

# 4-H NEWS

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How are you staying in touch?



Did you know...?

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United Way

#### ...we have a Facebook.

@ErathCounty4H is one of the best ways to stay connected with what Erath 4-H is doing and related 4-H events across all project areas. The most recent and current updates from livestock shows and related pages are shared directly to our FB page. Erath County 4-H events are kept updated, as well as posting related events in the FB albums. Newsletters and rulebooks are also uploaded as pictures!

#### ... we send email updates.

Emails are sent to all enrolled members. Updates include upcoming deadlines, events, volunteer opportunities, and livestock show updates.

## ...we have an Erath County AgriLife Website.

You can find enrollment information, livestock show links, camp information, awards banquet forms, county show rulebook, youth fair entry forms and rulebook, recordbook information, and 4-H projects and related activities/contests?

www.erath.agrilife.org

#### **INSIDE THIS ISSUE:**

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As a 2021 Erath County United Way partnering agency, we encourage you to support the United Way Annual Fish Fry!! On August 18<sup>th</sup>, the Knights of Columbus will be preparing fish from 4:30pm – 7:30pm at Newman Hall. We sincerely appreciate the support of ECUW, and hope you consider returning that gratitude at this event.

# Upcoming Stock Show Dates & Deadlines

#### **WEST TEXAS FAIR & RODEO**

Abilene, September 2 – 18, 2021 Entry deadline: August 6, 2021 TaylorCountyExpoCenter.com



#### STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

Dallas, September 21 - October 17, 2022

Entry deadline: August 25, 2021

BigTex.com



#### **HEART O' TEXAS FAIR & RODEO**

Waco, TX October 1-17, 2021

Entry deadline: September 10, 2021

HOTfair.com



Come by the Office anytime to sign up for these shows and contests. You can also be emailed the info as well.



September 11: (County Only) Steer & Dairy Heifer Validation
9:00am – 11:30am
Stephenville Cattle Company

September 24: Deadline to Order and Pay for Broilers

October 18: Breeding and Market Lamb & Goat and Heifer Validation

3:00pm - 6:00pm

ECLA Show Barn

November 13: Swine Validation 8:00am – 1:00pm ECLA Show Barn

**December 7:** Rabbit Validation 4:00pm ECLA Show Barn

January 17: Lamb/Goat & Others Species Meeting 6:00pm & 6:30pm ECLA Show Barn

January 18: Horse, Steer, Swine Species Meeting 6:00pm, 6:30pm, & 7:00pm ECLA Show Barn

January 24: Dairy Species Meeting 6:00pm ECLA Show Barn

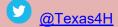
https://www.ecjls.com/

Rulebooks have been published on Facebook and both the Erath County and JLSEC website!!

## Stay connected with Texas 4-H:

https://texas4h.tamu.edu/

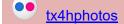














## 2021 - 2022 Pasture to Packer Program

Interested in what it takes to take a beef steer from the pasture to the packer? Looking to try your hand at a local business venture? Curious how current profit/loss models look in the agriculture industry?

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Erath County Pasture to Packer Program will begin soon! To educate youth about the production and industry of beef cattle, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Erath County has developed this program. Pasture to Packer encourages youth to become more involved in commercial production and educate them on what is required to get beef cattle from the pasture to the packer, and finally, to the consumer!

#### Thing's participants will learn and do:

- Select and feed out a 750 800 lb steer for 150 – 170 days
- Chute side manners
- Livestock identification
- Complete a loan application for steer
- Marketing tools
- Profit/loss and Revenue models
- Recordkeeping
- Awards Banquet
- Educational Trips to top agriculture businesses in the industry this year to Central Texas

Any active (enrolled) Erath County 4-H member may apply for this program.

Up to 15 applicants will be selected to participate in the program! If you are interested in applying, contact the Extension Office for more information and an application.

## **APPLICATIONS DUE: SEPTEMBER 3rd**





#### **CLUB MEETING**

#### **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	Thomas Boyle	(254) 485- 3876			
Morgan Mill	Morgan Mill Community Center	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	6:30 PM	DeAnna Powell	(254) 485- 9994			
Stephenville	TBA https://www.facebook.com/ stephenville4h	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	5:30 PM	Christin Pack	(817) 202- 5078			
Foster's Home	Foster's Home	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	***	Brawnson Oliver	(254) 968- 2143			
	PROJ	ECT CLUBS						
Dairy	Southwest Regional Dairy	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	7:00 PM	Heather Jones	(254) 967- 3790			
Horse	Meet as needed - Contact (	Mary Sue Dunbar	(254) 977- 4924					
Lamb & Goat	TSU Ag Farm	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	6:00 PM	***	***			
Pasture to Packer	County Extension Office	As Needed	As Needed	Lonnie Jenschke	(254) 965- 1460			
Shooting Sports	Research & Extension Center	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	6:00 PM	Roy Green	(254) 967- 3737			
IN-SCHOOL CLUBS								
Bluff Dale ISD	Bluff Dale School		***	Ed Berngen	254- 595- 2648			
White Horse Christian Academy	White Horse Christian Academy	1st 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!

# Heifer, Lamb & Goat Validation Tag Orders

Tag Orders DUE: August 26<sup>th</sup> ( Lamb & Goat)
September 15<sup>th</sup> (Heifers)
\$18.00/tag

(Heifers to be invoiced after validation)

Physical Validation: October 18<sup>th</sup> ECLA Barn from 3:00pm – 6:00pm 2389 FM 205, Stephenville, TX 76401

#### Key Points:

- For all Market Lambs, Market Goats, Breeding Sheep, Wether Dams, Breeding Goats, and Wether Does
- Market animals are validated per family
- Breeding Sheep and Goats are validated per exhibitor
  - Wether Dams and Does must comply with breeding animal requirements
  - Tagging rules and requirements remain the same
- Heifers still eligible to show for a 2<sup>nd</sup> year do NOT need to be re-validated if the breed and owner have remained the same
- Lambs & Goats Will be county validated at the same time (7 dollars per head)
- A 2021 2022 Ethics Code form is required for each exhibitor

### LAMBS AND GOATS VALIDATED FOR THE 2021 STATE FAIR OF TEXAS WILL HAVE TO BE RE-VALIDATED FOR THE 2022 SPRING/WINTER MAJOR SHOWS.

Texas Lamb Breeders Association (TLBA) tag numbers MUST be in the lamb's ear and be recorded on the validation form at validation and be on the form at the time they are submitted. NO TLBA tag numbers will be added to the validation forms after the forms are submitted to the Sheep and Goat Validation of Texas program. Market lambs must have a GREEN TLBA tag to be eligible to compete in the San Angelo Stock Show or receive TLBA recognition at other major shows. Wether dams must have a BLUE TLBA ewe lamb tag to be eligible to compete in the San Angelo Wether Dam Show.

#### \*VALIDATION IS NOT AN ENTRY\*

If you are entering the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, or 9<sup>th</sup> grade this fall or you are new to 4-H, you must take (or re-take) the Quality Counts course to show your livestock project!! This course must be completed by the <a href="Entry Deadline">Entry Deadline</a> of the show you are planning to attend.

https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx



### **ERATH COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW**



Make sure to follow the County Show's website (https://www.ecjls.com/) and their Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/ECJLS/ or @ECJLS) to stay in touch with updates, validation timelines, and entries!





# 4-H Enrollment for 2021 - 2022 begins August 15<sup>th</sup>

\*\*Incoming 3rd Graders must wait until September 1st to Enroll\*\*

All profiles will change to INACTIVE on August 15<sup>th</sup> and you will be required to re-enroll for the 2021-22 4-H year.

If you have any questions about signing up your child for the Upcoming 4-H year, call the Office for instructions.

www.4honline.com

#### **Existing Members:**

 You will use the same email and password if you have an existing account.

#### **New Members:**

- If creating a new account, you will select "Don't have an account" on the home page.
  - o Select "State: Texas"
  - o Select "Texas 4-H & Youth Development"
  - Select "County: Erath" then "Create Account"
  - Complete and verify address and begin adding family members!





# **AUGUST 2021**



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Glen Rose Jackpot Show	West Texas Fair Entries DUE	3	4	5	6 Office Closes at 2 p.m.	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
			Lonnie and Thomas out of the Office			
15	16	17	18	19 United Way Meeting	20	21
22	23	24	25 State Fair of Texas Entry Deadline	26 Lamb/Goat and Validation Tag Orders DUE	27	28
29	30	31				



# September 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	1	2	Pasture to Packer Applications Due	4
5	6	7	All Agents out of the Office	9	10	11 West Texas Fair Goat Show Steer & Dairy Heifer Validation
12 West Texas Fair Goat Show	West Texas Fair Livestock Judging Contest	14 4-H PAC Meeting	Heifer Validation Tag Orders DUE	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Broiler Orders Due for ECJLS SFT Lamb Show	State Fair of Texas Lamb Show
State Fair of Texas Goat Show	State Fair of Texas7 Goat Show SFT Youth Food Challenge Contest	28	29	30		