H adult leader who passed away over the last year.
<i>Qualifications</i>	Nominations from 4-H clubs/groups	Person must be a former 4-H member who has shown outstanding leadership and support to the 4-H program	Member of the community for outstanding and honorable service in the county 4-H program	Member of the community for outstanding and honorable service in the county 4-H program	Must have been a registered 4-H leader on 4-H Connect. Presented to the Family of the leader

<i>Award</i>	<i>Outstanding Ambassador</i>	<i>4-H Club of the Year</i>
<i># Presented annually</i>	Depends	1
<i>Purpose</i>	Recognize outstanding Ambassadors of the Year	Recognize Most Active Club
<i>Qualifications</i>	Attend the most Ambassador Functions	Must turn in reports, participate in county wide events and more

4-H Volunteer Year Pins

Those leaders completing their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, etc. years of 4-H volunteer service will receive a year pin for the designated period of service. This information is compiled from current 4-H volunteer enrollment (enrollment forms or 4-H Connect).

Guadalupe County 4-H Achievement Award & Supporter Award Recipients

	2023	2022	2021	2020
<i>Gold Star</i>	Brooke Reininger Justin Braune Luke Anderson	Kase Kelso Brooklyn Wiley Carson Manning	Barrett Hanselka Brady Reasor Amanda Hoffmann	William Anderson Megan Clark Holly Alderson
<i>Silver Star</i>	Morgan Carnes Caleb Anderson Ava Clark	Luke Anderson Haylee Keyser Brooke Reininger	None	Barrett Hanselka Amanda Hoffmann Lauren Elley
<i>I Dare You</i>	Haylee Keyser Montana White Carlee Hoffmann	William Anderson Amanda Hoffmann Morgan Carnes	Holly Alderson	Shannon Anderson
<i>Golden Clover</i>	Kase Kelso	Brady Reasor	William Anderson	Janae Braune
<i>Green Clover</i>	Addison Wiley Autumn Hagan Jake Schultze	Montana White Justin Braune Caleb Anderson	Kase Kelso Morgan Carnes Luke Anderson Carlee Hoffmann	Grace Vogel Brady Reasor
<i>Intermediate Gold Star</i>	Brenley Bierstedt Tucker Wells Ali Thayne	Braylee Wise Addison Wiley Railee Childs	Teagan Maberry Caleb Anderson Jacob Braune	Brooklyn Wiley Haylee Keyser Jake Schultze
<i>Junior Gold Star</i>	Abbie Owen Lottie Owen	Brenley Bierstedt Landon Bertling Reese Thayne	Kennedy Wiley Tucker Wells	Teagan Maberry Railee Childs Ali Thayne
<i>Outstanding Leaders</i>	Jennifer Vogel Crystal Bertling	Brad and Lori Baker Jean Manning	Debra and Kenny Reasor	Not Chosen due to COVID. Will Choose Double in 2021
<i>Alumni</i>	Dwayne Reiley Kayla Childs	Nicole Forsberg Brian Engelhardt		Not Chosen due to COVID. Will Choose Double in 2021
<i>Meritorious Service</i>	Pecan Classic Steer Show Next Door Catering	Wilfred Bartoskewitz Dr. Charla Bading		Not Chosen due to COVID. Will Choose Double in 2021
<i>Honorary Member</i>	Jamie Hilbert Joe Lehmberg	Louis Upton Jennifer Vogel		Not Chosen due to COVID. Will Choose Double in 2021
<i>Guadalupe County 4-H Club of the Year</i>	Kingsbury 4-H Club	Guadalupe County 4-H Shooting Sports	None	Guadalupe County 4-H
<i>4-H Ambassadors of the year</i>	Teagan Maberry Railee Childs Montana White	None	None	Luke Anderson Shannon Anderson Morgan Ragland
<i>Rookie of the Year</i>	Bentley Wells— New Berlin 4-H Club	Alexis Schultze— New Berlin 4-H Club	Reese Thayne— New Berlin 4-H Club	Tucker Wells— Santa Clara 4-H Club

Extension Education Association (EEA) 4-H Committee

Extension Education Club members support the 4-H Program by serving as 4-H leaders, judges, attending 4-H Club meetings, attending Youth Shows, contests and by encouraging youth to participate in 4-H.

Guadalupe County 4-H Ambassadors

4-H Ambassadors promote and advertise 4-H to other youths, volunteers and community leaders. They help others understand how 4-H affects the lives of young people and how it addresses key youth issues in the community and state. While Ambassadors tell the 4-H story to key audiences, the program gains a positive public image, and the youths improve their leadership and presentation skills. Members include:

Ambassadors:	Ava Clark	Teagan Maberry
	Luke Anderson	Brooklyn Wiley
	Addison Wiley	Justin Braune
	Caleb Anderson	Justyne Covarrubias
	Carlee Hoffmann	Kayle Lott
	Railee Childs	Montana White
	Morgan Carnes	Haylee Keyser
	Braylee Wise	Autumn Hagan
	Jacob Braune	Tucker Wells
	Ali Thayne	

Advisor: **Matt Miranda, 830-303-3889**

Other State Ambassadors in our county include:

<i>John Walker Baker—Shooting Sports</i>	<i>Justin Braune—Water</i>
<i>Ava Clark—Livestock</i>	<i>Justyne Covarrubias—Livestock</i>
<i>Karlie Schneider—Livestock</i>	<i>Carlee Hoffmann—Livestock</i>
<i>Montana White—Fashion/Interior Design</i>	<i>Kayle Lott—Healthy Texas</i>
<i>Lila Gossett—Poultry</i>	<i>Brooke Reininger—Livestock</i>
<i>Brooklyn Wiley—Livestock</i>	<i>Remington Rohde—Shooting Sports</i>
<i>Rhett Rohde—Shooting Sports</i>	<i>Ava Harborth—Livestock</i>

If you would like ANY of these ambassadors to come speak at your organization or 4-H club meeting, please contact Matt Miranda at 830-303-3889 to organize a time!

Guadalupe County 4-H Council

PURPOSE

1. Provide for club cooperation and participation in planning and conducting 4-H activities
2. Provides path for communication between county and club level organizations for staff.
3. Conducts committee work jointly with adult leaders.
4. Uses goals set by the Leadership Advisory Board as a guide in planning activities.

2023-2024 Officers

Morgan Carnes	Chairman/ District Delegate
Haylee Keyser	1st Vice President/District Delegate
Luke Anderson	2nd Vice President
Teagan Maberry	District Delegate
Karlie Schneider	Treasurer
Justin Braune	Secretary
Caleb Anderson	Historian
Ava Harborth	Reporter
Carlee Hoffmann	Parliamentarian

GUADALUPE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL STANDING RULES

The County 4-H Council is an advisory committee and must assist in making plans and executing these plans on the county basis. The council is responsible to the clubs it represents and to the County Extension Agents. The County Extension Agents for 4-H serves as the advisor to the County 4-H Council. Membership is open to all people, regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, national origin, religion, handicap, or sex.

A copy of the standing rules is distributed to each member of the county council and to all others upon request

Meeting Dates for the 2023-2024 4-H Year
September 20, November 15, January 31, March 27 & May 15





Guadalupe County 4-H Booster Club

"An organization developed for parents, alumni, businesses, and friends of 4-H who have a desire to support the 4-H members in Guadalupe County"

Guadalupe County 4-H members compete in the following areas from the local to national levels.

*Scientific Engineering & Technology *Robotics
*Gardening and Horticulture *Photography *Horse
*Clothing & Fashion Design *Judging Contests
*Plant Science *Food and Nutrition *Leadership *Arts
*Public Speaking *Entomology *Livestock *Vet Science
*Small Animal *Outdoor/Wildlife *Shooting Sports

With 524 members and over 5000 students reached in schools, 4-H members throughout the county will benefit from the Booster Club's inaugural budget. This will assist in supplying much needed support for our 4-H members. We have proposed an inaugural budget of \$9,000 and we plan to use those funds in the 2016-2017 year to support the following key areas:

1. County Project Development Committees – These committees support the above mentioned project areas.
2. County Scholarships – Plans are to award a minimum of four scholarships.
3. County Coaches' Training – Funding for coaches to receive training to better assist our 4-Hers in competitions.
4. County Awards Banquet
5. Recognition for our county 4-Hers participating at State & National events
6. County Loaner Equipment - Repair & Replacement program
7. County End-of-Year 4-H Member Celebration Party

For your tax deductible donation to the 4-H Boosters, you will be recognized during the 2017 banquet and provided complimentary tickets to the County Awards Banquet. The top four partner levels will also be recognized at the county contests held for our 4-H members.

The top six levels of partnership will receive a framed certificate of recognition for display identifying them and their level of partnership.

Partner Levels

❖ Diamond Clover	\$2,000 and Above
❖ Platinum Clover	\$1,000 to \$1,999
❖ Gold Clover	\$500 to \$999
❖ Silver Clover	\$250 to \$499
❖ Bronze Clover	\$100 to \$249
❖ Green Clover	\$50 to \$99
❖ White Clover	\$25 to \$49
❖ Donations of all amounts appreciated!	

Thank you for your decision to support the Booster Club in its mission to provide financial assistance to the 4-H members of Guadalupe County.

For more information and specific incentive details for partnering with the Boosters at the Diamond/Platinum levels, please email GC4HBoosters@gmail.com.

Booster Partnership

Name _____
Email _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Please check your level of partnership for the 2016-2017 year

_____ Diamond Clover	\$2,000 and above	_____ Bronze Clover	\$100 to \$249
_____ Platinum Clover	\$1,000 to \$1,999	_____ Green Clover	\$50 to \$99
_____ Gold Clover	\$500 to \$999	_____ White Clover	\$25 to \$49
_____ Silver Clover	\$250 to \$499	_____ Custom Donation	\$ _____

Please make checks payable to the Guadalupe County 4-H Booster Club.
Checks should be mailed to Guadalupe County 4-H Boosters - 210 E Live Oak St., Seguin, TX 78155

Guadalupe County 4-H Clubs and Meeting Information

Guadalupe County 4-H Shooting Sports Club (Rifle, Pistol, Archery and Muzzle Loading)			
Club Manager(s):	Kory & Syndee Bundick	210-551-3486	shootkory@gmail.com
Assistant Club Manager(s)	Lori Baker	830-386-9445	bradbakerfamily@gmail.com
Meeting Location & Day:	3rd Sunday of Each Month, Bexar Shooting Range; 15391 Bexar Bowling Marion, Texas 78124		
Meeting Time:	2:00 p.m.		
Guadalupe County 4-H Shotgun Sports Club (Shotgun Only)			
Club Manager(s):	Robert & Heather Patterson	830-491-9326	randhpatterson@gmail.com
Assistant Club Managers	Kory and Syndee Bundick	210-551-3486	shootkory@gmail.com
Meeting Location & Day:	1 st Sunday of Month, Bexar Shooting Range; 15391 Bexar Bowling, Marion Texas, 78124		
Meeting Time:	2 p.m.		
Guadalupe Rider 4-H Club (Horse Club)			
Club Manager(s):			
Meeting Location & Day:	1 st Tuesday each month, 3826 Morningside Drive, New Braunfels, Texas 78132		
Meeting Time:	6:30 p.m.		
Clemens 4-H Club (Food and Nutrition, Livestock, Clothing, Golf, Etc)			
Club Manager(s):	Monique Jarzombek		moniquesadler@hotmail.com
Assistant Club Manager:	Isabel Martinez		isabelcmartinez@yahoo.com
Meeting Location & Day:	1 st Wednesday of Each Month, Bexar Social Hall; 15681 Bexar Bowling Road. Marion, Texas		
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.		
Kingsbury 4-H Club (Food and Nutrition, Leadership, Clover Kids, Livestock, etc)			
Club Manager(s):	Crystal Bertling	830-305-2644	ccbertling@gvvc.com
	Peggy Clingingsmith	830-660-6389	
Meeting Location & Day:	2 nd Thursday of Each Month, Kingsbury Baptist Church; 6901 FM 2438. Kingsbury, TX 78638		
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.		
McQueeney 4-H Club (Leadership, Food, Clothing, Etc)			
Club Manager(s):	Josh and Lisa Anderson	210-834-0178	wefuelchampions@gmail.com
Meeting Location & Day:	2 nd Tuesday of Each Month, McQueeney Baptist Church; 201 Schumann Road, McQueeney, TX		
Meeting Time:	6:30 p.m.		
Marion 4-H Club (Leadership, Food, Clothing, Livestock, Clover Kids, Etc.)			
Club Manager(s):	Abbie Maberry	210-241-8903	cwmobilin4@aol.com
Meeting Location & Day:	2 nd Wednesday Each Month, Marion Middle School Cafeteria		
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.		

Guadalupe County 4-H Clubs and Meeting Information

Navarro 4-H Club (Food, Gardening, Clothing, Leadership, Livestock, Clover Kids, Etc)			
Club Manager(s):	Jennifer Vogel	210-378-1467	Navarro4hclub@gmail.com
	Katie Clark	830-305-0699	Navarro4hclub@gmail.com
Meeting Location & Day:	2 nd Wednesday of Each Month, The Big Red Barn; 390 Cordova Road, Seguin, Texas 78155		
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.		
New Berlin 4-H Club (Livestock, clover kids, food, clothing, etc)			
Club Manager(s):	Krista & Kyle Schultze	979-574-5496	schneiderkk@yahoo.com
Meeting Location & Day:	1 st Monday of Each Month, New Berlin Community Center; On FM 775, New Berlin, Texas		
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.		
Santa Clara 4-H Club (Livestock, clothing, food, clover kids, etc)			
Club Manager(s):	Gail Damerau	830-914-3735	gdamerau@gmail.com
	Sondra Harborth	225-362-7142	sondra.harborth@gmail.com
Meeting Location & Day:	1st Tuesday of Each Month, Santa Clara City Hall; 1535 N. Santa Clara Rd. Marion, TX 78124		
Meeting Time:	7p.m.		
Discovery 4-H Club of Schertz (dogs, clothing, photography, etc)			
Club Manager(s):	Karen Dahle	210-383-7811	adchfalkor@yahoo.com
Meeting Location & Day:	1 st Monday of Each Month @ the Dahle Residence off of FM 1518, Contact for address		
Meeting Time:	6:30 p.m.		
St. James 4-H Club			
Club Manager(s):	Tommye Rihn–Engelke	830-515-6220	t.engelke@hotmail.com
Meeting Location & Day:	1 st Tuesday of Each Month, County Extension office, 210 East Live Oak. Seguin, Texas		
Meeting Time:	6:00 p.m.		
Outdoor Challenge 4-H Club			
Club Manager(s):	Randy Rohde	210-827-6263	randy@rlrohde.com
Meeting Location & Day:	4 th Sunday of Each Month, Seguin Outdoor Learning Center, Hwy 90 E.		
Meeting Time:	2:00-5:00 p.m.		
Robotics 4-H Club (Robotics, SET)			
Club Manager(s):			Guadalupe4hrobots@gmail.com
Meeting Location & Day:	1 st Saturday of the month, County Extension office, 210 East Live Oak.		
Meeting Time:	9-11 a.m.		



Attitude

By Charles Swindoll

“The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, the education, the money, than circumstances, than failure, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company... a church... a home.

The remarkable thing is we have a choice everyday regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude. ***I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% of how I react to it.*** And so it is with you... we are in charge of our Attitudes.