

HALE COUNTY 4-H
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HALE COUNTY 4-H

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October 2021

Welcome to the 2021-2022 4-H Year!

ENROLLMENT OPENS: Sunday, August 15th (Those entering 3rd grade must wait until September 1st)

COST (must pay by credit/debit card):

- \$25 from August 15th-October 31
- \$30 from November 1st until the end of 4-H year
- Clover Kids are free.

Go to 4HOnline to enroll - <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>.

- If you are re-enrolling, please update your profile.
DO NOT CREATE A NEW PROFILE.
- If you are a NEW member, you will need to setup a new profile. The new program is mobile friendly and is compatible with all internet browsers except Internet Explorer.

If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Banda at 291-5270.

4-H Parent & Volunteer Screening

COST (must pay by credit/debit card): \$10

Following Texas 4-H guidelines, **any parent or volunteer who will be working with the youth or transporting youth must enroll on 4HOnline to be screened.** If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Banda at 291-5270.



Running Water Draw Concession Stand

4-H will have the concession stand at the Running Water Draw Arts and Crafts Festival Friday, October 15th to Sunday October 17th. 4-Hers and leaders from all 4-H clubs are needed to work. We must have an adult in the concession stand at each shift.

To sign up for the concession stand:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1O-rqcebeJN53DqqLjSHrQL3g-CBZFiZBlagWXegFl_o/edit?usp=sharing

Remember you must work 2 hours in the concession stand to earn your points at the end of the year. For each additional 2-hour shift, you receive 5 points.

Club Managers, please make sure each club brings drinks and your families signup to work a shift. Each club will need to donate the following for the concession stand (1 case=12 pack):

Abernathy: 6 cases Dr Pepper
Horse Club: 3 cases Diet Coke

Cotton Center: 3 cases Sprite
Plainview: 5 cases Coke

All drinks need to be delivered to the Extension Office by Wednesday, October 13th.

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JOIN THE CLUB

Abernathy 4-H Clover Kids Club

WHEN: Thursday, September 30th at 3:30 p.m.

WHERE: South Plains Fair

WHAT: Tour South Plains Fair & See Shirts

CLUB MANAGERS: Ginger Moore & Brandi Holder

Abernathy 4-H Club

WHEN: Tuesday, October 12th at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Abernathy Elementary Cafeteria

WHAT: Game Warden & OGT Trailer

CLUB MANAGERS: Stephanie Allen & Carolyn Curry

Cotton Center 4-H Club

WHEN: Tuesday, October 12th at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Abernathy Elementary School

WHAT: Game Warden & OGT Trailer

CLUB MANAGER: Christina Metzler

Hale County 4-H Horse Club

WHEN: Thursday, October 7th at TBA

WHERE: Paws Adoption

CLUB MANAGERS: Kelley Bozeman, Sherrie Cheyne,
& Lisa Wright

Plainview 4-H Clover Kids Club

WHEN: Monday, October 11th at 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Garland Street Church of Christ

CLUB MANAGER: Beverly Wall

Plainview 4-H Club

WHEN: Monday, October 11th at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Garland Street Church of Christ

CLUB MANAGER: Crystal Davenport

Petersburg 4-H Project Club

WHEN: TBA

WHERE: Petersburg High School Ag Classroom

REMEMBER: ALL MEMBERS HAVE TO ENROLL ON 4-H ONLINE AND PAY THE MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$25 IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY 4-H ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING SHOOTING SPORTS AND/OR SHOWING LIVESTOCK. PARENTS AND ADULTS NEED TO REGISTER IF THEY PLAN TO VOLUNTEER.

****YOU MUST RE-ENROLL EVERY YEAR!****

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This will be a great way to keep updated on what is going on in Hale County 4-H!



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****If you have anything for next month's newsletter, please get it to the office by Wednesday, October 27th by 4:00 p.m.!****

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♦ ♦ TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER ♦ ♦

Grilling Games

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, October 16th at 8:00 a.m. at Patterson Park in Wolfforth

4-HONLINE: Opens October 1st & Closes October 6th at 12:00 p.m.

LEADER: Audra Guess

Food Challenge

DISTRICT CONTEST: Monday, November 8th at Mallet Event Center in Levelland

4-HONLINE: Opens October 11th & Closes October 20th at 12:00 p.m.

LEADER: Audra Guess

Food Show

COUNTY CONTEST: Monday, November 15th at 6:00 p.m. at Garland Street Church of Christ

HOST CLUB: Plainview

COUNTY CONTEST ENTRY DEADLINE: Entry & Recipe due by Monday, November 1st at 9:00 a.m.

<https://counties.agrilife.org/hale/4-h/foodshow/>

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, December 11th at 8:30 a.m. at Sundown ISD

4-HONLINE: Opens November 15th & Closes November 18th at 12:00 p.m.

LEADER: Audra Guess

FCH Bowl (formerly Nutrition Quiz Bowl)

If you are interested in participating, contact Audra Guess by Tuesday, October 19th.

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, December 11th at 10:15 a.m. at Sundown ISD

4-HONLINE: Opens November 15th & Closes November 18th at 12:00 p.m.

LEADER: Audra Guess

Livestock Quiz Bowl

If you are interested in participating, contact Audra Guess by Tuesday, October 19th.

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, December 11th at 10:15 a.m. at Sundown ISD

4-HONLINE: Opens November 15th & Closes November 18th at 12:00 p.m.

LEADER: Audra Guess (Plainview) & Andy Hart (Abernathy)

Horse Quiz Bowl

If you are interested in participating, contact Audra Guess by Tuesday, October 19th.

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, December 11th at 10:15 a.m. at Sundown ISD

4-HONLINE: Opens November 15th & Closes November 18th at 12:00 p.m.

LEADER: Carolyn Curry & Samara Reed

Consumer Decision Making (CDM)

If you are interested in participating, contact Audra Guess by Tuesday, October 19th.

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, December 11th at 1:00 p.m. at Sundown ISD

4-HONLINE: Opens November 15th & Closes November 18th at 12:00 p.m.

LEADER: Audra Guess

For more information on these contests/events, contact Audra Guess at 291-5270 or audra.guess@ag.tamu.edu.

Running Water Draw Promote 4-H Booth

4-H will have the concession stand and a Promote 4-H Booth at the Running Water Draw Arts and Crafts Festival Friday, October 15th to Sunday, October 17th. 4-Hers and leaders from all 4-H clubs are needed to work both of these booths. We must have an adult in the concession stand and at the booth at each shift. If you have any questions, contact the office at 291-5270.

Festival Times

Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Running Water Draw Booths

All 4-Hers will have the opportunity to sell tickets for these non-profit organizations during the RWD Arts & Crafts Show. You may help at these booths any time during the weekend. These non-profit booths will be located throughout the show.

Hale County 4-H

Silver Star Room

Keep Plainview Beautiful

FISH

Chairman: Sterling Berry

Chairmen: Hagen & Colson Pate

Chairman: Campbell Offield

Chairmen: Rylie & Harmony Morales

Dare to Believe Fundraiser

Chairman: Rachel Walden

4-Hers will be selling raffle tickets for a Kenneth Wyatt picture at Running Water Draw Arts & Crafts Festival. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the Dare to Believe food pantry.

Save the Date

Running Water Draw 4-H Shooting Sports Safety Meetings

ONLY TWO SAFETY MEETINGS FOR EACH DISCIPLINE!!!!

WHAT: All Disciplines

WHEN: Sunday, January 23rd at 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: St. Paul Fellowship Hall (901 Oakland St., Plainview)

WHAT: Rifle (Second Meeting)

WHEN: Tuesday, January 25th at 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Guns Up Range



WHAT: Archery (Second Meeting)

Tuesday, March 29th at 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Guns Up Range



WHAT: Shotgun (Second Meeting)

WHEN: TBA

WHERE: TBA



City of Plainview Landfill Tour

Chairmen: Kolt & Kleat Barrett

WHEN: Wednesday, October 27th at 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: City of Plainview Landfill (1031 CR Y)

All 4-Hers are encouraged to come and learn what happens to the solid waste in Plainview. Brocke Lively, solid waste superintendent, will give the tour. For more information, contact Beverly Wall at 774-1040.

One Day 4-H

Chairmen: Callie Davenport & Hanna Bozeman

WHO: Hale County 4-H Horse Club, Plainview 4-H Club, & Plainview Clover Kids Club

WHEN: Saturday, October 9th at 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Garland Street Church of Christ



Candy for Stockings for Troops

Chairman: Sterling Berry

Please bring bags of individually wrapped candy to your local club meeting or to Hale County Extension Office by Wednesday, November 3rd. This candy will be put in Christmas stockings and shipped to troops stationed overseas. (Remember Halloween candy goes on sale November 1st and is perfect for the stockings.)

South Plains Fair Entries

Entries may be picked up at the Extension Office starting Monday, October 11th.

4-H County Council & Parent/Adult Leaders Association Meeting

WHEN: Monday, November 1st at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Hale County Extension Office

We will be discussing the Hale County Stock Show Concession Stand and other important topics.

WANT TO SHOWCASE YOUR PROJECT?

Write about your project (& add educational info)
& send to Audra (audra.guess@ag.tamu.edu) to
be featured in the newsletter.
(These are some examples. All projects are welcome.)



Outdoor Education



Fashion & Interior Design



Horticulture



Food & Nutrition



Photography



4-H Livestock Projects, Reminders & Results



Sheep & Goat

Validation



October 17th

County-wide sheep and goat validation has been set for
Sunday, October 17, 2021 from 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
at the Abernathy Ag Farm.

Exhibitors showing at county and major shows must have
their animals validated by this date. PLEASE BE PROMPT!

County, Major Stock Show & Contest Sign-ups

WHEN: Tuesday, November 2nd

TIME: 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: Abernathy High School Ag Shop

WHEN: Wednesday, November 3rd

TIME: 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (office will be open during lunch hour)

WHERE: Hale County Extension Office

Please note parents and exhibitors do not need to attend both sign-up dates. **Only attend the date which works best for your schedule or come by the Hale County Extension office during business hours to sign-up before the 4th.** If you have any questions, please contact Andy Hart at 806-291-5270.

DON'T FORGET

- Exhibitor's Social Security Number
- Exhibitor's Quality Counts Number
 - Quality Counts verification is required to attend spring major stock shows.
 - Exhibitors must be verified once as a Junior (grades 3-5), once as an Intermediate (grades 6-8), and once as a Senior (grades 9-12).
- Parent/Guardian - Signatures are required.
- Registration Papers - Please bring a copy.
- Payment Options - Venmo, Check, Exact Cash
- All entries MUST be paid for that day.

4-H Enrollment & Quality Counts

Verification Deadline: Monday, October 25th by 10:00 a.m.



4-H Enrollment: Verifies you are an active member of 4-H. Exhibitors must have an active member status on 4HOnline before exhibiting at any show as well as receive excused absences for school.

Quality Counts: Verifies you have completed the course and passed the exam. Verification is required for State Fair of Texas, Heart O' Texas, and all major livestock show entries. (Contest entries are excluded.)

The course is focused on quality assurance and character education. It is designed to teach exhibitors the importance of displaying good character in carrying out livestock projects and in every aspect of their lives, as well as learn the importance of using proper livestock management practices to preserve food quality and safety.

There are two steps to become Quality Counts verified - complete the course and pass the exam.

1. The course will take approximately 2 hours to complete; however, you may leave and come back to the course using the Return Link (must keep email with link).
2. Once the course is finished, you will proceed to the exam. This must be completed once you start it, but you can take it as many times as needed to achieve 80% or higher.

Once passed, your verified Quality Counts number is ready for livestock show entries!

Exhibitors must be verified once per grade level division (Junior - grades 3-5; Intermediate - grades 6-8; Senior - grades 9-12), not each year.

Go to the Quality Counts website to enroll: <https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx>

- Mozilla Firefox is strongly recommended.

- It is very important to choose BOTH your 4-H and FFA chapter regardless of which you think you will show through.

Don't forget to enroll on 4-HOnline to become a 4-H member!

Enrollment Deadline: Monday, October 25th by 10:00 a.m.

Upcoming Physical Validations

Validation is proof of ownership as required by stock shows in Texas. It does not automatically enter exhibitors in a livestock show.

Heifer - Schedule with Andy by October 19th

Swine - November TBA

Meat Judging

DISTRICT CONTEST: Thursday, November 18th at 2:00 p.m. at Texas Tech University

4-HONLINE: Opens November 1st & Closes November 10th at 12:00 p.m.

LEADER: Wendy Woerner



Preparation is Key to a Successful Swine Project

Many things factor in when we consider what a successful swine project is. You must first prepare your facility and set goals, and then selection is extremely important. General health, a consistent feeding and exercise program and showmanship are all huge factors as well.

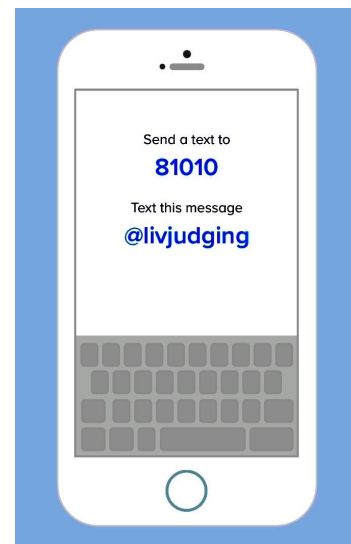
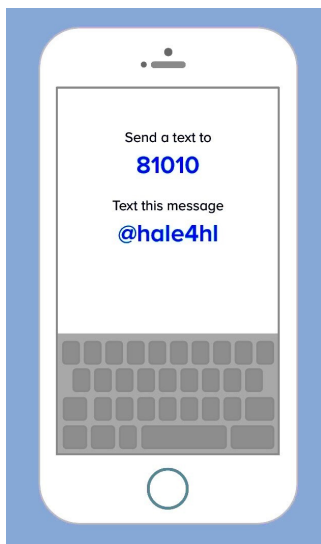
Be sure you have a plan going into the project. Make certain that your facility is a place that is clean, warm and dry. Be sure you have good ventilation and access to fresh clean water. Concrete or dirt/sand work fine and there are advantages to both. If you plan to show white hogs, make sure the animals will be in the shade. You can contact the office for more advice on facilities.

One thing you should consider is finding someone you know or trust to be a sounding board for the duration of the project. This person can be a family member, friend, industry professional, ag teacher or county agent. The main thing is that you're comfortable with them and they have a working knowledge of the swine project. This mentor can be there to answer questions and get you through tough situations that can be extremely challenging. We all learn by doing and that is what this project is for, but having someone to lean on will make your swine project more enjoyable and successful. Please make sure that you decide on one main person to help with your project. There are many qualified individuals available, but there are many different ways to approach the project as well. If you start to mix several different methods, odds are it will create a problem.

Pigs are more like people than many of us realize! Plan on setting a routine for feeding, cleaning, brushing etc. Of course, everyone believes that their schedule works the best, truth be known, consistency is the key. Talk with everyone involved and make a schedule that works for you. Remember, this is a family project, it takes more than one person to get the best results. There will be more to come later on feeding and general health.

Remind Texts for Livestock

Sign up for texts through Remind if you show livestock and participate in Livestock Judging.



If you have any questions or need any assistance with your livestock projects, including purchasing and feeding, please contact Andy Hart at 806-291-5270.

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If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Audra Guess, Andy Hart, or Shawnte Clawson at the Hale County Extension Office at least two weeks prior to the program or event.

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October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 4-HOnline Opens: D. Grilling Games	2
3	4	5	6 4-HOnline Closes at 12:00 p.m.: D. Grilling Games	7 TBA-Horse Club	8	9
10	11 6:00 p.m.-Plainview Clover Kids 6:30 p.m.-Plainview 4-HOnline Opens: D. Food Challenge	12 6:30 p.m.-Abernathy & Cotton Center	13	14	15	16 D. Grilling Games
17 2:00 p.m.-Sheep & Goat Validation	18	19 Interest due for Quiz Bowls & CDM Heifer Validation Scheduled with Andy due	20 4-HOnline Closes at 12:00 p.m.: D. Food Challenge	21	22	23
24	25 Quality Counts & 4-HOnline Enrollment due	26	27	28	29	30
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