



OCTOBER

Monthly Newsletter

DEADLINES AT A GLANCE

- **OCT 1:** 4-H Foundation County Grant Open
- **OCT 1:** Release letter for Horse Judging and Meat Judging
- **OCT 3:** HSTYA Road Trip Registration Opens
- **OCT 5:** 4-H Robotics Workshop (Leming, TX)
- **OCT 6-12:** National 4-H Week
- **OCT 11-12:** Kendra Scott Gives Back
 - **Code:** GIVEBACK-TX4H24
- **OCT 12-13:** D4 Shooting Sports Certification (Texarkana, TX)
- **OCT 18:** Virtual Volunteer Office Hours
- **OCT 19-20:** D6 Shooting Sports Certification (Midland, TX)
- **OCT 21:** Christmas Sock Design Contest (Deadline)
- **OCT 22-23:** Christmas Sock Design Voting
- **OCT 23:** Agent Only Scholarship Training
- **OCT 28:** HSTYA Road Trip Registration (Deadline)
- **OCT 28:** SPARK Registration (Deadline)
- **OCT 30:** District 12 Archery Registration Opens
- **NOV 1:** District 12 Horse Judging Registration Opens
- **NOV 1:** District 12 Meat Judging Registration Opens
- **NOV 1:** Texas Arbor Day
- **NOV 1:** 4-H Foundation Scholarship Opens
- **NOV 2-3:** D10 Shooting Sports Certification (Seguin, TX)



BRAND MANAGEMENT

Remember the clover cannot be distorted in anyway! Make sure you are using the official colors!
Remember: It's 4-H not 4H!
Remember" It's 4-H Youth Development not 4-H and Youth Development!

Logos: [HERE](#)

FOR MORE UPDATES:

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4-H ONLINE TIPS AND TRICKS

4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT TIPS

With the new 4-H year starting, here are some marketing tools for you to people to join the 4-H program! I am also including some one-pager's on 4-H Online to help answer your questions and to help new/renewing families navigate 4-H Online! Don't forget they can sign up on <https://www.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in!>

The downloads below are all NEW guides for you to customize and use within your County. Please look at each of them to implement in your 4-H program! There also new code of conduct and consequences forms as well.

[Template](#) - Facebook Cover Photo

[Template](#) - Facebook Graphic Template

[Template](#) - Instagram Graphic Template

[Template](#) - Flyer

[Download](#) - Welcome to 4-H Guide

[Template](#) - New Member Handbook

[Download](#) - Financial Management Guide

[Download](#) - Extension Volunteer Standards Guide



FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP CHANGES

APPLICATIONS OPEN NOV 1

New! to the 4-H Foundation Scholarship!

- The Foundation will be awarded one \$30,000 scholarship to one of the top applicants!
- There will be a CEA verification form that has to be completed by the agent and applicant!
 - This form is for the CEA to review the information in the scholarship and sign off if it is correct!
- Interviews are mandatory for applicants that are selected! There will be a first come first serve signup sheet! *If you have an applicant competing in Rifle, please reach out to me!*
- Remind applicants to use an email that they will check after high school graduation!



2024 TEXAS 4-H SPARK

Mark your calendars for Spark 2024! Spark is an exciting experience at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood for 3rd through 8th grade 4-H members to learn, grow, and have FUN! The 24-25 Texas 4-H Council will be hosting "Camo and Crowns" November 8-10.

Registration is \$170/participant and will be open September 1-October 28. [Click here for more information and for the registration link.](#)



4-H ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

ATASCOSA COUNTY WORKSHOP

Open to **all Texas 4-H Volunteers**, we are offering a robotics workshop! This workshop is designed to introduce the robotics project area for you to implement back home!

The workshop will be hosted October 5th, 2024 in Leming, TX at the Atascosa County Extension Office! We will begin at 8 AM with registration and close at 3:30 PM!

Registration is now **OPEN** for \$30 per person! Call the Atascosa County Office to register at 830-569-0034!



ONE DAY 4-H - OCTOBER 6-12, 2024

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK RESOURCES

One Day 4-H was created in 2009 as a way for all 4-H members to say “thank you” to their communities, counties, and state for all the support they have provided to 4-H for over 110 years. Now in its 16th year, One Day 4-H will be held on October 12, 2024 in every county across Texas. 4-H members, adult volunteers, and friends will help improve their communities by adopting a service project. Please see resources below to help your clubs and counties complete a One-Day 4-H project for 2024.

- [One Day 4-H Guide](#)
- [One Day 4-H T-Shirt Order](#) (due Sept 15)
- [Reporting Link](#)
- [Proclamation](#): Take this to Commissioner Court BEFORE 4-H week to declare the week in your County!



BACK TO SCHOOL SOCKS

TEXAS 4-H FOUNDATION

The Texas 4-H Foundation is super excited to announce that they have partnered with Bloom Socks for a Back-to-School Sock Bash Fundraiser!

Socks cost \$12.95 a pair, but **\$5.00 will go directly back to your County!** Make sure when people are ordering their socks they select their home County! As an incentive, for every County that sells 150 pairs, you will receive a **\$1000 travel voucher!** The deadline to order socks is September 15th!

Order now: [HERE](#)



IRS FILING - 990 FORM

DUE DECEMBER 20, 2024

August 31st ended the fiscal year for all 4-H clubs and groups in Texas that are under the Texas 4-H, Inc. umbrella. With the end of the fiscal year, comes the requirement for ALL Texas 4-H, Inc. clubs and groups to file their annual information return (Form 990-N, 990 or 990-EZ).

Any club or group that does not have a successful filing by the December date could potentially be in jeopardy of having their EIN revoked by the IRS. Filing a club or group annual information return is accomplished by each club or group manager and treasurer working with County Extension Agents to complete and file an IRS Form 990.

Form 990 is the form used by tax-exempt organizations to provide the IRS with the information required on an annual basis. There are several Form 990s that a 4-H club/group can file, depending on their financial status. The Form 990 options are:

- Form 990N (e-postcard): Gross receipts \$50,000 or less.
- Form 990EZ: Gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 at the end of the year.
- Form 990: Gross receipts exceeding \$200,000 at the end of the year.

HOW TO FILE

To electronically submit Form 990-N, Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations Not Required to File Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, use the Form 990-N Electronic Filing System (e-Postcard).

- Form 990-N must be completed and filed electronically. There is no paper form.
- Form 990-N filers may choose to file a complete Form 990 or Form 990-EZ instead.
- Use the Form 990-N Electronic Filing System (e-Postcard) User Guide while registering and filing.
- Organizations should continue efforts to file, even if late.

WHO MUST FILE

ALL 4-H clubs with an EIN must file (whether they have money or not) to retain their 501(c)3 status. Most small tax-exempt organizations whose annual gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less can satisfy their annual reporting requirement by electronically submitting Form 990-N if they choose not to file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ instead.

RESOURCES

- YouTube Video that takes you step-by-step through the tax filing process for 4-H clubs/groups can be accessed at: [HERE](#)
- IRS Form 990-N Electronic Filing System User Guide – Attached, and available at: [HERE](#)
- IRS website for Annual Electronic Filing Requirement for Small Exempt Organizations – Form 990-N (e-Postcard) and the IRS Filing Website: [HERE](#)



SOUTHERN CLASSIC PROSPECT SHOW

NOVEMBER 22, 2025 - DIMMIT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

District 12 4-H is announcing the District 12 Southern Classic Prospect Show! The prospect show will be open to 4-H and FFA members 3rd through 12th grade!

We will be hosting a clinic in the morning for cattle, lambs, goats, and hogs with a prospect show to follow lunch!

Rabbits and Poultry will have clinics in the morning (no prospect show)!

UPCOMING

- **NOV 1: Foundation Scholarship Opens**
- **NOV 1: Horse Judging Registration Opens**
- **NOV 1: Meat Judging Registration Opens**
- **NOV 7: Texas 4-H Summit**
- **NOV 8-10: Spark Camp @ Brownwood**
- **NOV 20: Scholarship Training via TEAMS**