



Eastland County

4-H Newsletter



August 2025





CLUB MEETINGS & PROJECT PRACTICES



***All club meetings and project
practices will resume in September!
Have a great summer everyone!***

EASTLAND COUNTY 4-H AWARDS BANQUET

Sunday, August 3rd

2:00 PM

Carbon Community Baptist Church

515 Anthracite St Carbon, TX

***Join us to celebrate all of the hard work and
accomplishments our 4-H members have achieved this year!***



4-H ENROLLMENT

V2.4HONLINE.COM



ALL 4-H Members & Adult Volunteers will need to re-enroll for the 2025-2026 year.

2025-2026 enrollment will open on September 1st.

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****

****All 4-H members who plan on participating in Archery, Pistol, Rifle and/or Food Challenge, must be enrolled before attending their first practice****

QUALITY COUNTS

All 4-H members, 3rd grade and above, 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://agrilifelearn.tamu.edu/s/product/quality-counts/01t4x000008HBZdAAO>

****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.





TEXAS 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST



Karsyn Dodrill

Animals—Domestic
Animals—Wildlife
Motion/Action
People
Enhanced

Red Ribbon
Blue Ribbon
Blue Ribbon
White Ribbon
Blue Ribbon

Urie Kochoa

Catch-All
Details & Macro
Dominant Color
Elements of Design
Landscape & Nature
Leading Line
Plant/Flora
Reflections
Shadow/Silhouette

Red Ribbon
White Ribbon
Red Ribbon
Blue Ribbon
Red Ribbon
Red Ribbon
White Ribbon
Red Ribbon
White Ribbon

Congratulations Karsyn and Urie!

TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP

Saylor Monty

Fashion Show

2nd Place, Buying—Semi-Formal to Formal

Karsyn Dodrill

Food Show

10th Place, Healthy Desserts



Congratulations Saylor and Karsyn!





EASTLAND COUNTY 4-H RECORD BOOK JUDGING CONTEST



Junior Division

Citizenship, Civic Education & Community Service	1st Place	Spencer Monty
Fashion & Interior Design	1st Place	Stella Monty
	2nd Place	Cadence Gibson
Natural Resources	1st Place	Braylon Jones
Poultry	1st Place	Kaylinn McDowell
STEM	1st Place	Mason Thurman
Visual & Performance Arts	1st Place	Ainah Kochoa
	2nd Place	Addyson Felchner

Intermediate Division

Citizenship, Civic Education & Community Service	1st Place	Aislinn McDowell
Food & Nutrition	1st Place	Kassidy Dabelstein
Goats	1st Place	Zane Sellers
Natural Resources	1st Place	Sawyer Monty
Public Speaking	1st Place	Pebbles Whitaker
Visual & Performance Arts	1st Place	Izza Kochoa

Senior Division

Food & Nutrition	1st Place	Karsyn Dodrill
Photography	1st Place	Urie Kochoa
Shooting Sports	1st Place	Colton Dodrill
Visual & Performance Arts	1st Place	Saylor Monty



Congratulations to these hardworking 4-H members!





DISTRICT 8 4-H RECORD BOOK JUDGING CONTEST



Junior Division

Citizenship, Civic Education & Community Service	3rd Place	Spencer Monty
Fashion & Interior Design	5th Place	Stella Monty
Natural Resources	2nd Place	Braylon Jones
Poultry	2nd Place	Kaylinn McDowell
STEM	3rd Place	Mason Thurman
Visual & Performance Arts	4th Place	Ainah Kochoa

Intermediate Division

Citizenship, Civic Education & Community Service	3rd Place	Aislinn McDowell
Food & Nutrition	6th Place	Kassidy Dabelstein
Goats	1st Place	Zane Sellers
Natural Resources	2nd Place	Sawyer Monty
Public Speaking	3rd Place	Pebbles Whitaker
Visual & Performance Arts	4th Place	Izza Kochoa

Senior Division

Food & Nutrition	5th Place	Karsyn Dodrill
Photography	8th Place	Urie Kochoa
Shooting Sports	7th Place	Colton Dodrill
Visual & Performance Arts	1st Place	Saylor Monty

Congratulations to these hardworking 4-H members!

***Congratulations to Saylor Monty! She will be advancing
to the Texas 4-H Record Book Judging Contest!***





FALL STOCK SHOW ENTRIES



West Texas Fair & Rodeo

Entries and fees are due by 5pm on Monday, August 11th.

Entry forms and show rules can be found on their website:

<https://www.westtexasfairrodeo.com/p/getconnected/exhibitors>

Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo

Entries and fees are due by 5pm on Monday, August 18th.

Entry forms and show rules can be found on their website:

<https://www.hotfair.com/p/livestock-show--contests>

State Fair

Entries must be made online through the parent portal by 11:59pm on Friday, August 22nd. Entry worksheets, entry confirmations, and entry fees are due by 12pm on Monday, August 25th.

Entry forms, show rules, and the parent portal can be found on their website:

<https://bigtex.com/get-involved/livestock-shows/livestockexhibitors/>

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





COUNTY SHOW TURKEYS



Turkey orders and payment for the Eastland County Livestock Show are due by 5pm on Friday, August 8th.

Cost: TBD (will be announced via email and Facebook)

Turkeys will not be ordered if payment has not been received by the deadline.

COUNTY SHOW BROILERS

Broiler orders and payment for the Eastland County Livestock Show are due by 5pm on Tuesday, September 30th.

Cost: TBD (will be announced via email and Facebook)

Orders consist of 25 chicks and can be split by multiple 4-H members/families.

Broilers will not be ordered if payment has not been received by the deadline.

COUNTY SHOW RABBITS

Rabbit orders and payment for the Eastland County Livestock Show are due by 5pm on Friday, August 29th.

Market rabbits: Pen of 4 rabbits. \$240 per pen.

Breeding rabbits: Californians, buck or doe. \$100 per rabbit.

Rabbits will not be ordered if payment has not been received by the deadline.



VALIDATION TAGS



Validation tags must be ordered for any member wishing to participate in the following major shows: Fort Worth, San Angelo, San Antonio, Houston, Austin

Sheep & Goat Validation Tags

Due by 5pm on Wednesday, August 13th.

All breeding and market animals will need a validation tag

County only animals do not need to purchase a tag

Tags are \$25 each.

Heifer Validation Tags

Due by 5pm on Monday, August 25th.

ALL COUNTY AND MAJOR HEIFERS WILL NEED A TAG

Tags are \$25 each.

Pig Validation Tags

Due by 5pm on Wednesday, August 13th.

All breeding and market pigs will need a validation tag

County only animals do not need to purchase a tag

Tags are \$25 each.

Tags will not be ordered until payment is received.

We can accept cash, check, or money order only.

If you are paying in cash, you must bring the exact amount. We cannot make change.

If you are paying by check or money order, make it payable to "Eastland County Ag Fund".





MAJOR SHOW TURKEYS



Turkey orders and payment for the Houston, San Antonio and Austin Livestock Shows are due by 5pm on Friday, August 8th.

Turkeys are \$4.75 per bird.

A minimum of 5 and a maximum of 75 poults may be ordered per family.

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

MAJOR SHOW BROILERS

Broiler orders and payment for the Houston, San Antonio and Austin Livestock Shows are due by 5pm on Friday, September 19th.

Broilers are \$1.50 per bird.

Chicks must be ordered in increments of 25, with a minimum of 25 and a maximum of 75 birds per family.

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





UPCOMING DATES



- Eastland County 4-H Awards Banquet—August 3rd
- Major show turkey orders and payment due to office—August 8th
- West Texas Livestock Show entries and payment due to office—August 11th
- Heart O' Texas Livestock Show entries and payment due to office—August 18th
- State Fair of Texas Livestock Show Parent Portal closes—August 22nd
- State Fair of TX Livestock Show entries and payment due to office—August 25th
- Re-enrollment for the 2024-2025 4-H year—September 1st
- Adult Leaders and County 4-H Council meetings—September 17th
- Major show broiler orders and payment due to office—September 19th
- Deadline to enroll in 4-H to participate in County Livestock Show—October 31st
- District 8 4-H Holiday Classic—November 1st and 2nd
- District 8 4-H Ag Product ID Contest—November 6th
- District 8 4-H Livestock Skill-a-thon—November 6th
- District 8 4-H Food Show and Food Challenge—December 4th
- Eastland County Livestock Show and Creative Arts Contest—January 7th-10th





Enclosed you will find a 4-H Declaration of Eligibility Form. Please complete the form, *only on the highlighted lines*, and return it to the Eastland County Extension Office by September 15th. This form is required for all members that will be participating in any contests or stock shows.

To make sure you receive all 4-H news, information and updates, please confirm your mailing address and email address are up to date on 4-H Online, and please follow our Facebook page: Eastland County 4-H

All communications will be sent via 4-H Newsletter, emails and Facebook posts.

Newsletters can also be found on our website at:
<https://eastland.agrilife.org/eastland-county-4-h/4-h-newsletters/>