

TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION

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Eastland County

4-H Focus



March 2022



The members of Texas A&M AgriLife provide equal opportunities in programs, education and employment, without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status.



Meeting Dates



Highway 6 4-H Club

Thursday, March 3rd

@ 6:00PM

Leon River Cowboy Church

491 CR 447 Eastland, TX

Club Leader: ShaMarie Tamminga

Phone: 325-642-5336

Email: shamarietamminga@gmail.com

Rising Star 4-H Club

Tuesday, March 8th

@ 4:30PM

First Baptist Church

306 N Main Rising Star, TX

Club Leader: Caryl Lawrence

Phone: 325-642-8616

Email: hccattlecompany@gmail.com

Cisco 4-H Club

Thursday, March 17th

@ 6:30PM

Myrtle Wilks Community Center

1498 I-20 Frontage Rd Cisco, Tx

Club Leader: Sarah Sellers

Phone: 817-602-2251

4-H County Council

Wednesday, March 16th

@ 5:30PM

County Extension Office

102 N Lamar Ste 307 Eastland, TX

Club Leader: Amy O'Brien-Glenn

Phone: 254-629-2222

Email: amy.obrien-glenn@ag.tamu.edu

Adult Leaders

Wednesday, March 16th @ 5:30PM

County Extension Office

102 N Lamar Ste 307 Eastland, TX

Club President: Pam Chaney

Phone: 254-631-8440



Practice Dates



Archery

Monday, March 21st

@ 5:30PM

Eastland Archery Range

CR 536 Eastland, TX

Project Leader: TJ Cummings

Phone: 254-629-2222

Email: tj.cummings@ag.tamu.edu

Rifle

Monday, March 28th

@ 5:30pm

Eastland Rifle & Pistol Club Range

599 CR 536 Eastland, TX

Project Leaders:

TJ Cummings & Judge Jon Glenn

Phone: 254-629-2222

Email: tj.cummings@ag.tamu.edu

Plant ID

Monday, March 7th

@ 5:30PM

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102 N Lamar Ste 307 Eastland, TX

Project Leaders:

TJ Cummings & ShaMarie Tamminga

Phone: 254-629-2222

Email: tj.cummings@ag.tamu.edu

Photography

There will not be a
photography practice
this month.

Project Leader: Carolina Boelter

Phone: 254-629-2222

Fashion Projects

Every Wednesday

@ 4:00PM

County Extension Office

102 N Lamar Ste 307 Eastland, TX

Project Leader: Amy O'Brien-Glenn

Phone: 254-629-2222

Email: amyobrien-glenn@ag.tamu.edu

Stitching Saturdays

3rd Saturday of each month

JT Ranch Quilt Shop

106 Conrad Hilton Blvd Cisco, TX

\$20—supplies included

\$25—supplies and lunch included

Phone: 254-433-9050



EASTLAND COUNTY 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST



Entries due Friday, March 4th

All entries must be the work of the exhibitor and taken after January 1, 2021.

Photographs must be printed (8x10 size only), mounted and submitted in a clear plastic sleeve.

Please see the rules for more information on mounting and photo submission.

1st, 2nd and 3rd will be awarded in each category.

Best of Show will be awarded in each age division.

All 1st place entries will advance to District 8 4-H Photography Contest.

Categories:

Animals—Domestic

Animals—Wildlife

Catch-All

Details & Macro

Elements of Design

Enhanced

Food

Landscape & Nature

Leading Line

Long Exposure

Motion/Action

People

Plant/Flora

Shadow/Silhouette

Theme— *“My Hometown”*

Exhibitors may enter as many categories as they wish, but only one entry per category is permitted.

Rules and entry forms can be found on our website:

<https://eastland.agrilife.org/eastland-county-4-h/4-h-contests/eastland-county-4-h-photography-contest/>



DISTRICT 8 4-H FASHION SHOW, STORYBOARD & DUDS TO DAZZLE CONTESTS

April 25, 2022 @ Cleburne Conference Center

Entries due to office: Friday, March 25th

Fashion Show

Individual Contest. Buy or sew an outfit. Model the outfit and interview with judges!

Natural Fibers

Individual contest. Seniors only. Buy or sew an outfit made of cotton or wool/mohair/alpaca. Model and interview!

Fashion Storyboard

Individual contest. Show your creativity by designing an outfit, accessory or pet clothing. Create a board & share!

Duds to Dazzle

Team contest. High-energy competition, showing off your design and crafting skills!

For rules and more information, please visit:

<https://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/fashion-show-fashion-storyboard/>



DISTRICT 8 4-H CONSUMER DECISION MAKING



April 25, 2022 @ Cleburne Conference Center

Entries due to office: Friday, March 25th

For more information, please visit:

<https://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/consumer-decision-making/>

DISTRICT 8 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING

April 23, 2022 @ Brazos County Expo Center

Entries due to office: Friday, March 25th

For more information, please visit:

<https://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/judging-contests/livestock-judging/>

DISTRICT 8 4-H MEAT JUDGING

April 23, 2022 @ Rosenthal Meat Science & Technology Center

Entries due to office: Friday, March 25th

For more information, please visit:

[https://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/judging-contests/
meat-judging-identification/](https://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/judging-contests/meat-judging-identification/)





TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN VIRTUAL FISHING SKILL-A-THON

***Open to all Texas 4-H members and Clover Kids!
New Freshwater and Saltwater Divisions!***

Spring Fishing Dates: March 1, 2022—May 31, 2022

Summer Registration: April 1, 2022—April 30, 2022

Summer Fishing Dates: June 1, 2022—August 31, 2022

Ways to Win:

Longest single fish or stringer (*tournament, species, division & overall*)

Grand Slam—post 3 different fish species within species division

Wild Card—Random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

4-H members will upload photos of their fish to FishDonkey for judging.

Clover Kids will not earn a place on the FishDonkey Official Leaderboard, but can compete for bragging rights and a certificate!

For more information, please visit:

<https://d54-h.tamu.edu/2022-texas-4-h-virtual-reel-em-in-fishing-skill-a-thon>

To enter or obtain a copy of the Rules & Guidelines, please contact the Eastland County Extension Office at 254-629-2222.



DISTRICT 8 4-H ROUNDUP



Entries due to office: April 4, 2022

Public Speaking:

- Individual only
- Time Limit: 5-7 minutes
- Visual aids and props are not permitted
- Should address emerging or current issues

Educational Presentation:

- Individual, or team of two
- Time Limit: 12 minutes (9 minutes for set up/take down)
- Visual aids and props are permitted (charts, photographs, computer presentations, etc.)
- Should address emerging or current issues

Share-the-Fun:

- Individual, or team of two to nine
- Time Limit: 6 minutes (4 minutes for set up/take down)
- 4-H member must provide all props and equipment

4-H members may enter a maximum of one contest from each of the columns below.

Column One	Column Two
Share-the-Fun Choreographed Routines	Agricultural Technology & Farm Safety Educational Presentation
Share-the-Fun Variety Show	Animal Science Educational Presentation
Share-the-Fun Vocal	Beef Educational Presentation
Share-the-Fun Musical/Instrumental	Health & Wellness Educational Presentation
	Horse Educational Presentation
	Open Ag & Natural Resources Educational Presentation
	Open Family & Community Health Educational Presentation
	Open Educational Presentation
	Promote 4-H Educational Presentation
	Public Speaking
	Safety & Injury Prevention Educational Presentation
	Share-the-Fun Celebrate 4-H
	Share-the-Fun Poetry/Prose
	Share-the-Fun Solo/Band



HUNTER EDUCATION

SAFETY COURSE



**This course has been rescheduled for
Saturday, March 5th @ 1:00 PM
@ Eastland County Extension Office
\$15.00 per attendee**

Before attending, please visit the Texas Parks & Wildlife website and take the free TPWD Online Course or NRA Hunter Education Course. Print out your completed TPWD Chapter Quizzes (10) or NRA Field Course Voucher, and bring it with you!

<https://tpwd.texas.gov/education/hunter-education/enhanced-course>

You will not receive your certification without completing the online course and bringing a copy of your TPWD Quizzes or NRA Field Course Voucher with you!

VALIDATION TAG ORDERS

**Validation Tag Orders for Sheep & Goats for the State Fair of Texas
are due to the Extension Office by Friday, March 25th.**

Tags are \$15 per head.

Validation tags will not be ordered until payment is received

*State Fair of Texas requires validation for all registered breeding
sheep, registered breeding goats, wether/commercial dams
and wether/commercial does.*





PLANT ID CONTEST



Tuesday, March 22nd

Cisco College

101 College Heights Cisco, TX

Check In: 6:15—8:30AM

Contest Begins: 9:00AM

Awards Presentation: 2:00PM

Entries are due to the Extension Office by Monday, March 7th.

Please contact the Eastland County Extension Office
at 254-629-2222 for more information.

UPCOMING STOCK SHOWS

- Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo—February 28th-March 20th
- Austin Livestock Show & Rodeo—March 12th-26th





Be An "Agvocate"



In today's society, many people are unaware of what actually happens on a farm or ranch, and many individuals are unaware of where food actually comes from. It is important for all of us to be "agvocates" for the industry that feeds the world. Here are a few ways that you can help educate others and spread a positive message.

1. Education- Most people don't spend their extra time reading facts about agriculture, so we need to provide them with knowledge. Take a few minutes in the produce section of the grocery store to explain how and where the fresh veggies come from.
2. Be Positive- Most of the news we hear on the TV and radio concerning agriculture is negative.... from animal cruelty to greenhouse gas emissions. It's easy for people to jump on the negative bandwagon. However, it is up to us to show agriculture is a positive way. Tell about how farmers and ranchers are good stewards of the land and how they provide food for those in need.
3. Shop Local- When you buy your meat and produce from chain stores, you truly don't know where it is from or what preservatives are injected in the food. If possible, buy your meat, fruits, and vegetables locally. Homegrown is healthier and tastier!

By following these simple steps, you can help make a difference not only to your local community, but to the agriculture industry as well.

Thank you,

Pebbles Whitaker

Eastland County Council Parliamentarian