



ERATH COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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**Wednesday, January 8th –
Saturday, January 11th**

Rulebooks can be picked up at the Extension Office or
can be downloaded at:

<http://counties.agrilife.org/erath/files/2019/05/2020-JLSEC-RULE-BOOK-final-v4.pdf>

It is YOUR responsibility to know the rules! Make sure
you have reviewed the rulebook before show week!

County Work Day:

Thursday, January 16th @ 3:00pm

Remember – we have livestock scales, clippers, and
sharp blades available for you to check-out at no charge!!

If you need any assistance with your 4-H Livestock
project, please call the Extension Office to schedule a
appointment. We will be glad to assist you.

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Interested
volunteering at
a workshop or
contest? We
are always in
need of an
extra set of
hands!

Please let the
office know if
you would like
to learn more
about volunteer
opportunities!

We currently
need volunteers
for the District
Food Contests!

WORKSHOPS Fall DIY Series

When: Monday, December 16th,

4:30pm – 5:30pm

Where: District Extension &

Research Center

Cost: \$10.00/session

RSVP by December 13th

December's project will be snow globes. Please bring a small figurine to use inside your snow globe!



CONTESTS

District 8 Food Challenge

When: Wednesday, December 11th

Where: Bell County Expo, Belton, TX

Good Luck to the Baking Besties, Texas Cooks, and the Shakers & Bakers!!

District 8 Food Show

When: Wednesday, December 11th

Where: Bell County Expo, Belton, TX

Good Luck to Aidyn McKeehan, Corbin Powell, Hadley Dorris, Braelyn Lewis, Kaden Lewis, and Ava Castillo!!

District 8 Dairy Judging

When: Sunday, January 19th

Where: Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo

Good Luck Gracelyn Geijssel, Anna Koke, Jacob Koke, John Koke, Carmen Kuiper, Luke Kuiper, Tom Kuiper, Bella Olson, Mitch Olson, Emily Osinga, Henry Osinga, Jaclyn Osinga, Kaleb Osinga, Katie Osinga, Kylie Osinga, Makayla Osinga, Makenna Osinga, Kenlee Philips, Kooper Philips, Tatum Philips, Lisa Postmus, Ally Reed, Klass Schievink, Jordan Schievink, Tyler Traweek, Esmae Velsen, Jellie Waterlander, Bailey Watson, Lexi Watson, and Wyatt Watson!!

ERATH COUNTY FOOD CHALLENGE RESULTS:

1st Place Junior Team: **BAKING BESTIES**
Lucy Allen, Hannah Derington, Allie Shaw, Ella Shaw

2nd Place Junior Team: **TEXAS COOKS**
Kaden Lewis, Braelyn Lewis, Ella Becker, Charlie Horner

1st Place Intermediate Team: **COOKING STARS**
Kenley Pack, Carlie Cole, Sophie Slawson, Kate Fambrough

2nd Place Intermediate Team: **SHAKERS & BAKERS**
Ava Barnes, Tristan Sparks, Jewel Sorrells

ERATH COUNTY FOOD SHOW RESULTS:

1st Place Junior, Nutritious Snacks – Ava Castillo

1st Place Junior, Fruits & Vegetables – Braelyn Lewis

1st Place Junior, Bread & Cereal – Hadley Dorris

1st Place Junior, Main Dish – Kaden Lewis

1st Place Intermediate, Nutritious Snacks – Aidyn McKeehan

1st Place Intermediate, Fruits & Vegetables – Corbin Powell

1st Place Intermediate, Main Dish – Ryder Sims



District 8 4-H SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOPS

November 21st @ Ellis County Ext. Office
6:00pm–7:30pm
RSVP to megan.parr@ag.tamu.edu by Nov. 20th

November 26th @ Bell County Ext. Office
2:30pm–4:00pm

RSVP to sheryl.long@ag.tamu.edu by Nov. 20th

December 17th @ District 8 Center,
6:00pm–7:30pm

RSVP to megan.parr@ag.tamu.edu by Dec. 13th
Will be live streamed & recorded for viewing





**ALEXAS ASAM
AGRICULTURE
EXTENSION**

GLOBE

Global Leadership Opportunities Beyond Education

Who: 4-H members currently in 8th - 11th grades
When: Tue 1; June 15-17 or June 17-19, 2020
World Hunger Relief, Wars, & more

Limited to 20 youth each session
Participants chosen from applications submitted

Registration fee of \$175 until December 31;
if places available after 12/31 fee is \$200

Register on 4Hconnect

Register NOW!

- attend webinars
- give presentations
- facilitate service project

Please let us know if special accommodations are needed.



ECLA SHOW SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019

4:00 PM RABBIT VALIDATION – STEPHENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2020

3:00 PM TACK FOR ALL SPECIES MAY ARRIVE (EXCEPT DAIRY)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020

6:00 AM GATES OPEN

9:00 AM BROILER & RABBIT CHECK-IN

10:00 AM BROILER SHOW

11:00 AM BREEDING RABBIT FOLLOWED BY MARKET RABBIT AND
SHOWMANSHIP (OR AFTER CONCLUSION OF BROILER SHOW)

2:00 PM MARKET GOATS & LAMBS MAY ARRIVE

2:00 PM MARKET SWINE CLASSIFICATION & WEIGH-IN

3:00 PM AG MECHANICS CHECK-IN & SET-UP

9:00 PM GATES CLOSED

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020

6:00 AM GATES OPEN

6:00 AM BEEF CATTLE MAY ARRIVE

8:00 AM AG MECHANICS SHOW

8:00 AM MARKET LAMB CLASSIFICATION & WEIGH-IN FOLLOWED BY
MARKET GOAT WEIGH-IN

10:30 AM STEER CLASSIFICATION & WEIGH-IN FOLLOWED BY BEEF
HEIFER CHECK-IN

12:00 PM MARKET SWINE SHOW

9:00 PM GATES CLOSED

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2020

6:00 AM GATES OPEN

7:00 AM YOUTH FAIR CHECK-IN

8:00 AM MARKET GOAT SHOW FOLLOWED BY MARKET LAMB SHOW

2:00 PM BEEF HEIFER SHOW FOLLOWED BY MARKET STEER SHOW

2:00 PM LAMB & GOAT TACK MUST BE REMOVED FROM DAIRY STALL
AREA

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM DAIRY ARRIVAL & CHECK-IN (NO CHECK-IN ON SATURDAY)

9:00 PM GATES CLOSE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2020

5:00 AM GATES OPEN

5:00 AM – 7:00 AM DAIRY CATTLE MAY ARRIVE

8:00 AM DAIRY SHOW

11:00 AM HORSE SHOW AT LONE STAR ARENA

5:30 PM SHOWMANSHIP RECOGNITION & AWARDS PRESENTATION

6:00 PM SALE OF CHAMPIONS AUCTION

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020

3:00 PM WORK DAY

COMMITTEE MEETINGS (AT COURTHOUSE ANNEX)

MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2020

6:00 PM LAMB/GOAT

7:00 PM DAIRY

7:30 PM ALL OTHERS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020

6:00 PM SWINE

7:00 PM STEER

7:30 PM HORSE

SPRING 2020 MAJOR LIVESTOCK SHOWS



January 17 – February 8, 2020

<https://www.fwsr.com/p/livestock-shows/livestock-premium-list>



January 29 – 15, 2020

<https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/livestock/entries-premiumbook>



February 6 – 23, 2020

<https://www.sarodeo.com/livestock/livestock-premium-list>



February 7 – 9, 2020

<https://www.texaseliteshowcase.com/>



March 3 – March 22, 2020

<https://www.rodeohouston.com/Get-Involved/Exhibitors-Participants/Livestock-Show>



March 14 – 28, 2020

<https://rodeoaustin.com/get-involved/compete/livestock-show/>



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As we move past validation events, please let the office know if you are wishing to have a project visit! From experienced showmen to beginning families, project visits are a key tool to make sure you and your animal are on the path to success at County or Major shows!!

Erath County Youth Fair Schedule

Friday, December 6, 2019 – ENTRIES and FEE DUE by 5:00 p.m.

Friday, December 6, 2019 – DEADLINE to submit digital photos (for all Photography entries)

Friday, December 13, 2019 – LATE ENTRIES DUE (except photography)

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

- 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. – Check-in for Arts & Crafts and Shop Art Categories
- 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Judging
- 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Ribbons placed on 1st – 6th place items
- 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – All items must be picked up. *Qualifying items (1st – 6th place) must be returned to the Fair on Friday, January 10th.*

Friday, January 10, 2020

- 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. – Check-in for Foods Category prior to judging and qualifying items of Arts & Crafts, Shop Art, and Photography (1st – 6th place items)
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Judging of Foods Category with Top 6 advancing to Silent Auction
- 10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Silent Auction
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Area Closed
- 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. – Buyers must pay for and pick up items won in auction
- 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. – Calls made to 2nd name on bid sheets for pick up and payment
- 6:30 p.m. – Remaining Silent Auction items must be picked up by exhibitor

Keep in mind, all Youth Fair exhibitors are required to do at least one of the following:

1. Help clean-up on January 16th @ 3:00pm
2. Sell raffle tickets on Friday, January 10th
3. Help with Silent Auction on Friday, January 10th

Sign-in sheets will be checked to confirm participation in at least one activity listed above before prize money is distributed

4-H ROUND-UP

COUNTY 4-H ROUND-UP

MARCH/APRIL 2020

Erath County Extension Office

County Round-up is open to all ages of 4-H members.

Deadline to enter: TBA



DISTRICT 8 4-H ROUND-UP

SATURDAY, MAY 2ND, 2020

Riesel High School, Riesel, TX

Deadline to enter: April 17th, 2020

TEXAS STATE 4-H ROUND-UP

JUNE 8TH – 11TH, 2020

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

Senior level (9th-12th grade) members that have successfully placed in a qualifying position at the District level are eligible to participate in the State contest.

Intermediate age 4-H'ers may only participate in invitational contests at Texas 4-H Round-Up

Do you like to dance? Can you sing? Do you play an instrument?

Have you given a presentation to your peers? Taught a lesson to a club?

Do you like to tell stories? Are you good at memorization?

If you answered yes to any of these questions – there's a place for you at Round-Up!!

COUNTY & DISTRICT ROUND-UP CONTESTS:

- Educational Presentation
 - o Ag Tech & Farm Safety
 - o Animal Science
 - o Beef
 - o Health & Wellness
 - o Horse
 - o Open
 - o Open – AG/NR
 - o OPEN – FCH
 - o Promote 4-H
 - o Safety & Injury Prevention
- Beef Quiz Bowl
- Horse Quiz Bowl
- Public Speaking
- Share-the-fun
 - o Vocal
 - o Poetry/Prose
 - o Choreographed Routines
 - o Celebrate 4-H
 - o Musical/Instrumental
 - o Dramedy
 - o Solo/Band Performance

Texas State 4-H Round-Up Information:

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/>

4-H OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS

The Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation is once again pleased to offer senior high school 4-H members and current college students the opportunity to apply for an Opportunity Scholarship. Texas 4-H members can apply for scholarships in three areas: baccalaureate, courageous heart, and technical. Former Texas 4-H members will be able to apply for scholarships through the collegiate scholarship program.

Changes for the 2020 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Process:

- All applications must be submitted through the **Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship Portal**.

Reminders:

- Applicants must work directly with their school administrators to ensure they have quartile ranking for their application. A quartile ranking is required to be considered for a Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship.
- Any incomplete or incorrect application submitted will not be considered. It is the responsibility of the 4-H member and parent/guardian to ensure all information is correct and complete prior to submitting. Absolutely no follow up or updates will be allowed once submitted.

APPLICATION

All applications must be submitted through the Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship Portal (online) and meet all criteria to be considered.

Scholarship Portal:

<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=tamu>

APPLICATION GUIDELINES, HOW TO'S, FAQs & FAFSA INFORMATION

- All information can be found on the Texas 4-H Foundation website at: <https://texas4hfoundation.org/what-we-do/#opportunity-scholarships>

You need to be working on your FAFSA Applications NOW!!

Deadline for District Review: January 3rd, 2020

Application Deadline: February 14th, 2020

CLUB MEETINGS

Contact your Club Managers to confirm date, time & location of your next club meeting.

****CHECK WITH YOUR CLUB FOR DEC & JAN MEETINGS****

CLUB MANAGER MEETING

Thursday, December 12th, 5:00pm

@ the County Extension Office.

Mandatory for all club managers.

We will be using this meeting as a mid-year check-point. Please bring any concerns, needs, ideas to share and discuss.



TSU Teaching Pavilion

TSU AG Farm - College Farm Road

CLINIC COST - FREE to Enrolled 4-H Members (\$5.00 - All Others)

Fundamentals of Showmanship, Show Preparation, and Clipping will be covered by Rick Heslinga. Participants are encouraged to bring their own show heifers for hands-on showmanship practice!



Call the CEO for more information (254) 965-1460



The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

DECEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	Youth Fair & County Photography Contest Entry Deadline	7 Dairy Project Clinic
8	9	ECLA Rabbit Validation	11 D8 Food Show & Food Challenge	12 Club Manager Meeting	13 Youth Fair LATE Entry Deadline	14 4-H Fusion
15	16 DIY Series #4	17 Scholarship Workshop	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 CEO CLOSED	25 CEO CLOSED	26	27	28
29	30	31				



JANUARY 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 CEO CLOSED	2	3 Scholarship Review Deadline	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW OF ERATH COUNTY & ERATH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH FAIR			
12	13	14	15	16 ECLA Work Day	17 Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo Begins	18
19	20 CEO CLOSED ECLA Committee Meetings	21 ECLA Committee Meetings	22	23	24	25
D8 Dairy Judging						
26	27	28	29 San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Begins	30	31	

February Events & Deadlines

Feb 6th - San
Antonio Begins

Feb 7th -
Texas Elite
Showcase Begins

Feb 14th -
Texas 4-H
Opportunity
Scholarship
Applications DUE

Feb 17th -
CEO closed

Erath County 4-H Clubs

4-H CLUBS – MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE					
CLUB	MEETING PLACE	DAY	TIME	CLUB MANAGER	PHONE
COMMUNITY CLUBS					
County Council	County Extension Office	As Needed	As Needed	Helen Hardy	(254) 965-1460
Morgan Mill	Morgan Mill Community Center	3 rd Tuesday	6:30pm	Elizabeth Starnes	(254) 592-2000
Stephenville	Valley Grove Baptist Church	2 nd Monday	6:00pm	Kendi Maruska	(254) 744-7225
Foster's Home	Foster's Home	2 nd Sunday	3:00pm	Brawnson Oliver	(254) 968-2143
PROJECT CLUBS					
Dairy	Southwest Regional Dairy	3 rd Thursday	7:00pm	Heather Jones	(254) 967-3790
Entomology	Meet as needed – Contact Club Manager for Info.			Krista Pendergrass	(254) 485-1450
Horse	Meet as needed – Contact Club Manager for Info.			Mary Sue Dunbar	(254) 977-4924
Lamb & Goat	TSU Ag Farm	1 st Thursday	6:00pm	Carol Barrett	(254) 485-5957
Pasture to Packer	County Extension Office	As Needed	As Needed	Lonnie Jenschke	(254) 965-1460
Shooting Sports	Research & Extension Center	1 st Tuesday	6:00pm	Roy Green	(254) 967-3737
IN-SCHOOL CLUBS					
White Horse Christian Academy	White Horse Christian Academy	1 st Monday	---	Vanessa Halford	(254) 459-1230

Enrolled 4-H Members can be a part of multiple clubs at their discretion. However, you must select a Primary Club during enrollment.

It is advised to call the Club Manager to check for time and/or location changes if this is your first time attending!

Provisions from the American Disability Act will be considered when planning educational programs and activities. Please notify the Erath County Extension Office as far in advance of the program as possible if you plan on attending an Extension Educational program and require specialized services. This will allow ample time to acquire resources to meet your needs. Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A & M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating