

TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION

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Eastland County

4-H Focus



October 2021



TJ Cummings

Amy O'Brien-Glenn

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

Tuesday, October 5th

@ 6:30PM

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

Monday, October 18th

@ 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, October 21st

@ 6:30PM

Myrtle Wilks Community Center

1498 I-20 Cisco, Tx

Club Leader: Sarah Sellers

Phone: 817-602-2251

4-H County Council

Wednesday, November 17th

@ 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, November 17th @ 5:30PM

County Extension Office

102 N Lamar Ste 307 Eastland, TX

Club President: Pam Chaney

Phone: 254-631-8440



Meeting Dates



Archery

Please contact the Archery Club Leader, Brad Robinson, for the next meeting date and time.

Club Leader: Brad Robinson
Phone: 254-631-9527

Rifle

Monday, Oct. 18 @ 5:30pm
Eastland PD Gun Range
535 E. Lens Eastland, TX

Project Leaders:
TJ Cummings & Judge Jon Glenn
Phone: 254-629-2222
Email: tj.cummings@ag.tamu.edu

Plant ID

Tuesday, Oct. 19 @ 5:30pm
County Extension Office
102 N Lamar Suite 307 Eastland, TX

Project Leaders:
TJ Cummings & ShaMarie Tamminga
Phone: 254-629-2222
Email: tj.cummings@ag.tamu.edu

Ag Product ID

Tuesday, Oct. 19 @ 6:30pm
County Extension Office
102 N Lamar Suite 307 Eastland, TX

Project Leader: TJ Cummings
Phone: 254-629-2222
Email: tj.cummings@ag.tamu.edu

Food Challenge

Thursday, October 7 @ 4:30PM
Thursday, October 21 @ 4:30PM
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

Photography

Wednesday, October 13th @ 5:30PM
Saturday, October 30th @ 10:00AM
County Extension Office
102 N Lamar Ste 307 Eastland, TX
Project Leader: Carolina Boelter
Phone: 254-629-2222



4-H ENROLLMENT



V2.4HONLINE.COM

All 4-H members will need to re-enroll for the 2021-2022 year. 2021-2022 enrollment on 4-H Online will open on August 15th.

The enrollment fee is \$25 until October 1st, and increases to \$30 on November 1st.

****All 4-H members who plan on participating in the Eastland County Stock Show must be enrolled in 4-H by October 31st****

For more information, please call the Extension Office at 254-629-2222.

QUALITY COUNTS

All 4-H members who plan to participate in any major stock shows will need a Quality Counts number.

All members who will be showing for the first time or members moving into a new age division will need to complete the Quality Counts curriculum and test at the following link: <https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx>

****Entries for major stock shows cannot be submitted without a Quality Counts number****



For more information, please call the
Extension Office at 254-629-2222.





OLD RIP 5K WATER STATION



Saturday, October 2nd

@ 7:45 AM

B&W Health Clinic

400 W Plummer St Eastland, TX

Join us for a quick community service opportunity before heading over to the 2021 Old Rip Fest and Parade!

We will be setting up a water station for the 5K participants, handing out water and picking up the trash afterwards.

EASTLAND COUNTY ONE DAY 4-H PROJECT

Saturday, October 9th

@ 9:00 AM

Eastland County Extension Office

This year, we will be putting together care packages for the State Troopers and Texas Rangers from Eastland County that have been deployed to the border.

Bring a donation to the Eastland County Extension Office or join us October 9th to assemble the care packages!

Items for donation: Gatorade, water flavoring packets, sunflower seeds, nuts, granola bars, beef jerky, crackers, mints, gum, hard candy, Kleenex travel packs, travel-size hand sanitizer, toothbrush



DISTRICT 8 4-H

AG PRODUCT ID CONTEST



Friday, November 5th

@3:00 PM

Syline Baptist Church

906 Trimmier Road

Killeen, TX 76541

Entries due: Tuesday, October 19th

We will have forms available at the practice that evening

Teams of 3-4

(Individual entries will be allowed if we do not have enough to make a team)

Age Divisions: Junior, Intermediate, Senior

(Juniors may move up to the Intermediate Division)



For more information, please contact the
Eastland County Extension Office at 254-629-2222.





**EASTLAND COUNTY 4-H
FOOD SHOW &
FOOD CHALLENGE CONTEST**



Friday, October 29th

Beginning at 9am

(A full schedule will be sent out by Tuesday, October 26th)

@ Myrtle Wilks Community Center

1498 I-20 Frontage Rd Cisco, TX

Entries due: Friday, October 22nd

Entry forms can be picked up at the Extension Office or any Food Challenge practice or can be found on our website.

All 1st Place Food Show winners will advance to District 8 4-H Food Show Contest.

All 1st and 2nd Place Food Challenge teams will advance to District 8 4-H Food Challenge Contest.



VALIDATION DATES



Sheep/Goat

Tuesday, October 19th 4pm-6pm
ECLRA Show Grounds

Heifer

Saturday, October 23rd 8am-10am
Texas Cattle Exchange Sale Barn

Swine

Tuesday, November 16th 2pm-6pm
ECLRA Show Grounds

Rabbit

Tuesday, December 14th 4pm-6pm
ECLRA Show Grounds

If you need help getting your animals to validation, please contact the Eastland County Extension Office at 254-629-2222 in advance.





STOCK SHOW ENTRY DAY



Tuesday, November 2nd

8AM—7PM

In the Extension Office

All stock show entries and payments are due
to the office on this date

Entries will also be accepted for the Eastland County Stock Show

We can only accept cash or check.

Checks should be made payable to “Eastland County Ag Fund”.

All payments will include a \$5 processing fee per stock show.

**If you cannot make it to the office on this day,
please call prior to make arrangements.**

For more information, please call the Extension Office at 254-629-2222.





DISTRICT 8 HOLIDAY CLASSIC



Saturday, November 6th—Sunday, November 7th

Bell County Expo Center

301 W. Loop 121 Belton, TX

Barns open at 6:00AM on November 6th

****All livestock must be in the barn by 11:00AM****

Open to all 4-H and FFA members in grades 3-12.

No entry fee. Includes a free Saturday evening meal.

Bring your cattle, lambs, goats and swine to learn more about how to care for and show your livestock projects!

Youth exhibitors and families will receive hands-on training to learn the basic principles of livestock management and showmanship, followed by a Prospect Show on Sunday!

****Youth must attend the Saturday clinics to participate in the Showmanship Contest and Prospect Shows****





UPCOMING DATES



- Deadline to enroll in 4-H to be eligible for County Stock Show—October 31st
- 4-H Enrollment fee increases to \$30—November 1st
- District 8 4-H Leaders for Life Contest entries due—November 12th
- Eastland County Stock Show entries due—December 1st
- District 8 4-H Food Show and Food Challenge in Belton—December 8th
- District 8 4-H Leaders for Life Contest (held virtually)—December 9th

UPCOMING STOCK SHOWS

- State Fair of Texas—September 24th-October 17th
- Heart O' Texas Livestock Show & Rodeo—October 7th-17th
- SandHills Stock Show & Rodeo—January 5th-15th
- Eastland County Stock Show—January 12th-15th
- Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo—January 14th-February 5th
- San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo—February 3rd-20th
- San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo—February 10th-27th
- Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo—February 28th-March 20th
- Austin Livestock Show & Rodeo—March 12th-26th





Dear Fellow 4-H Members:

I often hear my friends at school talk about how much time I spend devoted to my extracurricular activities... one of those being 4-H. And yes, it can be time consuming. However, when you analyze the opportunities and benefits that 4-H involvement has to offer, it's easy to see that IT'S WORTH IT!!

Here are your top 10 reasons why 4-H is beneficial:

- 10. 4-H Provides New Experiences**- There are numerous projects that allow members to explore new things!
- 9. 4-H Is Great Family Time**- 4-H is not just for kids. Parents and siblings are encouraged to get involved, too!
- 8. 4-H Provides Career Exploration**- Ever thought about being a veterinarian or even a chef? 4-H can give you an inside scoop on career choices!
- 7. 4-H- Learn By Doing**- Hands on experience is always the best teacher!
- 6. 4-H Is a Safe Place to Fail**- I know.... That sounds weird, but if you try something, and it doesn't go as planned... IT'S OK! Learning happens with failure too!
- 5. 4-H Teaches Skills**- Cooking, building projects, problem solving, public speaking, and critical thinking are just a few of the lifelong skills that 4-H provides.
- 4. 4-H Teaches Independence**: Involvement in 4-H teaches money management skills, leadership, and time management skills through officer opportunities and projects.
- 3. 4-H Gives Back to the Community**- 4-H teaches us to look beyond ourselves in order to help others in and around our communities through service projects.
- 2. 4-H Created Lasting Friendships**- Some of the strongest friendship bonds are created through teamwork, projects, and meeting collaboration.
- 1. 4-H Prepares you for Life**- Working with others, setting goals, and striving to achieve them creates lasting habits for the rest of your life.

So, yes, 4-H involvement with clubs, teams, contests, and projects can be time consuming, but I can't stress how beneficial the results really are. So, encourage others to get involved, and enjoy the perks of being a 4-H member!

Sincerely,

Ryleigh Whitaker

Eastland County Council President

District 8 Vice-Chairman

