



# Guadalupe County 4-H Gazette



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## New County 4-H Fundraiser: Selling Sponsorship Signs

4-Hers will be selling sponsorships for the year! Each year, 4-Hers will be asked to try and sell at least one sponsorship! If they do, their 4-H fee will be paid for the 2024-2025 4-H year! Please read over the form! You can pick them up here at the extension office or I can email you the PDF. **The deadline to sell sponsorship signs is May 31, 2024.**

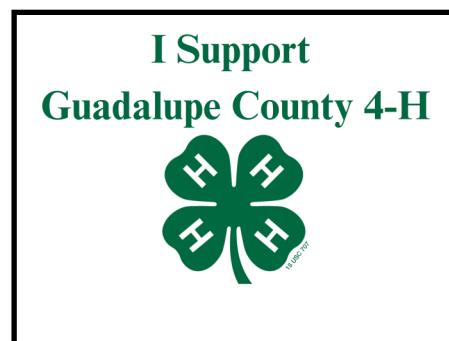
This is for any and all 4-Hers to sell! They can send the sponsorship form to anyone! The sponsors could be parents, grandparents, businesses, here in county or out of county. If they kids can ask, that's always nice, and we will give the signs to the kids to deliver to their sponsor, but **every kid that sells one will get their 4-H fee paid for next year.**

Depending on the sponsorship level, we will do for each sponsor:

- \$200 – Sponsor sign
  - \$300 – Sponsor Sign and Metal 4-H Cup
  - \$400 – Sponsor Sign, Metal 4-H Cup, Name on banner  
we will be making to hang at 4-H events all year. Announced at banquet
- All sponsors will also be recognized on social media

The monies will help to pay for a number of things including:

- County 4-H Awards Ceremony and Banquet
- District and State 4-H Contest Fees
- National & International 4-H Experiences, National 4-H Shooting Sports Contest
- Enrollment fees of youth that sell a sponsorship
- School Curriculum Enrichment programs
- And more, depending on the outcome of the sponsorship drive



Parents can sell them for kids as well...We just wanted to have an incentive for participating

Finally, all participants will be entered in a drawing for a prize at the end of the sponsorship drive, and the person who sells the most sponsorships will get something as well! We are looking at maybe a jacket or something like that! The forms are at the back of the newsletter!

## Upcoming Deadlines

- MAR 3—EXTENDED entry deadline for County photo Contest
- MAR 15—County 4-H Fashion Show, Duds To Dazzle and 4-H Fashion Storyboard entries DUE
- MAR 14—Texas 4-H Congress Press Corps and Lobbyist Apps DUE on 4-H Online
- MAR 15—Texas 4-H Congress Nominations DUE—<https://forms.gle/nUCDnHyk4nfh7Qod6> <—Apply Here
- MAR 24—Tentative date for 4-H Fashion show and Duds to Dazzle Contest @ Ext. Office
- MAR 27—County Council Meeting
- MAR 28—Deadline to Apply for State Council At Large Delegate
- APR 1—Healthy Texas 4-H Youth Ambassador Applications DUE
- APR 15—Livestock, Poultry & Equine Ambassador Applications DUE
- APR 15—Guadalupe County 4-H Scholarship Application DUE

# County Photography Contest: Deadline Extended to Mar 3

**COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST:** The rules for the 2023-2024 State Contest are posted [HERE](#). Some of the rules have been revised (noted in the PDF), please note that the COUNTY DEADLINE EXTENDED to SUNDAY, MARCH 3rd. **Only the 1st place senior photos from county will go to the state contest!** Please upload all of your county photo entries to <https://www.dropbox.com/request/tqQFHEyFOIvvBJlxQATx>

**Eligibility of Photos:** Each 4-H member may enter up to ten (10) photos. **No more than two photos in a single category.** These photos must be taken by the 4-H member between March 2023 and March 2024.

**Type of Photos:** Can be digital OR printed. All digital photos will be uploaded to <https://www.dropbox.com/request/tqQFHEyFOIvvBJlxQATx> All photos must be labeled the same as the district photos.

## FOR DIGITAL PHOTOS

**Type of Photos:** Can be from digital camera or cellphone. Must be saved as a .jpg or .jpeg file and be less than 5 MB per photo. Aspect ratio should be standard photo size (3x5, 7x9, 8x10, etc) and should NOT be edited on a digital device. There is a category for that.

## FOR PRINTED PHOTOS

**Size of Photographs:** Each photograph must be 8 inches by 10 inches in dimension

**Mounting of Photographs:** All prints must be securely and permanently mounted solid on black or white PHOTOGRAPHIC MOUNT BOARD (mat board material) or a THIN FOAM BOARD no larger than 8 inches by 10 inches suitable for hanging without an additional frame. Masonite, photo folders, corrugated cardboard or thin poster board is not acceptable. Double faced tape, glue or rubber cement is not allowed for mounting purposes. (Use dry mounting if possible.) Matting (of any kind) is not allowed and will result in disqualification. Some resources for mounting supplies include: Hobby Lobby, Michaels

It is February so its time to get started with our spring projects! Below are links to gauge interest in the following projects/contests! If you are interested in any of the following projects for the spring, please click the link to it and put your information down! If you have already done this, you don't need to again! I will do an informational for each of these in the coming weeks!

# 2024-2025 Texas 4-H Council - At Large Delegate Application

**Information:** The 2024-2025 Texas 4-H Council – At Large Delegate Applications are now available online at <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ambassadors/>. **Deadline to apply is March 28, 2024.**

**What is Texas 4-H Council?** Members of this team are elected by their peers from across the state of Texas! The Texas 4-H Council members serve as ambassadors for the Texas 4-H program. Members represent the organization statewide while collaborating with Extension faculty to plan, coordinate, and facilitate activities and events.

## COMMITMENT DATES (Council Officers MUST ATTEND):

July 22-25, 2024 – **Texas 4-H Council Workshop** – Location Kingsville/Corpus Christi area

October TBD, 2024 (Dates set by State Fair of Texas) - **State Fair of Texas Honor Awards -- Fall Planning Meeting** - Dallas, TX

November 8-10, 2024 - **Spark** – Brownwood, TX *TENTATIVE Must have enough committed to attend.*

January 3-5, 2025 – **January Planning Meeting** - College Station or Brownwood (TBD)

June 1-5, 2025 – **Texas 4-H Roundup** – College Station, TX

Monthly Online Conference Calls (dates to be distributed during Workshop)

# Texas 4-H Congress County Delegate Applications Due Soon

Texas 4-H Congress (July 14-17, 2024) is a four-day mock legislative experience for 4-H members going into 9th grade – through those who just graduated 12th Grade (at the time of the event). During this time, 4-H members assume the roles of legislators, lobbyists, and press corps to gain a first-hand understanding of how the legislative process works.

**How to Register:**

Registration for this event is very LIMITED. Due to the constraints of the venue itself, each District is allotted only 20 House/Senate Delegate positions across our District. Urban Counties (Bexar & Travis) are designated 2 slots each, 4-H Military members are designated 2 slots, and Prairie View/CEP is allotted 4 slots. Due to these limitations, registration for this event is not open for first come, first on 4HOnline, instead each County will submit a **Nomination List (attached Word Doc)** of the members they'd like to send to this event.

All NOMINATIONS ARE DUE TO THE COUNTY OFFICE BY MARCH 15. The Nominations will be judged to put the order of nominations on the list. All nominations will be included on the list, however the top one on the list will get first choice, etc.

## **CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION <————CLICK HERE**

Once all nomination lists are compiled, the District 10 Office will select our 20 delegates. Additionally, there will be a district alternate list in the event other Districts do not fill their slots. Accepted delegates will be notified by April 1, 2024 to begin registration on 4HOnline.

**Press Corps & Lobbyist:** Additionally, there are special roles for members to fill during 4-H Congress (See description of all roles on pg. 4-5 of the Letter). Applications for the 2024 Texas 4-H Congress Press Corps and Lobbyist roles are due on 4HOnline on **March 14, 2024**. I would encourage youth who are applying for one of these roles to also place their names on their County's Nomination List, so that if they are not selected, they are still considered to attend in a different role.

**Submitting a Bill:** As a reminder, ***all*** youth who are planning on attending are required to submit a bill. A guide to assist in writing and developing a bill as well as the link to the submission form can be found at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/congress/> under Bill Submissions. There are also three past Bill Books posted so that you can see past Bills submitted. If you have any questions, please let me know. I know for new agents, this event can be a bit overwhelming – so please let me know how I can help you through this process. We are looking forward to a great Congress this year.

### **Texas 4-H Congress Participant Roles**

- **House or Senate Members:**

- ◊ These roles are primarily for 4-H members that have never participated in Texas 4-H Congress. Members serving in the House or Senate should be prepared and able to speak about issues affecting Texas and Texas youth. Issues the 4-H member will be speaking about may or may not be related to the subject matter of the bill they submitted. House and Senate members will be participating in a variety of professional settings such as committee meetings, chamber sessions, and may be lobbied or questioned on different issues by the Lobbyist group and/or the Press Corps. Assignments are made by the State 4-H Office.
- ◊ House and Senate members allotted to participate: 260

- **Lobbyists:**

- ◊ The responsibility of the Lobbyist group is to identify certain bills and then lobby members of the House and Senate to either pass or defeat the bill. Lobbyist members should be prepared and be comfortable approaching others who may have a different opinion on legislative topics. The Lobbyist group will hold a private reception for certain House and Senate Members, along with Congress Leadership.
- ◊ Applications to be considered for a Lobbyist position will be submitted online through 4HOnline. The online application opens February 15 and closes March 17. Applicants will be notified whether they have been accepted to serve in the Lobbyist role. If not selected and space is available, they could apply to be part of the district delegation.
- ◊ Lobbyist allotted to participate: 14

- **Press Corps:**

- ◊ Texas 4-H Congress Press Corps members can be either first time or returning 4-H members. Individuals applying for the Press Corps should have strong skills in writing, word processing, interviewing, photography, and focused on making deadlines. The Press Corps group is responsible for publishing daily articles, videotaping, and helping maintain a Texas 4-H social media presence. Press Corps members may not be able to attend certain activities because of publication deadlines.
- ◊ Applications to be considered for a Press Corp position will be submitted online through 4HOnline. Applications are open February 1 – March 17. Applicants will be notified of their selection to serve in the Press Corps. If not selected and space is available, they could apply to be part of the district delegation.
- ◊ Press Corps members allotted to participate up to 15.

## 4-H Fashion Show, Duds to Dazzle, & Storyboard county contests

### Tentative Contest: March 24 at the Guadalupe County AgriLife office:

Please Note: The county contest may be moved to a weeknight if the number of entries is low

**DUE DATE FOR ENTRIES:** March 15, 2024 For:

- **Virtual Storyboards (Digital Files must be emailed to Dru at [dru.benavides@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:dru.benavides@ag.tamu.edu)**
- **Fashion Show paperwork**
- **List of Duds to Dazzle team name, members names and coaches**

**Tentative Schedule:**

3pm	Fashion Show Contestants Check-in
3:30pm	Fashion show Judging
3:45pm	Duds to Dazzle contest Check In
4:30pm	Duds to Dazzle Contest
TBA	Awards Program

### 4-H Duds to Dazzle – Team information due March 15th

- [2024 State 4-H Duds to Dazzle Guide](#)
- [2024 District 10 4-H Duds to Dazzle Guide](#) (Info for Juniors and Intermediates)

**NEW! Teams must use at least 2 items from the closet.**

Each team must supply their own equipment for the competition. Teams may bring only the supplies listed in the Sewing Supply kit list. Sewing Supply kits will be checked by contest officials as team's check-in for the contest. Extra equipment will be confiscated, and the team may be disqualified if caught using equipment not on their supply list. **KITS ARE AVAILABLE TO CHECK OUT FROM THE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE!!! PLEASE CONTACT MATT OR DRU TO GET ONE!** NEW ITEMS Kit for 2024 – Calculator – REMOVED: E-6000 Glue Adhesive

- [2024 Junior D2D Sewing Kit list](#)
- [2024 Intermediate D2D Sewing Kit list](#)
- [2024 Senior D2D Sewing Kit list](#)
- [2024 Possible Duds to Dazzle questions](#)
- [Duds to Dazzle Score Card](#)

NEW! Duds to Dazzle Score Sheet has been revised. Team preparation 45% and team presentation 55%. There is more emphasis on quality and overall appearance of the final product.

#### Duds to Dazzle Resources

- [Unraveling the Mystery of Design Elements and Principles in Clothing](#)
- [Laundry on Your Own](#)
- [Hand Stitching](#)
- [Pricing Tips and Tricks](#)
- [Safety Guide](#)
- [Simple Seaming Techniques](#)
- [How Does Fast Fashion Affect the Environment?](#)
- [Duds to Dazzle Explore Guide](#)
- [Duds to Dazzle YouTube Instructional Video](#)

### 4-H Fashion show – Senior ONLY – **paperwork due March 15th**

Each contestant will introduce themselves and model their garment for the judges. Participants will then provide a 5-minute presentation to the judges. During the presentation, participants need to describe their project activities, outfit selection, construction or buying skills and their knowledge of fiber and fabrics. **MAKE SURE YOU COVER EVERYTHING ON THE SCORE CARD!!!**

**[District 10 4-H Fashion Show and Natural Fibers Contest Guide <— CLICK HERE](#)**

#### 2024 Senior Fashion Show information for

- [CONSTRUCTION & BUYING](#)
- [NATURAL FIBERS](#)
- [2024 Senior Fashion Show Construction form](#)
  - ◊ [Senior Fashion Show possible construction questions](#)
  - ◊ [Senior Construction Score Sheet](#)
- [2024 Senior Fashion Show Buying form](#)
  - ◊ [Senior Fashion Show Possible Buying Questions](#)
  - ◊ [Senior Buying Score Sheet](#)

#### 4-H Fashion Show Natural Fibers Contest – Seniors only – **Paperwork due March 15th**

- [2024 Senior Fashion Show Natural Fiber Contest Form \(Made of Cotton, Wool/mohair/alpaca\)](#)
  - ◊ [Senior Fashion Show Natural Fibers Possible Questions](#)
  - ◊ [Senior Natural Fibers Score Sheet](#)

### **4-H Fashion show – Junior & Int. information – **paperwork due March 15th****

**NEW THIS YEAR:** Intermediate age division will now be **required to conduct an Introduction/Presentation**. Each contestant will introduce themselves and model their garment for the judges. Participants will then provide a 5-minute (maximum) presentation to the judges. During the presentation, participants need to describe: project activities, outfit selection, construction/buying skills & their knowledge of fiber & fabrics.

- [2024 Junior and Intermediates Buying and Construction Fashion Show information](#)
- [2024 Junior and Intermediates Construction form](#)
  - ◊ [Junior Construction Score Sheet](#)
  - ◊ [Intermediate Construction Score Sheet](#)
- [2024 Junior and Intermediates Buying form](#)
  - ◊ [Junior Buying Score Sheet](#)
  - ◊ [Intermediate Buying Score Sheet](#)
- [2024 Fashion Show Questions for Juniors and Intermediates](#)

### **4-H Fashion Storyboard – **Board due March 15th****

#### **Design Brief (Theme) for 2024: Dream**

“Dream” serves as the ultimate source of inspiration for this fashion concept. The concept revolves around the multifaceted nature of dreams, whether they are the surreal visions that captivate a sleeping mind or the vivid aspirations that fuel the conscious soul. The fashion narrative will blur the lines between reality and reverie, creating a visual story that celebrates the ethereal and the tangible. This concept invites designers to translate the essence of dreams into fashion, evoking a sense of wonder, mystery, and endless possibility.

Categories: A 4-H member may compete in only ONE category for Storyboard. Categories include:

- **Wearable:** Clothing that can be worn. Includes items such as pants, shorts, skirts, etc.
- **Accessory:** Includes items such as belts, purses, bags, hats, etc.
- **Jewelry:** Includes necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, etc.
- **Pet Clothing:** Includes items that can be worn by a pet or any other animal.
- **Home Décor:** items that are easy to move and make a home visually appealing, examples of home décor items include: throw pillows, table runner, or wall hanging.
- **Home Furnishings:** items that make a home comfortable for living or working in. Examples include: couch, ottoman, chair, tables, desks, beds and the like.

Storyboards can be created using a digital platform including but not limited to Canva, Picmonkey, InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, and PowerPoint. All entries saved as a PDF, jpeg, jpg or png. Recommended size is 18” X 24”.

- [2024 Storyboard rules and guidelines](#)
- [2024 Storyboard Label](#)
- [2024 Storyboard scorecard](#)
- [Resources for Completing your Storyboard](#)



## Texas 4-H Livestock, Poultry & Equine Ambassadors, DUE April 15

Texas 4-H Offers each year multiple state ambassador programs to help youths take their projects to the next level. They learn indepth information on these areas, as well as how to become an advocate for 4-H and agriculture in general. The ag-related ambassador programs are:

- Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador—<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/livestock-ambassador-program/>
- Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador—<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/equine-ambassador-program/>
- Texas 4-H Poultry Ambassador—<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/poultry-ambassador-program/>

### **Selection Criteria:**

- Senior level (grades 9-12) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding livestock/ equine/poultry
- Students with a profound interest in animal/equine/poultry science, animal production and advocacy
- Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others & Top 25% class rank

### **Application Process:**

- Applications will be released on the Texas Youth Livestock and Agriculture website ([www.texasyouthlivestock.com](http://www.texasyouthlivestock.com)) on February 15,
- Student will complete the application and enter the contact information of supervising CEA (Matt Miranda)
- CEA will be automatically emailed a recommendation survey
- A selection committee will review the applications and accept up to 25 participants per short course
- Applications are due April 15, 2024

## Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors (Food Ambassadors)

**Applications OPEN February 1** at <https://healthytexas.tamu.edu/resources/youth-ambassadors/>

**Application deadline is April 1.** Once applications are received, completed applications will be forwarded to County Extension Agents for final approval into the program.

All returning ambassadors must also reapply and will be eligible to continue in the program pending approval and completion of their required annual hours. Ambassadors must attend the annual training summit. There will be NO virtual or “last chance” summit offered in 2024.

### HTYA Timeline

- January - March, 2024 – Market and recruit for the Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Program
- February 1 - April 1, 2024 – Online application available
- April 1, 2024 – Deadline for completion of online applications
- April 1-15, 2024 – County Extension Agents review applications & determine selection criteria
- April 15, 2024 – Agents submit roster of selected ambassadors to Julie Gardner
- May 1, 2024 – State Coordinator will notify youth of acceptance
- May 15, 2024 – Deadline for registration for Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Summit (Estimated cost \$100)
- June 2-3, 2024 – State-wide Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Summit in College Station.

Please see the schedule below, as well as the attached handbook, overview, and marketing flyer for more information. For more information, please contact Dr. Julie Gardner, [julie.gardner@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:julie.gardner@ag.tamu.edu) or Kelli McPherson, [kelli.mcpherson@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:kelli.mcpherson@ag.tamu.edu) **Summit Training**

HTYA Handbook—<https://healthytexas.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/2024-HTYA-Handbook.pdf>

Link to Application—[https://agrilife.azl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_3Uk9LjYPZTIPdau](https://agrilife.azl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3Uk9LjYPZTIPdau)

# 2023-2024 District 10 4-H Calendar (Subject to Change)

## District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX

**REGISTRATION OPENS:** Friday, March 1, 2024, **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Tues., Mar. 19, 2024

### Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES

April 9, 2024

Leaders 4 Life (Seguin)

April 10, 2024

Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX)

April 15—Livestock Judging (Fredericksburg)

April 16—Plant ID, Range Evaluation, Consumer Decision making, Wool and Mohair Judging (Fredericksburg)

April 17—4-H Talent Showcase (Share the Fun) & Soil Judging (Fredericksburg)

April 18—4-H Fashion Show, Duds to Dazzle (Fredericksburg)

April 20—Smallbore Rifle in Wilson County

## District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX, EVENT DATE: June 13, 2024

**REGISTRATION OPENS:** Wednesday, May 1, 2024, **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Tues. May 14, 2024

## District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX: TENTATIVE EVENT DATE: June 26-28, 2024

**REGISTRATION OPENS:** Wednesday, May 1, 2024, **EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** May 28, 2024

## District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg, EVENT DATE: July 11, 2024

**REGISTRATION OPENS:** Saturday, June 1, 2024, **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Tues., June 25, 2024

# Guadalupe County 4-H Scholarship Application DUE Apr 15

The applications for all Guadalupe County 4-H Scholarships are DUE April 15, 2024 by submitting on the following link: <https://forms.gle/Njgxb3fDUTFSCVYq9>

This applications is for the 4-H Booster Club Scholarships, the Miranda Memorial Scholarship, the Guadalupe County 4-H Scholarship, the Bartoskewitz Farm Foundation Scholarship, and the new Genevieve Moore Memorial Scholarship!

# Texas 4-H Center Upcoming Events

**Register here:** <https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/>

**Information:** The Texas 4-H Center will host a series of camps & events for 4-H members of all ages during the upcoming months. Please see camp/event information below:

- **2024 Summer Camp Schedule:** [County Camp, Prime Time & Horizons Schedule](#)
- **Refashion Retreat (FLYER):** It's time to let your creative juices flow at 4-H Refashion Retreat! The event will be held March 1-3, 2024, at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood. Youth registration is \$170 and must have an adult chaperone accompanying them. Chaperone registration is free. Space is limited to 24 youth.
- **Lone Star Splash Camp (FLYER):** The Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors are hosting the Lone Star 4-H Splash Camp on April 26-28. This event is open to 6th-8th grade students. *Registration opens February 5 on the Texas 4-H Conference Center website and will CLOSE April 5<sup>th</sup>.* Youth will be involved in project-based learning and lots of fun water activities! Registration is \$210 per student.
- **Aperture Academy (FLYER):** Aperture Academy is a beginner's photography camp for youth entering grades 6-8 and is scheduled for July 7-10. All cameras, equipment, and supplies for the camp will be provided. No prior knowledge or experience of photography is required. Registration is open & space is limited to 25.

# Texas 4-H Horse Validation, March 1-May 1, 2024

**Information:** 4-H exhibitors wishing to participate in the 2024 District & State Horse show must validate any horses that will be used in competition. ALL horses must be validated/re-validated each year. There is no limit to the number of horses that can be validated. You are encouraged to validate all horses that may possibly be shown at district and/or state shows. Only state validated horses can be substituted in the event that a validated horse becomes unusable due to lameness, sickness, etc.

## VALIDATION ENTRY PERIODS & FEES

Families can submit payment by **credit card ONLY**.

**From March 1 – April 15, the validation cost for each horse is \$10.00.** The \$10.00 cost is only guaranteed if the animal validation is approved by the county office by the April 15<sup>th</sup> deadline and the payment is processed.

**From April 16 – May 1, the validation cost for each horse is \$20.00.** The \$20.00 cost is only guaranteed if the animal validation is approved by the county office by the May 1<sup>st</sup> deadline and the payment is processed.

**From May 2-5, the validation cost for each horse is \$250.00.**

## HOW TO VALIDATE YOUR HORSE:

Horse Validation will take place on 4HOnline. The family will receive an automated message from 4-H Online when the County Extension Agent has approved the horse at the county level. **This approval does NOT guarantee eligibility.** After it is approved at the county level, the validation will then be reviewed at the state level. The family will be notified by June 1<sup>st</sup> if there are any issues with the validation at the state level. We will begin to review validations at the state level on March 1<sup>st</sup> and will be working closely with families and agents to fix errors as quickly as possible prior to the validation deadline.

- [2024 Horse Validation Guidelines \(Families\)](#)
- [Validation Walk-Through Guide for Families](#)
- [Validation Walk-Through YouTube Video](#)
- [Additional Resources/One-Pagers](#)

## VALIDATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Each validation must include front view, right side view, and left side view images. **The entire horse should be included in the photo and markings should be clearly visible. If the horse is registered, a copy of the registration papers must be uploaded.** These papers must list the 4-Her, sibling, parent, stepparent, grandparent or legal guardian as the current owner. If the ownership is in the process of being transferred, please list “pending” in the registration number area. Once the updated registration papers have been received, please deliver a new copy to your County Office. Image uploads in 4-H Online must be in the form of a .jpg, .gif or .png file.

**Families should validate each horse only one time.** Once the horse is validated, any sibling within that family in 4-H Online is eligible to show the horse at their district show and/or the State 4-H Horse Show.

**Youth validating a futurity horse must be at least 12 years of age (as of Sept. 1, 2023) and at least in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.**

## LEASE HORSES:

Lease horses are eligible to be validated and shown at District and State 4-H Horse Shows. An official Texas 4-H Horse Lease Agreement must be signed by the exhibitor, horse owner, and the supervising County Extension Agent. The lease period must include, at minimum, May 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> of the current 4-H year. The lease agreement form can be found on <https://texasyouthlivestock.com/horse-validation/> and must be uploaded in 4-H Online at the time of validation.

# Steer/Heifer Tags and State Fair Tags, Deadline April 4

Steer and heifer tags will be **\$25 dollars again this year and are DUE on April 4, 2024.** Contact Kim at the extension office to order your tags any time until April 4.

If you are planning on showing a pig, sheep or goat at the State Fair of Texas in October, you need to purchase tags for validation. **Tags are \$20.00 each and the deadline is April 4** as well. State Fair and Steer/Heifer validation will take place in June. Remember, you **MUST** purchase a tag for validation by April 4!





# GUADALUPE COUNTY 4-H SPONSORSHIP LIST

## White

**\$ 200.00**

Gets a metal 4-H Window Sign

I Support  
Guadalupe County 4-H



## Green

**\$ 300.00**

Gets a metal 4-H Window Sign

Gets a 4-H  
Branded Metal  
Cup

## Gold

**\$ 400.00**

Gets a metal 4-H Window Sign

Gets a 4-H  
Branded Metal Cup

Included on County  
4-H Sponsor  
Banner, Signage at  
4-H Events, Etc

## Renewal

**\$150.00**

Gets a metallic  
sticker for each  
year of support to  
add to metal sign

All sponsors will get thanked on our Social Media as well

All 4-Hers who sell at least one sponsor will get their fee for joining 4-H paid for the 2024-2025 4-H year! All will be entered into a drawing for a prize!

**Deadline to sell all sponsorships will be May 31, 2024!**

Contact Matt Miranda, County 4-H Agent, with any questions

830-303-3889

mjmiranda@ag.tamu.edu

210 East Live Oak St.  
Seguin, Texas 78155



Dear Friend of 4-H,

We are looking for your help and support! Guadalupe County 4-H is starting a new 4-H Sponsorship Program to raise money for our county 4-H program. Guadalupe County has about 550 4-Hers in local 4-H Clubs, as well as nearly 5,000 youth reached each year in our county school districts. Our 4-Hers are incredibly active, with over 250 attending district 4-H contests, and 150 attending state level contests, not counting major Texas stock shows. Additionally, we have had youth attend national contests and events for the last 13 consecutive years. This is why we need your help!

In order to better help our youth attend these contests, expand our programming into schools, increase enrollment in 4-H clubs and more, we will be starting our first ever County Sponsorship Program. Sponsorship levels are listed on the reverse side of this flyer. The money raised from these sponsorships will go to fund multiple projects and programs including:

- *County 4-H Awards Ceremony and Banquet*
- *District and State 4-H Contest Fees*
- *National & International 4-H Experiences, National 4-H Shooting Sports Contest*
- *Enrollment fees of youth that sell a sponsorship*
- *School Curriculum Enrichment programs*
- *And more, depending on the outcome of the sponsorship drive*

From your donation, at minimum, you will receive a 24x18 metal sign that says "I SUPPORT GUADALUPE COUNTY 4-H" that you can hang at your home, business, etc. We thank you in advance for your vital support and for your consideration in contributing to this sponsorship program. Your support truly makes a difference in the lives of our Guadalupe County 4-H members!!

As Determined by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the **Guadalupe County 4-H Council (74-2913068)** is exempt from Federal Income Tax under the provisions which correspond to section 501(c) 3 of the IRS Code under the banner of Texas 4-H Inc., the umbrella organization for 4-H Clubs in Texas. Donors may deduct contributions to Texas 4-H Inc. such as bequests, legacies, devices, transfers, or gifts as applicable under the IRS code.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of support for this endeavor. Together, we can help 4-H "Make the Best better!"

**Name of Sponsoring Person,  
Business or Organization** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address of Sponsoring Person,  
Business or Organization** \_\_\_\_\_

**Level of Sponsorship (Circle One)**

**White**  
**\$ 200.00**

**Green**  
**\$ 300.00**

**Gold**  
**\$ 400.00**

**Renewal**  
**\$ 150.00**

**Name of 4-Her who asked you for  
sponsorship** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Checks Payable to Guadalupe County 4-H Council OR you can pay by PayPal @  
<https://paypal.me/guadalupecounty4h>**

☐ **Check If Pay by Check/Cash**

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**Deadline for All Sponsorships for the 2024-2025 4-H Year is May 31, 2024**

# TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION

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### What is the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service?

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service provides innovative solutions at the intersection of agriculture, natural resources, youth and health, thereby improving the well-being of individuals, families, businesses and communities through education and service. From the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Website

### What is 4-H?

4-H is a youth organization that provides kids with the life skills they need to become a responsible, productive, community minded citizen. This is done through 4-H Project Work, a collection of educational experiences that give the child a chance to learn, grow, think and do.

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**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 County and my world.**



The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other classification protected by federal, state, or local law and will strive to achieve full and equal employment