

# **Uvalde County 4-H**

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## Uvalde County 4-H Awards Night!

May 30, 2024 6:30—8 pm

Uvalde County Fairplex Event Center

# **RSVP NOW**

See Page 6 for more information on how to RSVP



## **UVALDE COUNTY**

May 2 May 4 May 5 May 5 May 7 May 9 May 10	Uvalde County 4-H Robotics Workshop Utopia 4-H Community Service Uvalde County 4-H Archery Practice Uvalde County 4-H Riflery Practice UCJLS Board Meeting Uvalde County 4-H Robotics Workshop STEM Workshop
May 13 May 17 May 17 May 19 May 19 May 27 May 29-30 May 30	Robotics Show Case Competition Record Books DUE! High School GRADUATION! - UHS, Knippa, Sabinal Uvalde County 4-H Archery Practice Uvalde County 4-H Riflery Practice OFFICE CLOSED
June 1 June 2	Utopia High School Graduation Uvalde County 4-H Riflery Practice

To view more upcoming events in April click <a href="here">here</a> or go to our website calendar at <a href="https://uvalde.agrilife.org/">https://uvalde.agrilife.org/</a>

### **DISTRICT 10**

MAY 1	2024 Horse Validation (\$20) Fee FINAL EADLINE
MAY 1	2024 Texas 4-H State Roundup Registration OPENS
MAY 1	<b>Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Application DEADLINE</b>
<b>MAY 11</b>	Kerr 4-H Invitational Judging Contests
<b>MAY 13</b>	2024 Texas 4-H State Roundup Registration CLOSES
<b>MAY 14</b>	District 10 4-H Horse Show Registration DEADLINE
MAY 28	District 10 4-H Leadership Lah Registration CLOSES

Take pride in how far you've come. Have faith in how far you can go. But don't forget to enjoy the journey.



-Michael Josephson

## Don't forget to visit our website!

You'll find event/meeting times and locations, forms, and even photos showcasing our wonderful 4-H Club members.

https://uvalde.agrilife.org/

#### Be in the Know!

Our Facebook page provides up-to-theminute news and goings on

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# SCHOOR SPOTUCUT CLOSS OF 2024

## **Ryan Santos**

## What clubs/projects in 4-H were you involved in?

I have shown steers all my years at the county show. One year I decided to show a novice lamb.

### What are your plans for your future?

I plan on going into the Marines as a Reservist and come back to the area to study Computer Engineering at UTSA. After taking my engineering prerequisites I will transfer to Texas A&M to get a degree in Agricultural Engineering.

#### What did you enjoy the most about 4-H?

The part I liked the most about 4-H is the social experience it provides. I have been able to know about great people and become friends with them.

#### What did you learn from 4-H?

4-H has taught me that whatever you put into your project is what you will get out of it. I encourage 4-H competitors to put in tons of their time and effort so they can be proud of their project results at the end of the year.

### What is your favorite 4-H memory?

My favorite memories while being in 4-H is being able to spend time with my family and being able to make moments that we will be able to cherish.

## What advice would you give to someone just joining 4-H?

My best advice to give to someone that is just starting 4-H is to get involved in community events that your chapter is hosting. Colleges really love seeing your community hours and how you are involved.

# **Elizabeth Phillips**

#### What clubs/projects in 4-H were you involved in?

Pen of 3 Commercial Heifers, Baked Food Show, Horse, Food and Nutrition, Archery, Dog Obedience.

### What are your plans for your future?

I plan to attend the University of Arkansas, majoring in business. I want to travel abroad and hope to have a challenging job in the business field once I graduate college.

## What did you enjoy the most about 4-H?

I really enjoyed being more involved in agriculture and the projects that promoted agriculture. I learned so much from being involved in the Pen of 3 commercial heifer project and I will take those skills and knowledge that I have gained with me into this next chapter of my life.

#### What did you learn from 4-H?

I have learned many things from being involved in multiple clubs and projects. I have learned the importance of time management, community service, leadership, and dedication.

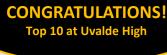
## What is your favorite 4-H memory?

My favorite 4-H memory is when I had my favorite pen of Brangus heifers. They were so gentle they would eat out of my hand. They ended up winning reserve champion for the pen, which then helped place me as reserve grand champion overall.

## What advice would you give to someone just joining 4-H?

Get involved in many clubs and projects. You will gain different skills, knowledge, and make great friendships.







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# Ryleigh Fulcher

### What clubs/projects in 4-H were you involved in?

In 4-H, I am involved in showing meat goats and the commercial pen of 3 heifers. I also participate in the salsa, baked goods, and photography contests at the UCJLS. I have also taken part in the Food and Nutrition project. I have been involved in 4-H since the 3rd grade. I am a member of the Sabinal 4-H Club and the Uvalde County Council. I have held many offices at the club level including my current position as President.

### What are your plans for your future?

I plan to attend Blinn College in Bryan, TX in the fall and major in Mechanical Engineering with plans to transfer to Texas A&M University, College Station to finish out my Bachelors.

### What did you enjoy the most about 4-H?

I really enjoy 4-H because you get to meet so many people from different backgrounds while making new friendships and having fun experiences. I am the second oldest of four girls and I really enjoy spending time with them. In 4-H I am able to have family time while doing something that I love at the same time. We do a lot of community service throughout the year and I really enjoy helping my community as well.



#### What did you learn from 4-H?

In 4-H, I have learned to be a better public speaker and how to be a hard worker. Raising animals is not for the weak and takes a lot of time. Time management is a necessary skill in life and I believe 4-H has been a major contributor that helped me better this skill.

### What is your favorite 4-H memory?

My favorite 4-H memory is participating in the stock shows. I loved raising goats and heifers and learning more about animals. Being with my friends and family is so important to me and I'm glad that 4-H brought us together.

## What advice would you give to someone just joining 4-H?

4-H is an amazing program and it teaches you so much. Being involved helps you make new friends and teaches you so many skills that you will use for a lifetime.

If you are just joining 4-H, just know this club has so many resources and people that are just wanting to help you succeed.

## **Koben Sanchez**

### What clubs/projects in 4-H were you involved in?

Sheep, Leadership, Community Service, Civic Education, and Citizenship, Photography, Foods and Nutrition, Public Speaking

## What are your plans for your future?

I am headed to Texas A&M University in the fall to begin the Public Health program. I hope to go into nursing and eventually be a travel nurse.

#### What did you enjoy the most about 4-H?

I mostly enjoyed the time I got to spend with my younger sister, Kyla.

## What did you learn from 4-H?

I learned too many things to list, but mostly I learned skills in time management, how to conduct meetings, how to advocate for myself and others, public speaking, being a leader, taking care of show animals, responsibility, and budget management.

### What is your favorite 4-H memory?

My favorite memory is getting my new puppy, Tank, and trying to train him to exercise the show lambs. What a circus that was! But he caught on and is a really good dog.

### What advice would you give to someone just joining 4-H?

I would tell them to encourage their friends to join so they could enjoy projects together. I would also tell them to pick the projects they would like to learn about, and to ask the leaders about different project options.



# WHO'S COING TO STATE ROUNDUP?

# **Hope Smith**

Hope will be competing at this year's 2024 Texas State Roundup in College Station, TX. She will be performing a choreographed routine in the Talent division on Wednesday, June 5, 2024. Hope will also be busy this summer with the Texas Healthy Youth Ambassadors and Texas 4-H Congress.





# **Whitney Whipkey**

Whitney will be singing the National Anthem during the General Assemblies of this year's 2024 Texas State Roundup June 4-6, 2024. Whitney will also be competing in the Food Challenge competition along with her teammates below.

# **The Wacky Whisks**

After placing first in their division of the Food Challenge at the District 10 Fall Roundup, our Senior team, "The Wacky Whisks" are headed to the 2024 Texas State 4-H Roundup! Pictured here L-R: Saige Vanderwier, Lauren Stevenson, Whitney Whipkey, Alvery Lands



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# **Officer Training**

32 Newly elected Club Officers participated in the 2024 Club Officer Training held on Sunday, April 21, 2024. 4-H members worked on teambuilding, parliamentary procedures and learned about their respective duties in their new positions.







# **Community Service**

In April, our 4-H members participated in three separate community service drives. The Uvalde County 4-H Council hosted a dog toy-making session, led by Tucker Allen and Brett Dreyer. Members made and donated 516 dog toys to the Uvalde Humane Society.

The 4-H Dog Obedience Project Group members donated 167.5 pounds of pet food to the Uvalde Humane Society, led by Hope Smith and Kendall Moerbe. The group members also bathed 5 dogs and walked 14 dogs.



Next year's county club officers donated over 300 individually wrapped snacks that were handed out at the Dia de Los Ninos event held on April 26th.

For more photos of these events and others go to our website at Uvalde.agrilife.org and click on Gallery.





# **American Made & 4-H Proud**

You are invited to join us for the 2024 Uvalde County 4-H Achievement Night Awards Banquet

Thursday, May 30th 6:30 pm Uvalde Fairplex Event Center

Please RSVP with the QR code or call (830) 278-6661 by May 20th (Meals served to RSVP guests)





## CALLING ALL 4-H BAKERS

Looking for 4-Hers to bake their favorite dessert to be served at the awards banquet on May 30th. Bakers will be recognized & will be able to use this for their recordbooks!



# 4-H Achievements Night!

Thursday, May 30th at 6:30 p.m.

## **RSVP Now!**

We need to know how many are coming! And the kids have a choice of BBQ or pizza! Please sign up now using the link below or by scanning the QR code.

https://shorturl.at/dkIT7

## Dessert Sign Up!

We provide the meal YOU provide the dessert! **Sign up now** to bring a dessert of your choice!

Click the following link or scan the QR code and let us know what dessert you are bringing.

https://forms.gle/cYYfGzns6qoCxQUf7

Please contact Heather Smith at 361-215-4502 if you have any questions.





## 2024 Projects Are Underway!

While the stock shows may be over there are plenty of projects going on. Check out our calendar on our website <a href="https://uvalde.agrilife.org/events/month/2024-04/">https://uvalde.agrilife.org/events/month/2024-04/</a> for more information on the projects listed below.

- Archery
- Riflery
- Shotgun

- Robotics
- STEM

# iFLY Indoor Skydiving

May 25, 2024

## Are you interested in a field trip to the iFLY STEM program?

**iFLY Indoor Skydiving** has offered 4-H an opportunity (group rate \$) to join its STEM program, which has been developed by Educators and Curriculum Developers, and claims their STEM program takes STEM learning off the page and into the air. Students learn aerodynamics, motion, force, and mathematical equations and then experience those equations (<u>iFLY STEM program</u>). It is exciting to see how learning can be fun and how STEM can be used in everyday life.

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) makes everything possible.

We plan to organize a STEM field trip at iFLY on Saturday, May 25, 2024 to arrive in San Antonio by 10 a.m.. <u>Please let us know by May 5<sup>th</sup> (email or call 4-H office, 830.278.6661) if your kids are interested in joining.</u> Also, if you would like to carpool, please indicate. Parents will be responsible for transportation unless you can find a carpool. This field trip will cost between \$45-\$55 per 4-H member for a minimum of 15 students.

More information about the iFLY STEM program

- ♦ We align our field trips with all state standards
- **♦** STEM trip overview (Video)

## **RECORD BOOKS**

## **DUE** Friday, May 17, 2024

## Why is it important you keep a record of your 4-H activities?

By recording their activities 4-Hers can remember all the fun they've had so far, and set future goals! Keeping records of 4-H projects could help them when they apply for college scholarships too! The Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship program has awarded \$2.7 MILLION to over 220 4-H Members annually. For more information on the Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship program. click HERE.

## 4-H Record books are books they make to record their annual projects.

- ♦ Allow 4-H members to tell how they have grown, what they have learned, where they came up short and to do it creatively within outlined parameters.
- Demonstrate the importance of keeping a written document of what has been done.
- ♦ Provides a written platform for goal setting and documentation of the actions required to reach goals.
- ♦ Provide an opportunity for competition at the County, District, and State level.

## What Should I Put in My Record Book?

- 1. General information
- 2. My 4-H Story
- 3. Financial Records
- 4. Project records goals and what you learned
  Be sure you have all the required records for your project.

## What Should I Leave Out of My Record Book?

- 1. Last year's records. (Except when you are graduating out of 4-H and want to apply for the "Achievement Award." All of your records are judged for this award).
- 2. Ribbons, letters, certificates, program booklets, score sheets, do NOT belong keep these for a scrapbook.

### What Makes a Good Record Book?

- 1. Neatness Use a computer or write with the same color ink; print if you can.
- 2. Completeness Anyone reading your record book should be able to tell exactly what you did in your project work and what you learned. Don't leave us guessing because you didn't explain well enough. Essay form (complete sentences and paragraphs) is fine. You may also use an outline form. If there is a question on your record sheets that you can't answer, write "Does not apply."
- 3. Accuracy It is important that the work and learning you report was actually done by you.

## What Can I do to Make My Record Book a Little More Special?

- 1. Newspaper photo clippings. (Newspaper articles are not allowed).
- 2. Other photographs pictures that show you working on a project or that help to explain what you have done, are fine. Remember: The pictures must be part of your project work a record book is not a photo album. Don't use posed pictures.

For more information and to download the forms go to our website at https://uvalde.agrilife.org/4h-and-youth/.

For more information on record books go to https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/

# **ANIMAL PROJECTS**

## 2024-2025 STEER/HEIFER VALIDATION

Date: June 25th

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Parker Residence

1252 CR 373

Uvalde, TX 78801

## Texas 4-H Roping School (June 16 –20, 2024) (EVENT INFORMATION)

The Statewide Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School will be held in Stephenville, TX. This event has been developed to encourage young people in 4-H to develop leadership skills and to exercise their abilities in working with younger members in roping activities in 4-H. Participation is open to all districts of the state, with applications being accepted on a first come, first-served basis with priority to those who are 12 years of age and older. The maximum number which can be accommodated is 50. Registration closes on Friday, May 3rd (5PM)



Follow the <u>TEXAS SHOW PAGE</u> on Facebook for the more events across the state of Texas.

# **District 10 Events!**

## **District 10 Horse Show**

Dripping Springs, TX June 13, 2024

REGISTRATIONS OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tuesday, May 14, 2024

LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 15-17, 2024

## **District 10 Leadership Lab**

Brownwood, TX June 26-28, 2024

REGISTRATIONS OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tuesday, May 28 2024

LATE FEE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 29-31, 2024

## **District 10 Record Book Judging**

July 11, 2024

REGISTRATIONS OPENS: Saturday, June 1, 2024

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tuesday, June 25 2024

LATE FEE REGISTRATION: W-F, June 26-28, 2024

County Record Books placing first in their category are eligible to compete at the district level.

# Help Youth Navigate the World of Computer Hardware vs Software

Developed by The Ohio State University and brought to you by Google, "Computer Hardware and Software" provides a hands-on and interactive approach for 4-H youth to grasp the nuances of computer technology. Equip youth with valuable insights into the inner workings of computers and empower them to navigate the digital landscape confidently. Get started by clicking here.

## **Buccaneer Commission Invitational 4-H/FFA Contests**

The Buccaneer Commission in Corpus Christi, Texas, will host an invitational contest event for 4-H & FFA Members.

### • Food Challenge (May 11, 2024):

The event will be hosted on Buc Days Festival grounds in the American Bank Center Exhibit Hall where \$7,500 will be awarded in prize money. Info HERE. Limited to first 75 teams!

# Texas 4-H State Events

## 2024 Texas 4-H State Roundup Room Blocks

Website: https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/

## 2024 Texas 4-H State Roundup Updates

Event Date: June 3-6, 2024 in College Station, TX

- Texas 4-H Roundup Handbook
- 2024 Changes & Reminders
- College & Career Fair Registration
- Room Block Information
- Sponsorship Opportunities
- Schedule of Events (Schedule is NOT finalized and subject to Change)
- Educational Workshops Series
- **NEW for 2024:** Any unresolved or declined credit card payments will be flagged, and affected individuals will be required to make payment on-site before being allowed to pick up their credentials and compete

# Texas 4-H Roundup Kickoff Speaker ANNOUNCED!

Join us on Monday, June 3rd, at Texas 4-H Roundup for the Kickoff Speaker! This year, we are thrilled to welcome John Beede. He is a renowned rock climber with a remarkable repertoire of adventures. He's conquered the tallest peaks on every continent, including the formidable Mount Everest and Antarctica's icy heights. John's extraordinary feats have captivated audiences worldwide, and his engaging storytelling and energy have inspired over one million



# Texas 4-H Roundup—Veterinary Science Skill-A-Thon!

The Texas 4-H Roundup Veterinary Science Skillathon is making a comeback at the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences! The exact location will be disclosed once all details are confirmed. Excitingly, a new addition for 2024 contest is a guided tour of the veterinary school, led by vet student ambassadors, after the conclusion of the veterinary science contest. Attendees interested in joining the tour are required to RSVP, and further details on how to do so will be provided later once Roundup Registration closes.



# **Texas 4-H State Events**

NEW TO ROUNDUP! Duds to Dazzle Solo Showcase Invitational

Do you love the Duds to Dazzle Contest? Want to participate, but can't get a team together? HERE IS YOUR CHANCE! Showcase your own talents at the first-ever Texas 4-H Roundup Duds to Dazzle Solo Showcase! Registration for the Duds to Dazzle Solo Showcase will be integrated into the Texas 4-H Roundup registration process, with only a limited number of spots available. Registration for Texas 4-H Roundup and this contest will be open May 1st.

Duds to Dazzle Solo will take place June 6th, right after the Duds to Dazzle team competition. Get ready to dazzle the crowd with your individual style!



# **NEW Information! 2024 Storyboard Invitational Contest**

The 2024 Texas 4-H Digital Story Board Contest registration will open on May 1<sup>st</sup> and remain open until May 15th. For more information visit the Fashion and Interior Design page.

Directions to register for the 2024 Texas 4-H Digital Story Board Contest

- 1. Go to 4-H Online
- 2. Event name 2024 Texas 4-H Digital Storyboard Invitational
- 3. Entry selection and \$15 fee payment will take place here.
- 4. You will receive a link to Submittable to upload entry.



# 2024 Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge

Registration is OPEN for the 2024 Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge at Long Acres Ranch in Richmond, Texas. Come out for a day of fun competition in skills like kayaking, fishing, riflery, outdoor first aid, archery, and so much more! Registration is open now through May 15th, so get your submissions in NOW! Reach out to Larry Hysmith for more information at larry.hysmith@ag.tamu.edu.



# **Upcoming Texas 4-H Natural Resources Program**

Check out the upcoming events that Texas 4-H Natural Resources has coming up! See something that your youth might be interested in? Share this with them! Contact Larry Hysmith at Larry. Hysmith@ag.tamu.edu for more details about these events



# Texas 4-H State Events

## Texas 4-H Horse Show Schedule RELEASED

Event Date: July 21 -27, 2024

The Texas 4-H Horse Show committee has released the schedule for the 2024 Texas State 4-H Horse Show: <u>DOWN-LOAD HERE</u>. The growth in entries and number of horses that the show has experienced over the past 5 years prompted the recommendation to extend the show by one day.

Other helpful links include: • 2024 Horse Show Rules • Hotels - Destination Bryan • Hotels - Visit College Station

## **Texas 4-H Center Summer Camp Registration OPEN**

Website: https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/

Information: The Texas 4-H Center will host a series of camps for 4-H members of all ages during the months of June, July & August. Registration is NOW OPEN! Space is limited in each camp, so register early! Full camp listing with dates can be downloaded <u>HERE</u>.

## **JOANN LOVES #TEXAS4H**

Ignite your Texas 4-H imagination with JOANN Fabric and Craft Stores! Blaze a trail to creativity with our friends at JOANN by your side. Support Texas 4-H with a visit to JOANN- donate at the register through May 4<sup>th</sup> and be apart of something inspiring! Can make it in-store? Sign-up here!



## **HELPFUL LINKS**

Scholarships: https://uvalde.agrilife.org/2018-2019-county-scholarships/

Texas 4-H Foundation: <a href="https://texas4hfoundation.org/">https://texas4hfoundation.org/</a>

4-H Online: https://4honline.com/#/user/sign-in

Record Books: <a href="https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/">https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/</a>

Shooting Sports: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/

Stockshow Events: Follow the TEXAS SHOW PAGE on Facebook for the stock shows across the state of

Texas.





"Savor the taste of your triumphs today, don't just swallow them all whole without digesting what is actually happening here. Look down over what you conquered and appreciate what God has brought through."

—CHADWICK BOSEMAN



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