

Lavaca County 4-H Update

December 10, 2021



<https://lavaca.agrilife.org/> and <https://www.facebook.com/LavacaCounty4H>

Good Luck to the following Participants at District 11 4-H Food Show and Food Challenge:

Food Show: Arielle Bennetsen, Sophia Etzler, and Aubrey Freytag

Food Challenge:

Country Cooking Cowgirls - Katie Richter, Brooke Rothbauer, Abigail Seigel, Addisyn Greive

Slicers and Dicers - Brodie Barta, Taylor Self, and Bethany Kram

Slicin' and Dicin' Chicks - Allyshia Grahmann, Kayla Immekus, Amanda Janak, Ava Matias



Good Luck to the following participants at the District 11 Archery Contest:

Jade Manning

Wade Manning

Lamb and Goat Showmanship Clinic



The Lamb and goat project showmanship clinic sponsored by Lavaca County 4-H and Hallettsville FFA will be held on Thursday December 16 at 6:30 pm at the Hallettsville ISD AG pavilion. Bring your projects for one-on-one assistance.

Photography Workshop

Thursday, December 30th

Green Dickson Park, Shiner

10:00 a.m. to Noon

Bring a camera (smart phone or tablet are okay)

Use this link to sign up for the workshop:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScYpU6SPmfiAVZSaMNOig_3-fIdOmULN4VvEB4nl-eijBmb7w/viewform?usp=sf_link

or call the office at 361-798-2221

San Antonio Stock Show School Tours

The School Tours Program offers students a wonderful opportunity to practice the leadership skills that 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA strives to develop in our youth. As we prepare for the upcoming San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, we are looking for enthusiastic, responsible students in grades 9 -12 (Special exceptions can be made for deserving 8th grade students) to take part in this unique leadership opportunity. Your students will grow by being tour guides to younger children and by educating them on agriculture and its' importance to our daily lives.

- Tour dates are assigned on a first come, first serve basis
- Students must commit to volunteer from 7:45 am to 2:30 pm on their tour day
- Do not schedule students on the day they sift, classify, or show an animal
- Additional correspondence will be e-mailed after we receive your initial commitment

The tour dates are:

Monday, February 14, 2022

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 (Natalie is not available)

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 (Natalie is not available)

Thursday, February 17, 2022

Friday, February 18, 2022 (Natalie is not available)

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Wednesday, February 23, 202 (Natalie is not available)

If you want to sign up to be a tour guide you must call the office **by NOON on Friday, December 18th with your top three date preferences from the above list.** Natalie may plan to be there on the date we are assigned and can help with transportation if she is available. Lavaca County has to commit to the number of guides we will have before our actual tour date is assigned. We will submit the date request in the order of the most preferred based on responses given to our office.

Record Book Corner: Section III – Community Service – “I pledge my hands to larger service” –how are you serving others? If you are a junior or an intermediate, you get 15 entries in this section. Seniors have 25. Only those things that you do as a part of 4-H community service belongs here. Involvement in scouts, FFA, other school, youth organizations, and church belong in section VI. If you are in third through fifth grade you can include this year and two previous years. Sixth grade and up may include this year and three previous years. Always list the current year first and go backward. Your current year (unless you have extenuating circumstances like COVID) should have more than the previous as you are trying to show how you have grown and increased involvement.

Pro Tip: Make a note of how many people you are helping and how. For example, if you were one of the members who helped make goody bags for Festival of Lights your entry might look like this:

Year	Role	Activity	Importance or Impact
2021-22	M	Worked as a team member to Make Goody Bags for Santa Claus at Hallettsville Festival Of Lights.	Spent 1 ½ hours making 600 bags from donations provided by the community to the city of Hallettsville.

What does Role mean?

Y –you did it on your own. For example cleaning out your closet and donating your clothing.

M–You were part of a group. All of the clubs complete community service, some at every meeting. Remember all of those things that you do. Have you brought a donation to a meeting, helped decorate a sign or made cards, etc.???

P – As you get older in 4-H you want to look for opportunities to take Primary Leadership in Community Service. What ideas have you come up with and gotten others to do with you?

Stock Show Important Dates and Information

Moulton Livestock Show

January 15th Premium Sale - 16th

Hallettsville Junior Livestock Show

January 21st-23rd

Hope Livestock Show-February 19th

PROJECT HOME VISITS



If you have questions about your show animals or would like Mr. DeForest to come out to look at your animals, please call the Extension Office to make an appointment.

Stock show Broiler Distribution

Hallettsville: December 10th – mid-afternoon time to be determined

LIVESTOCK SHOW RULES

It is the responsibility of each 4-Her to read, understand, and follow the rules of each activity they participate in. This especially holds true for local and major livestock shows as consequences for breaking the rules can be quite significant. Please contact the Extension Office if questions should arise.

Medications: 4-H Livestock exhibitors should be aware of the withdrawal times on medications and medicated feeds being given to show animals. Technically withdrawal time should be calculated from the time the animal arrives at the show. Please contact your veterinarian or feed dealer if there are any questions. Animals with illegal chemicals found in their system will be disqualified.

Scales: Lavaca County 4-H has two scales for weighing swine, lambs, and goats that can be checked out. Please call the Extension Office to book a scale. Please remember when you transport the scale, it must be locked down. This keeps the cables from breaking. Also make sure you clean the scale before returning it to the 4-H building. **PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT BRING ANIMALS INTO THE 4-H BUILDING.**

Clippers: Lavaca County 4-H has animal clippers that can be checked out. Please call the Extension Office to book them. Clippers are checked out without blades. **It is each families responsibility to have blades for their project.** Below is a list of suggested blades to purchase for use on the 4-H clippers:

Steers (slick shear):

Oster Clipmaster - 83/84AU

Lambs:

Lister Stablemate or Star Clippers: Lister AZF Fine

Goats:

For Lister Stablemate
or Star Clippers

Lister Cover Cote Blades

Hogs:

Small Andis clippers - #10 blade to be used with guards

We Need Your Video!!

Facebook Fridays



If you would like to make a video showcasing your project, use your phone to record yourself in landscape orientation. In the video, introduce yourself (you can just use your first name), tell what club you are in and something about your 4-H project or experience. Check out what has already been shared in the last four weeks by going to the Lavaca 4-H Facebook Page. Once you have made your video, share with natalie.knesek@ag.tamu.edu in google and email Natalie to let her know you shared it.

South Texas Farm and Ranch Show Scholarships

<http://southtexasfarmandranchshow.com/resources/scholarships/>

All forms can be emailed to drjohnwbeck@gmail.com, hand delivered, or mailed to Victoria County Extension Office, 528 Waco Circle, Victoria, TX 77904. **Completed applications must be postmarked, emailed, or dropped off at the Victoria County Extension office no later than March 21, 2022.**

T-Shirts

Need a 4-H Shirt?

We have both youth and adult sizes for sale in the office. The older green shirts are \$10 each. The new black shirt is \$15 for cotton and \$18 for drifit. This is an easy fundraiser for our county fund and a great way to promote 4-H.



Texas 4-H Conference Center

2022 Teen Retreat

When?

January 7th-9th, 2022

Where?

The Texas 4-H Conference Center
Brownwood, Texas

Who?

Teen Retreat is for all teens in 8th- 12th grade

What?

Teen Retreat is an opportunity for teens around Texas to engage in workshops focussing on teambuilding, leadership skills, citizenship, and personal responsibility.

Cost:

Youth- \$140

Adult- \$0

Registration is online at:

<https://campscui.active.com/orgs/Texas4HConferenceCenter#/selectSessions/3060937>

Deadline- January 3rd, 2022

For any inquiries please contact Tyler Cheely,
Program Coordinator
(P)- 325-784-5482
(E)- Tyler.cheely@ag.tamu.edu



**Let's Take a Big Group!!
Natalie will help provide transportation.**

Texas Youth Institute

March 11, 2022—Registration must be completed by February 14, 2022

https://www.worldfoodprize.org/en/youth_programs/global_youth_institute/texas/

The Texas Youth Institute is a life-changing experience at Texas A&M University where high school students engage with local leaders and experts on critical global challenges, participate in hands-on activities, and explore exciting ways to make a difference in Texas and around the world. **Students research issues they care about, and propose their ideas to solve these grand challenges. Note: Registration, resume and paper submission forms are now live!**

The Texas Youth Institute is hosted by Texas A&M University with the generous support of the College of Agriculture and Life Science Development Council, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, Texas A&M AgriLife Research, the Texas Hunger Initiative at Baylor University, and the SYSCO Corporation.

Texas 4-H Dog Show

Texas 4-H Dog Show will be held on July 7-9, 2022 at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds in Conroe, Texas. To be eligible for this show, dogs must be validated by January 10, 2022 in 4-H Online. For more information contact the Extension Office at 361-798-2221.



Have you read The Clover? Check it out here:

https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/management_clover_guide_21_22.pdf

Remember, also, to read the weekly e-mails you receive from Texas 4-H as they often have opportunities that do not get mentioned in this update.

This update is sent via email to all actively enrolled members and leaders. It is also posted on the county website. If you know of someone who is not receiving the updates, please have them check their Spam folders and their enrollment. Thanks!

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Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in any Extension activity, are encouraged to contact the County Extension Office (361)798-2221 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.