



Happy Cinco de Mayo
Kleberg-Kenedy County 4-H Newsletter
May 2023



The Kleberg-Kenedy County 4-H Newsletter contains information on activities, events, and deadlines that allows families to select their interest in the respective project(s).

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Spring is here and there are still many 4-H opportunities available to members, parents, and leaders! Check your email as we continue communicating with you on upcoming events/activities.

Continue attending your club meetings and stay involved in upcoming 4-H events.



Like Us on Facebook
<http://www.facebook.com/klebergkenedy4H>



Americans with Disability Act of 1990:

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation in order to participate in any 4-H event are encouraged to contact the County Extension Office (361.595.8566) at least two weeks in advance of the program to see how reasonable accommodations can be made.

School Eligibility:

Kleberg-Kenedy County AgriLife Extension Service complies with the law set forth by legislature regarding eligibility and school absences. Members competing or simply participating in a 4-H event (judging events, presentations, livestock shows, etc.) must be certified as eligible to participate by their respective school. School Officials will be provided with a list of students entered in competitive/non-competitive 4-H events. Should a student be ineligible according to their school, 4-H members will be notified in writing of their ineligibility statuses by our office.



Graduating Seniors- Graduation cords:

Congratulations on all your accomplishments. May all your dreams come true.

Take some time to reflect on the people that were there not only through your achievements but through the challenges you encounter along the way.

Stay focused as you close this chapter of your life and move on to the next.

Please come by the Extension Office to pick up your graduation cords!



Tractor Supply (Spring) Paper Clover Campaign:

Tractor Supply Company will once again be hosting their annual 4-H Paper Clover Campaign from April 26-May 5, 2023. Members are encouraged to ask family members and friends to support the campaign by purchasing paper clovers.

Club Managers have been contacted directly for work schedule.



4-H Record books:

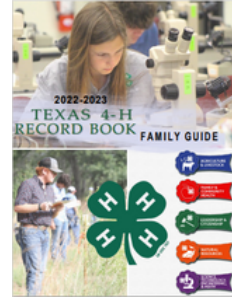
Recordbooks are due for County Judging by Friday, June 9th.

Recordbook covers are available at the Extension Office. Cost for Recordbook covers is \$4.

If you are interested in judging Recordbooks please contact Ms. Lopez at 361-595-8566 or phyllishia.lopez@agnet.tamu.edu

This is a great opportunity to see how other counties do Recordbooks!

Resources: <https://agrillife.org/d124h/4-h-event/4-h-recordbooks/>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ont4X4vdDVM>



4-H Club Charter:

Information on club chartering for the 2023-2024 4-H year was emailed directly to club managers on April 19, 2023.

Please follow through with completing the chartering process.

**DONT
MISS IT** !

State 4-H Roundup:

Registration open May 1st through 4-H Online. Deadline May 15th.



District 12 4-H Leadership Lab:

Leadership Lab is scheduled for June 13th-15th. (Please read below for more information)

Keep checking this link: <https://agrilife.org/d124h/4-h-event/leadership-lab/>



Elevate

District 12 Leadership Lab



District 12 4-H Leadership Lab is an overnight camping experience for youth in the 7th -12th grades. The focus of the event is to provide 4-H members the opportunity to learn valuable leadership and life skills by participating in a variety of educational activities, team-building exercises, and learning sessions.



Registration: May 1st - 22nd Camp Dates: June 13th-15th

Where: TAMU Kingsville

2023 District 12 4-H ELEVATE (Leadership Lab)

District 12 4-H Leadership Lab is named "ELEVATE" this year and will be held June 13-15, 2023 at Texas A&M University in Kingsville. ELEVATE is open to all 4-H'ers who participate in 4-H clubs, EFNEP, curriculum enrichment and other 4-H activities. They must be enrolled on 4-H Online to register. Participants will check-in at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 13th and should plan to check-out on Thursday, June 15th at 12 pm.

Registration Fees & Deadline: The total cost for ELEVATE (Leadership Lab) participants is \$220.00 per person (this is for lodging, meals, and program costs). ALL participants attending District 12 4-H Leadership Lab must register through 4-H Online, including youth, Council Officers, adult chaperones and Agents. Registration instructions are included in this letter. All registrations must be approved by the county and district office. Individual online registration will open May 1st, 2023, through the deadline of May 22nd, 2023. Late registration will open May 23rd, 2023, with an additional \$50.00 fee per person. Late registration closes on May 31st, 2023. There is a No Refund policy regarding this event due to the costs incurred in advance of the event. All attendees should select the appropriate registration type listed below:

- 4-H Member Attendee
- 4-H Council Officer
- 4-H Adult Chaperone (Volunteer/Agent)

Age Eligibility: All youth must be currently in or have completed the 7th grade by May 31st, 2023 to attend Leadership Lab.

Required Forms for All Attendees: Youth, adult leaders, parents, and Agents that register to attend ELEVATE (Leadership Lab) must download, complete, sign and upload the following forms as part of their 4-H Online registration. These forms are all required to attend.

- Texas 4-H Waiver & Indemnification Form
- Health and Safety Statement

These forms are available to download on District 12 4-H Leadership Lab website as well as during the 4-H Online registration process and must be uploaded as part of 4-H Online registration. Please do not email any copies to the District office. Agents should print and keep a copy on file. Copies should also be carried while traveling to and from the event. Please advise parents who have youth traveling with volunteers or Agents to print copies and send with their children for travel purposes.

The following consent forms must be completed and acknowledged on 4-H Online during the registration process: Youth Consequences of Misbehavior, Youth/Adult Code of Conduct and Media/Photo Release.

CEA's and Chaperones: Specific Agent responsibilities will be forwarded once assignments have been made. Please note that only enrolled and screened volunteers who are qualified to serve as chaperones may attend.

Each county will need to have one male and one female chaperone for every eight (8) youth of the same gender and must stay overnight. Prior to certifying registrations, the adequate number of chaperones per county needs to be coordinated within the county. All adult volunteers, leaders, parents, and Agents registered will be serving as chaperones throughout the duration of Leadership Lab and are expected to stay at the camp facilities as they will be actively involved in various components of this event. This is critical for the success of the program.

Please encourage parents and leaders to attend. Agents and adult chaperones are required to register through 4-H Online which opens May 1st, 2023 through the deadline of May 22nd, 2023 and pay the required-discounted rate of \$180. Agents and adult leaders are asked to please register in a timely manner as late registrations for adults will be accepted from May 23-31, 2023 at the regular rate of \$220.

Items to Bring - Youth and Adults attending Lab should bring the following items:

- Signed youth/adult forms (all forms completed and signed)
- Linens (towels, sheets, pillows, sleeping bags, etc.)
- Comfortable shoes (closed shoes) and comfortable clothes
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, sunblock, etc.)
- Alarm clock (optional)
- Appropriate clothes for a dance
- Snacks for your dorm room
- 4-H members are encouraged to wear any 4-H t-shirts on Tuesday (arrival day). Lab shirts are included with every registration. Please select the correct (Adult or Youth) size when registering online. There will be no extra shirts available on-site to "swap" if you select the incorrect size.

2023 DISTRICT 12 4-H Officer Election Convention

The 2023 District 12 4-H Officer Election process has changed due to the recent retirement of the District 4-H Specialist. However, we will be proceeding with the Election Process with some specific changes as noted below. Links to the Election Code (Revised 11/2016) and the Standing Rules (Revised 11/2016) adopted by the District Council are on our website. Please forward this information to your candidates and voting delegates and have them review it thoroughly. Candidacy filing opens Tuesday, May 16, 2023 through the deadline of Tuesday, June 6, 2023. Here is a list of important dates related to this event:

- June 6, 2023 - Deadline for Candidacy Filing to run for office (D12 4-H website)
- June 6, 2023 - Deadline for Voter Registration to serve as a voting delegate (D12 4-H website)
- June 6, 2023 - Deadline for Election Judge Applications (D12 4-H website)
- June 6, 2023 - Deadline to register all attending including candidates, delegates, guests, agents
- (via 4-H Online – Youth or Adult profiles).

2023 CHANGES

Candidates:

- Suspension of the requirement to attend either the Fall or Spring Council Meeting. Council only hosted a Fall meeting.

Voter Registration:

- No significant changes except for the Voter Registration deadlines/timelines.
- For 2023, all votes must be cast in-person at the Election Convention. There will not be an absentee ballot process this year.

There will be no registration fee for the Election Convention this year. However, we are asking all in attendance (candidates, delegates, agents, and volunteers) to register on 4-H Online by June 6th. One person can register the family group through any 4-H member/volunteer profile. Light refreshments will be provided for all in attendance.

There are three different ways that a 4-H member can be involved in this year's Election Convention. They can be a Candidate, Voting/Alternate Delegate, or serve as an Election Judge.

Candidates:

Each candidate must submit to the District Office their filing information as requested below by the filing deadline of June 6, 2023. All candidacy filing will be done online via the D12 4-H website at <http://agrillife.org/d124h/4-h-event/election-convention>. Every candidate must complete the Officer Candidacy Filing Form online which includes three sections:

- a) Candidate Information - relevant personal information
- b) Candidacy Information – office of candidacy, statement of candidacy, upload one-page resume (pdf), upload photo (jpg)
- c) Candidacy Verification & Certification – verify eligibility requirements, age, and 4-H Member ID# (from 4-H Online), and parent information.

The Statement of Candidacy is limited to 250 words (+/- 3,000 characters) and should explain in the candidate's own words why they are running for office and why they feel they should be elected. A single-page resume must also be uploaded as part of the filing process. It must be in PDF format before being uploaded. In addition, a photo must be uploaded in JPG format. It should be a head/shoulder shot such as a school photo. No candid photos or snapshots please. The photo should be a good quality image that is hi-res and printable.

Please keep in mind that the candidates:

1. Must be eligible to run for office based on the Election Code and Standing Rules.
 2. May campaign at upcoming district events provided they submit a request via e-mail to the District Office and comply with the Election Code.
 3. Must set up a leadership exhibit at the Election Convention focusing on their current year's leadership and community service. Only a standard sized "science board" (trifold) can be used to display all candidate information using only one side of the display. Candidates must dedicate panel space (3-panels) as follows:
 - a. 1 panel – Personal Information
 - b. 1 panel – Leadership through 4-H
 - c. 1 panel – Community Service through 4-H
 4. All information must be attached to the board. The exhibit should be placed on the designated table, no other form of display will be permitted, and nothing will be allowed on tables except the boards. No candies, gum or other "Gimme's" will be permitted. Candidates may provide a printed handout, business card, or other form of printed materials with prior approval. The Election Convention Committee will monitor compliance. All candidates and county staff present will be responsible for removing their exhibit after the election. Candidates should dress for success at the Election Convention. Gentlemen should wear slacks, shirts, a tie and dress shoes. Ladies should wear dress, skirt or slacks with an appropriate blouse/shirt and dress shoes. Denim, tennis shoes, dirty boots/shoes, or flip-flops are not appropriate. All dresses should be clean and neatly pressed.
4. 4-H'ers interested in running for office are not required (for 2023) to attend one District 4-H Council Meeting.

Voting Delegates & Alternate Delegates:

Each county must submit online via the District 4-H website the Voter Registration Application form for each delegate by the deadline of Tuesday, June 6, 2023 to include two delegates and two alternates. Photos are NOT required for delegates, however, they will need to enter their 4-H Member ID#, so have that available before completing the online forms. Delegates must meet membership and age requirements as stated in the Standing Rules (7th grade or higher of the current 4-H year). All delegates will receive a voter registration card which they must present at the Convention along with any form of ID.

Election Judges:

As part of the District 12 4-H Election Code, which governs the conduct of the election process, there is a stipulation that allows for the appointment of an Election Judge. The incumbent Council officers may appoint an election judge(s). Council Officers agreed to extend this role in a more formal setting than onsite appointments. To be considered for any of these roles during the Election Convention, 4-H members must complete and submit the online application by June 6th. The appointed positions and duties are as follows:

- Ombudsman – Oversees the election process to include canvassing the votes
- Observer – Oversees and monitors the ballot boxes, voting booths, and/or collection of ballots
- Registrar – Confirms registered voters and distributes the ballots to each registered voter

Judges must meet requirements stipulated in Section 2.0 and 3.0 of the District 12 4-H Council Election Code to be considered.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Friday, June 16, 2023

KC Hall #3389, 320 E. General Cavazos Blvd., Kingsville, Texas

12:00 p	Candidate Booth/Display Setup
12:30 p	Registration & Check-in (Delegates, Members, Guests)
1:00 p	Opening Ceremony
1:30 p	Keynote Address
1:45 p	Introduction of Candidates & Candidate Speeches
2:45 p	Candidate Town Hall (Impromptu Questions & Responses)
3:15 p	Delegate Networking
3:30 p	Introduction of Election Judges & Election Procedures
3:45 p	Voting & Runoff Elections
4:15 p	Installation of 2023-2024 District 12 4-H Council Officers



POP-A-TOP



CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

To the following 4-H Clubs for their participation in the Pull tab project benefiting Ronald McDonald House Charities for Driscoll Children's Hospital.

- 1st place: Country Wranglers 4-H Club 52.88 lbs.
- 2nd place: Santa Gertrudis 4-H Club 9.18 lbs.
- 3rd place: Animal Round-up 4-H Club 4.61 lbs.
- 4th place: Ricardo Jack Rabbits 4-H Club 3.56 lbs.
- 5th place: Sarita Vaqueros 4-H Club 3.35 lbs.



*Country Wranglers 4-H Club will be provided with Pizza Party at their next scheduled meeting.



Kleberg-Kenedy County 2023



State Livestock Validation Dates

STATE FAIR LAMB/GOAT/SWINE STEER & HEIFER



June 22nd & 26th, 2023
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

(specific date/time will be emailed to families)

TAMUK Animal Science Pavillion



LAMB/GOAT/HEIFER

Monday, October 23, 2023
4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Riviera FFA Barn



SWINE

Saturday, November 11, 2023
8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Kingsville FFA Farm
(tentative)





4-H Highlight



Congratulations to the Livestock Judging Team at District 12 4-H Livestock Judging Contest!

District 12 results:

Junior Division:

1st place team overall (Mollie McManus, Mikaela Hinojosa, Camila Hinojosa, Cade Baker, Marcos Martinez)

Mollie McManus- 2nd place cattle

Mikaela Hinojosa- 2nd place swine

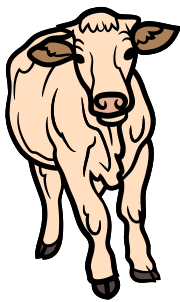
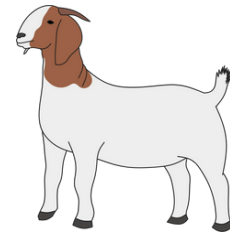
Intermediate Division:

3rd place team overall (Adan De La Cruz, Jaycee Collins, Adriana Hinojosa)

Adan De La Cruz- 2nd highpoint individual, 1st place cattle

Senior Division:

6th place team overall (Cambell Radford, Jacob Moya, Tanner Ewers, Lazaro Reyna)





**2022-2023
Kleberg- Kenedy County 4-H Club Information**

Animal Round-Up 4-H	Leigh Coufal	(361) 720-2225	TBA	TBA	Contact Manager
Country Wranglers 4-H	Christina Titus	(361) 522-7707	2nd Sunday	7:00 PM	Ricardo Baptist Church
Douglas Youth 4-H	Rhonda Mathis	(361) 720-8601	2nd Tuesday	5:30 PM	Douglas Youth Center
Lil Bit of Everything 4-H	Victoria Guevara	(361) 522-1869	3rd Sunday	3:00 PM	Riviera VFD
	Crystal Jimenez	(361) 455-2570			
Lone Star 4-H	Stacie Ewers	(361) 522-7421	2nd Tuesday	6:30 PM	184 E CR 2120, Kingsville
Outdoor Country 4-H	Jennifer Alexander	(361) 455-6053	3rd Sunday	3:00 PM	347 Brenda Lane
Ricardo JackRabbits 4-H	Elias Arredondo	(361) 449-0987	1st Sunday	4:00 PM	Ricardo Jackrabbits Headquarters 232 W CR 2163
Ricardo Lucky Leaf 4-H	Carmen Tankersley	(361) 455-0106	2nd Monday	6:30 PM	Ricardo School Cafeteria
	Leslie Cortez	(361) 228-3995			
Santa Gertrudis 4-H	Jackie Guerrero	(361) 765-6861	2nd Monday	5:30 PM	Santa Gertrudis School Cafeteria/Zoom
Sarita Vaqueros 4-H	Leroy Salinas	(361) 296-5110	1st Sunday	2:00 PM	Sarita School Cafeteria
South Texas Junior Leaders 4-H	Cynthia Bustamante	(361) 228-1288	2nd Sunday	2:00 PM	KC Hall on 14th Street/Zoom
TJLAers 4-H	Tracye Beadle	(361) 296-4667			Prospect Shows - Please contact for Date/Time/Place
Trailblazers 4-H	Melissa Green	(361) 455-1224	2nd Sunday	4:30 PM	Kleberg County Extension Office
Wild Horse Desert 4-H	Angela Bull	(361) 443-5262	3rd Sunday	4:00 PM	TBA

Updated: 02/06/2023

**2022-2023
District 12 4-H Event Planning Calendar**

Revised 9/29/2022

Event Title/Description	Event Date	Location	Information Letter Release Date	4-H Online Open/Close	Event Registration Dates
Food Show	11/12/22	Premont (Tentative)	9/25/2022	Open: 10/11/22 Close: 11/1/22	
Food Challenge	11/12/22	Premont (Tentative)	9/25/2022	Open: 10/11/22 Close: 11/1/22	
Roundup - Consumer Decision Making	11/13/22	Premont (Tentative)	9/25/2022	Open: 10/11/22 Close: 11/1/22	
Shooting Sports Modified 600 & 3-D Archery Match	12/3/22	Benavides	10/25/2022	Open: 10/31/22 Close: 11/22/22	
Fashion Sensation - Fashion Storyboard	1/12/23	--- Virtual ---	10/25/2022	Open: 12/21/22 Close: 1/10/23	
Roundup - Horse Judging	2/13/23	San Antonio	10/25/2022	Open: 11/1/22 Close: 12/1/22	
Shooting Sports - Postal League	3/1/23	--- Local ---	12/15/2022	Open: 2/1/23 Close: 2/21/23	
Shooting Sports Trap, Skeet & WhizBang Shoot	3/25/23	Laredo (Tentative)	1/25/2023	Open: 2/21/23 Close: 3/14/23	
Photography	4/1-10/23	--- Virtual ---	1/25/2023	Open: 2/28/23 Close: 3/21/23	
Fashion Sensation - Fashion Show, Duds-to-Dazzle, Natural Fiber	4/1/23	Three Rivers (Tentative)	1/25/2023	Open: 2/28/23 Close: 3/21/23	
Roundup - Educational Presentations +	4/1/23	Three Rivers (Tentative)	1/25/2023	Open: 2/28/23 Close: 3/21/23	
Roundup - Livestock Judging	4/13/23	Alice (Tentative)	2/25/2023	Open: 3/14/23 Close: 4/4/23	
Shooting Sports 3-P & Silhouette Rifle Match	4/22/23	Benavides	2/25/2023	Open: 3/21/23 Close: 4/11/23	
Leadership Lab	6/13-16/23	Kingsville (Tentative)	4/25/2023	Open: 5/1/23 Close: 5/31/23	
Election Convention Candidacy, Voter Registration & Election	6/16/23	Kingsville (Tentative)	4/15/2023	Open: 5/16/23 Close: 6/6/23	
Record Book Judging	7/11/23	--- Virtual ---	5/25/2023	Open: 6/13/23 Close: 7/6/23	
Council Officers' Retreat	7/28-30/23	TBD	7/1/2023	Open: 6/28/23 Close: 7/14/23	

EVERY EFFORT WAS MADE TO AVOID FRIDAY OR MONDAY DATES*

2022-2023

Publish Date: 9/29/2022 by LHS

HILL COUNTRY LIVESTOCK SKILL-A-THON CONTEST

Kendall County Youth Ag and Equestrian Center

648 FM 289,
Comfort, TX 78013

CONTEST CLASSES

- Livestock Equipment ID
- Livestock Breed ID
- Retail Meat Cut ID
- Feed Sample ID
- Hay Judging Class
- Wool Judging Class
- Retail Meat Judging Class
- Quality Assurance Quiz
- Industry Quiz
- Team Exercise (Seniors Only)

MAY 15th
4:30PM



TEXAS A&M
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General Rules

- Any 4-H or FFA member is eligible.
- Contest will follow Texas 4-H Guidelines.
- Age divisions (As of August 2023)
 - Junior (3rd-5th grade)
 - Intermediate (6th-8th grade)
 - Senior (9th-12th grade)
- Scantron Provided (unless you do onsite registration) (Meat Skill-a-thon Form #480-5b))
- Awards will be given for Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions as individuals and teams.

Registration Details

\$40 per team/ \$15 Individual

Registration due on JudgingCard.com by April 28th.

****Onsite registration will be excepted however you will need to bring your own scantron.

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.

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TEXAS SHEEP AND GOAT EXPO YOUTH PROGRAM



Hands-on learning, focusing on SKILLATHON TOPICS, from industry experts including Dr. Shawn Ramsey, TAMU - Animal Science, Marty Vahlenkamp, CEA - Runnels County, Marty Gibbs, DEA - West Central District, and Whitney Whitsel, Extension Associate - Youth Sheep and Goat Program

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Like our Facebook pages to stay up to date on registration and program information.



Texas Sheep and Goat Expo

Texas Youth Sheep and Goat Program



SAVE THE DATE

AUGUST 19, 2023

1ST COMMUNITY SPUR ARENA
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

TEXAS 4-H

DIGITAL STORYBOARD

CONTEST

REGISTRATION
AVAILABLE
MAY 1ST-15TH



REGISTER ON
4-H ONLINE

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2023 Cattle Raisers Roundup

July 24-28, 2023

Travel across the state to see how beef moves from pasture to plate. This immersive program will give you a front-row seat at ranches, feedyards, research institutions, veterinary clinics, processing facilities, and more.

- Networking with industry leaders
- Visiting state of the art facilities
- Gaining all-around industry experience



Scan QR Code
for more information

Applications due May 15, 2023.



For questions, contact Tyler Schuster (817) 916-1753 or email tschuster@tscra.org

Accepting Now!

WORKSHOP PROPOSALS

Priority Deadline:
May 15



http://www.4hvcoss.com/
National 4-H Volunteer Conference
September 28 - October 1, 2023

