



CAMERON COUNTY 4-H NEWSDAY

The official monthly newsletter of the Cameron County 4-H Program

January Issue

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“The magic in new beginnings is truly the most powerful of them all.” – Josiyah Martin

We hope you had a wonderful holiday season with your loved ones and are energized to tackle another year. Let's strive to achieve our goals and become exemplary leaders together!

If you ever need assistance, the Cameron County Extension Office is here to help. Stay informed about our latest activities and programs by reading our newsletter, joining our Remind group, and following us on social media.

Please do not hesitate to call us at (956) 361-8236, we are always eager to help however we can.

Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Analisa Sanchez 

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Cameron County 4-H

January

4-H Updates

- (1/9) D12 FASHION SHOW STORY BOARD
- (1/12 - 2/3) FORT WORTH STOCK SHOW AND RODEO
- (1/15) EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED
- (1/16) CC - COUNCIL MEETING
- (1/16) RECORD BOOK TRAINING
- (1/19) CC - ROUND UP

February

- (2/2) CC - FASHION SHOW CONTEST
- (2/7) CC- PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST
- (2/8- 25) SAN ANTONIO STOCK SHOW AND RODEO
- (2/12) D12 HORSE JUDGING CONTEST
- (2/19) EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED
- (2/15 - 18) CAMERON COUNTY FAIR AND LIVESTOCK SHOW
- (2/20) CC - COUNCIL MEETING



Christmas - Holiday Help

Our Cameron Co. 4-Hers transformed into Santa's little helpers to spread some holiday cheer this holiday by delivering goodies to the RGV Credit Union's "Gifts for Teens" drive. We are so grateful to all our 4-Hers and clubs who generously donated to make this holiday season special for our community!



4-H Updates

Cameron County 4-H

ROUND UP

Deadline to register: January 13th
Contest date: January 19th

Educational Presentation

The 4-H educational presentation highlights expertise in a project area using aids such as media presentations, props, or posters for the categories below.

- Agricultural Technology/ Farm Safety
- Animal Science
- Beef
- Health & Wellness
- Horse
- Ag & Natural Resources
- Family & Community Health
- Promote 4-H
- Safety & Injury Prevention

Public Speaking

Individuals will present a 5 to 7 minute talk suitable as a platform speech or radio broadcast. The presentation should serve to persuade others regarding a particular issue or concern. Props and visual aids are not permitted, and recordings of any type may not be used. Contestants should be prepared to answer questions concerning the subject matter of their presentation.

Talent Show

4-H members can participate in a competitive event related to Theater and Performance Arts, promoting self-confidence, broad-based recreation, talent discovery, social and cultural growth, and leadership skills development. The contest includes various categories such as choreographed routines, dramedy, poetry/prose, vocal, celebrate 4-H, musical/instrumental, and solo/band.

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Cameron County 4-H Roundup

Join us on January 19th at the Cowboy Church of the Valley for our Cameron County 4-H Roundup! The registration deadline is January 13th at 5 pm, click the register now to sign up!

 **REGISTER NOW**



Record Book Training

Register now for our Record Book Training on January 16th, hosted by our D12 4-H Specialist, Grace Marshall!

 **REGISTER NOW**

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RECORD BOOK TRAINING

JANUARY 16, 2024
EXTENSION OFFICE
5:45 PM

hosted by Grace Marshall, D12 4-H Specialist

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CCFLS AND RGVLS ENTRY DEADLINES

If you are interested in participating in the Cameron County Fair and Livestock Show and the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, please make sure the applications are submitted online by the deadlines!

Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show

- Online registration is open from November 1st - January 15th.
- Register here: <https://valley.fairwire.com>
- Any questions about accounts or online entries, please contact Terri Kotzur at terri@rgvls.com / (956)565-2456

2024 RGVLS Premium - [Click Here](#)

Cameron County Fair and Livestock Show

- Online registration is open from December 1st - January 15th.
- Register here: <https://ccfls.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/19536>
- Any questions about accounts or online entries, please contact Rebecca Goad at becca.goad@gmail.com.

2024 CCFLS Premium - [Click Here](#)



District/State

4-H Updates



"Dream"


District 12 4-H Storyboard Contest

Contact your County Extension Agent to see how to register!

Registration Opened: December 20, 2023

Registration Closes: January 9, 2024

Check out d124-h.tamu.edu/4-h-event/fashion-show/ for more info.

RSNC

4-H/Beginner Class Clinic and Round Robin

JOIN US TO LEARN ABOUT SORTING AND PREPARE FOR THE STATE COMPETITION

COME AND LEARN ABOUT HOW TO COMPETE IN THE AMAZING SPORT OF CATTLE SORTING. RIDERS WILL LEARN TECHNIQUES OF HOW TO ACCURATELY AND QUICKLY GET CATTLE FROM ONE PEN TO ANOTHER IN 60 SECONDS OR LESS. A ROUND ROBIN WILL FOLLOW THE CLINIC, GIVING RIDERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO RIDE TOGETHER TO PRACTICE THE SKILLS THEY LEARNED.

DURING THE CLINIC RIDERS WILL LEARN VALUABLE HORSEMANSHIP SKILLS.

COST: \$25 (FOR CATTLE COST AND SANCTION FEES)


TIME: 10AM SATURDAY JAN. 13TH

**LOCATION: COWBOY CHURCH OF THE VALLEY ARENA
11235 SWIFT LANE
SANTA ROSA, TX**


OPEN TO KIDS AND ADULTS (MUST BRING A HORSE)

FREE MEMBERSHIP TO THE RSNC GROUP TO ALL 4-H AND FFA MEMBERS

PLEASE RSVP BY JAN 6TH SO WE CAN MAKE SURE WE HAVE ENOUGH CATTLE FOR ALL INTEREST



Questions? Please call:
Tracy O'Loughlin
956-463-9662



This is an RSNC sanctioned event. All announcements day of the show supersede printed material.



Texas 4-H Development District 12
2401 E. Highway 83
Weslaco, Texas 78596
USA 956-968-5581

2024 District 12 4-H Shooting Sports Postal League Match

Expanding Shooting Sports Opportunities for 4-H members in South Texas



Smallbore Rifle

- District 12 4-H Shooting Sports Guiding Principles, Texas
- 4-H Smallbore 3-P Rules & NRA Smallbore Rifle Rules
- 50R 3-Position Format w/ Orion 12-Bull Target (provided)
- 3-P for Seniors & Intermediates, 1-P for Juniors
- Senior, Intermediate, & Junior Divisions
- Team & Individual Awards

Shotgun

- District 12 4-H Shooting Sports Guiding Principles, Texas
- 4-H Shotgun Rules, & ATA/NSA Rules
- 2 Events: Trap & Skeet (no combined H&K)
- Senior, Intermediate, & Junior Divisions
- Individual Awards

Smallbore Pistol

- District 12 4-H Smallbore Pistol Rules, Texas 4-H Pistol Rules & NRA Int'l Pistol Rules
- 15yd 3-Stage Format (Slow, Timed, Rapid) w/ NRA B-8 Pistol Targets (provided)
- Senior, Intermediate, & Junior Divisions
- Individual Awards

Archery

- District 12 4-H Shooting Sports Guiding Principles
- 18m Indoor FITA Match Format (10 ends of 3), 9m for 1st yr)
- Target Faces provided (1 per archer)
- Barebow/Recurve/NASP - 60cm targets (5-color)
- Compound Aided/Unaided - 40cm targets (5-color)
- Senior, Intermediate, Junior, & 1st Year Junior Divisions
- Barebow/Recurve/NASP Genesis/Compound Aided & Unaided
- Individual Awards

Registration Period:
January 26 - February 20, 2024

Match Period:
March 1 - March 31, 2024

Rules, Guidelines & Match Information
<http://d124-h.tamu.edu>



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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Are you looking to run as a District 12 4-H Council Officer in 2024? Be sure to check out the new Standing Rules for running to be an officer!

There are changes to the application process that you do not want to miss!

D124-h.tamu.edu



TEXAS 4-H SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS



OPENS NOVEMBER 1

Program changes and tips for 2023-2024:

- Collegiate Scholarships will not be given out in 2024.
 - Available Scholarships will be Baccalaureate, Technical, and Courageous Heart.
- FASFA will not open until December! Encourage youth to apply for their FASFA as soon as it opens!
- Do **not** submit applications before fall grades have been added to the transcript!
- Once submitted, **no updates** will be allowed
- All applications must be submitted through the Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship Portal, you can find the link [HERE](#)
- Remember to use an email you will have access to after graduating high school.
- CEA's will not be using a verification form, you will receive a list of applications submitted by the deadline for approval and eligibility.
- ACT and SAT is not required again this year for the 4-H Opportunity Scholarship.

4-H Updates

>>> TEXAS FARM BUREAU SCHOLARSHIPS

DUE MARCH 1, 2024

Applications for all TFB scholarships are open for submission. TFB awards over \$240,000 each year to graduating high school seniors and enrolled college students. Applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on March 1, 2024.

Winners will be accounted by May 2024. Information on how to apply for the scholarship is available by clicking [here](#).

For questions related to scholarships, contact youthactivities@tffb.org or call 254.751.2258.

2024 Texas Farm Bureau

PHOTO CONTEST



ENTER BY JUNE 1

Must be a Texas Farm Bureau member to enter
Details at texasfarmbureau.org/photo-contest



2024



CENTRAL TEXAS 4-H INVITATIONAL CDM CONTEST

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024

THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF GATESVILLE
2533 E MAIN ST, GATESVILLE, TX 76528
8:30 AM REGISTRATION
9:00 AM CONTEST ORIENTATION

AGE DIVISIONS:

- JUNIOR: 3-5 GRADE
- INTERMEDIATE: 6-8 GRADE
- SENIOR: 9-12 GRADE

ORAL REASONS:

- JR: NO
- INT: 1 SET
- SR: 2 SETS

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JAN 16TH

TEAM: \$40
INDIVIDUAL: \$10

LATE REGISTRATION WILL BE AVAILABLE
UNTIL THE MORNING OF THE CONTEST FOR \$60 PER TEAM AND \$20 PER INDIVIDUAL.

SCANTRONS WILL BE PROVIDED

AWARDS IN EACH DIVISION:

- TOP FIVE INDIVIDUALS
- TOP 3 TEAMS
- Scholarships for High Point Senior Individuals

REGISTER HERE:



MAIL REGISTRATION PAYMENT TO: MILAM COUNTY 4-H
806 N CROCKETT AVENUE, CAMERON, TX 76520
PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO MILAM COUNTY 4-H

REGISTRATION AVAILABLE HERE:
<https://milam.agrilife.org/links/central-texas-consumer-invitational-contest/>

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:
CORVELL COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE AT (254) 865-2414
MILAM COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE AT (254) 605-0226



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NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW JUDGING CONTEST

JANUARY 19, 2024

**RICHARD M. BORCHARD REGIONAL
FAIRGROUNDS**
1213 TERRY SHAMSIE BLVD.
ROBSTOWN, TX 78380



Registration from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Judging begins at 4:00 p.m.

8 Classes comprised of any of the following:

Market Goats	Market Hogs
Market Steers	Market Lambs
Breeding Gilts	Breeding Does

3 Question Classes will be given
\$30.00 per team or \$10.00 per individual
(Scantrons Provided)

Junior Division - Grades 3rd - 5th
Intermediate Division - Grades 6th - 8th
Senior Division - 9th - 12th

For more information contact the
Nueces County Junior
Livestock Show Office
361-387-5395



Help Texas 4-H Fight Hunger!

**Join Texas 4-H as we support
Souper Bowl of Caring!**

4-H groups are asked to collect food and/or monetary donations for local food pantries or hunger relief organizations during January 1 - February 11, 2024. 4-H groups will organize efforts that best fit their community needs and local hunger relief agencies or food pantries. No donations will be sent outside the county....all efforts are LOCAL so you are helping the people of your county who are in need. Be creative! Think of unique ways to fill the shelves of your local food pantries!

To participate, download the official TACKLE HUNGER CHALLENGE PLAYBOOK at <https://tacklehunger.org/our-programs/souper-bowl-of-caring>

Here's how to play!

- Select your food charity
- Choose a creative way to collect donations
- Register your campaign with Tackle Hunger so you get credit for helping others
- Utilize Souper Bowl of Caring resources such as posters, PSAs, etc.
- Report your success on the website where you registered

For more information, contact: Dr. Julie Gardner
julie.gardner@ag.tamu.edu

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tacklehunger.org

2023-2024 CAMERON COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICERS

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President**



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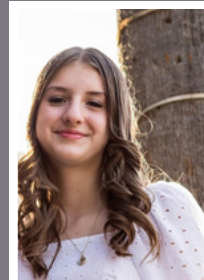
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Annalise Molina

Officer Spotlight

3rd vice
President

Name: Sophia Arellano



hello i am Sophia Karin Arellano and i am your Cameron county council 3rd vice president ; i am 15 and attend science academy of Mercedes i am active in more than one activates such as 4-H Water Ambassador, Highland Hustlers 4-H 1st, Vice President Officer, Texas 4-H Rabbit advisory Board Member, Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Rabbit Youth Committee Member, Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Youth Leadership Program, Greater South Texas Girl Scout Senior Girl Scout Troop 086, Greater South Texas Girl Scout Advisory Board Member



My hobbies

- playing electric guitar
- lifting weights
- singing
- programing





CAMERON COUNTY 4-H SCHEDULE 2023 - 2024

Note: Dates and locations are subject to change!

AUGUST

- **(8/4)** CC - 4-H AWARD INTERVIEWS
- **(8/25)** - CC 4-H AWARDS BANQUET

SEPTEMBER

- **(9/18)** CC- COUNCIL MEETING/LIVESTOCK JUDGING WORKSHOP
- **(9/23)** CC- FOOD SHOW/FOOD CHALLENGE WORKSHOP

OCTOBER

- **(10/7)** LA MUNECA FIELD DAY/ LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST
- **(10/8)** ONE DAY 4-H
- **(10/14)** CC - FOOD SHOW/FOOD CHALLENGE
- **(10/17)** HORTICULTURE TRAINING/CC- COUNCIL MEETING
- **(10/24)** LAMB AND GOAD VALIDATION

NOVEMBER

- **(11/1-2)** PATH TO PLATE
- **(11/11)** D12 ROUND UP CDM
- **(11/13)**- FORT WORTH STOCKSHOW APPLICATION DUE
- **(11/14)**- ALL MAJOR STOCKSHOW APPLICATION ARE DUE
- **(11/20)** CC - AG PRODUCT ID WORKSHOP /HOLIDAY HELP

DECEMBER

- **(12/2)** D12 MODIFIED 600 & 3D ARCHERY CONTEST
- **(12/13)** HOLIDAY HELP
- **(12/15-16)** RGVLS VEGETABLE & CITRUS SHOW (AG PRODUCT ID CONTEST)

JANUARY

- **(1/11)** D12 FASHION SHOW STORY BOARD
- **(1/16)** CC- COUNCIL MEETING /RECORD BOOK TRAINING
- **(1/19)** CC - ROUND UP

FEBRUARY

- **(2/2)** CC- FASHION SHOW CONTEST
- **(2/7)** CC- PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST
- **(2/12)** D12 HORSE JUDGING CONTEST
- **(2/20)** CC- COUNCIL MEETING
- **(2/15-18)**- CAMERON COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW

MARCH

- **(3/7-17)** RGVLS
- **(3/1-31)** D12 POSTAL LEAGUE
- **(3/24)** D12 TRAP, SKEET, & WHIZBAND SHOOT
- **(3/18)** SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS OPEN

APRIL

- **(4/2-11)**D12 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST
- **(4/6)** D12 FASHION SENSATION
- **(4/11)** D12 LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST
- **(4/15)** CC- COUNCIL MEETING & SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE
- **(4/27)** D12 3-P & SILHOUETTE RIFLE MATCH

MAY

- **(5/11)** CAMERON COUNTY AWARD INTERVIEWS
- **(5/13)** CC- COUNCIL MEETING/ ELECTIONS
- **TBD** - CAMERON COUNTY AWARDS BANQUET

JUNE

- **TBD** - TEXAS 4-H STATE ROUND UP
- **(6/11-13)** D12 LEADERSHIP LAB
- **(6/14)** D12 ELECTION CONVENTION
- **(6/18)** CC- RECORD BOOKS

JULY

- **(7/9)** D12 RECORD BOOK
- **(7/26-28)** D12 COUNCIL OFFICER RETREAT

CAMERON COUNTY 4-H

Council Meeting Dates

2023 - 2024



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- Monday - September 18th, 2023
- Tuesday - October 17th, 2023
- ★ • Monday - November 20th, 2023
- ★ • Wednesday - December 13th, 2023
- Tuesday - January 16th, 2024
- ★ • Tuesday - February 20th, 2024
- Monday - April 15th, 2024
- Monday - May 13th, 2024



★ = Holiday Help

★ = New Date

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in our conference room unless stated otherwise**

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4-HERS IN ACTION



Call for Photos!

Please send in action 4-H photos to be in the Cameron Co. Newsday! Please include name, club, and program!

analisa.sanchez@ag.tamu.edu

00:00:00

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Happy New Year



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