



PALO PINTO COUNTY 4-H

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September 2023

***** **Attention Major Show Sheep & Goat Exhibitors**
Sheep and Goat tags for major shows (Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston, San Angelo, and Austin) have already been ordered. If you did not order your tags, please contact the Extension office as soon as possible. Late tags are \$25.00 each.

9 **United Way Penny Auction** - *Volunteers are needed to help at the United Way Penny Auction that will be held at the Mineral Wells High School Cafeteria on September 9th. Both youth and adult volunteers are needed anytime between 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. to help with concessions. If you are unable to help during that time, please consider donating some soft drinks for the event. United Way of Palo Pinto County provides funds to Palo Pinto County 4-H to help support activities throughout the year. Please use the QR code below to sign up to help or to bring drinks. Thank you!!*



United Way provides support to
Palo Pinto County 4-H



17 **4-H Rifle & Pistol Mandatory Firearm Safety Class/Orientation**
This class is required for both new and returning shooters. It will begin at 2:00 p.m. at the Palo Pinto County Extension office. Please call or text Ky Carter at 817-304-7094 to register for the class.

18 **4-H Food & Nutrition Project Leader Meeting** - *This meeting is for 4-H Leaders, Parents, and Coaches. It will begin at 6:00 at the Extension office. Please RSVP to 940-659-1228 if you plan to attend.*

19 **4-H Archery Mandatory Safety Meeting** - *This meeting will be at the PPCLA Expo Building in Mineral Wells starting at 6:00 p.m.*

25 **Deadline to order Swine Tags for Major Shows** - *If you plan to show a swine project at Fort Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, Houston or Austin, contact the Extension office at 940-659-1228 to order your tag.*

26 **4-H Shotgun Mandatory Safety Meeting** - *This meeting will be held at the Brazos River Gun & Archery Club range and will start at 5:30 p.m.*

28 **Deadline to order Chicks for Major Shows** - *If you plan to show broilers at Houston, San Antonio, or Austin in 2024 please come by the Extension office on or before the 28th so we can get your order in.*

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1 **Rabbit Orders Due** - *If you plan to order a rabbit from Ronnie Lee to show at the County Stock Show, you need to have your orders in by October 1, 2023. Go to <https://palopinto.agrilife.org> to get an order form.*

2 **4-H Officer Training** - *This will be held at the Extension office in Palo Pinto from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. 4-H club officers and other members who are interested in leadership are encouraged to attend!*

7 **Annual 4-H Awards Celebration** - *We hope you can join us for food, fun, and awards presentation for the 2022-2023 4-H year. All 4-H Members in attendance will be recognized. There will be games and dancing after the awards presentation. Please RSVP to 940-659-1228 by Wednesday, September 31st if you plan to attend.*

13 OR 14 **Knife Skills & Kitchen Safety Workshop** - *This will be held at the Extension Office from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Currently enrolled 4-H members can choose which day they would like to attend. The content will be the same, so it is only necessary to attend one session. Please RSVP to 940-659-1228 by Tuesday, October 10, 2023 if you would like to attend.*

16 **Sheep & Goat Validation for County & Major Shows** - *This will be held at the EXPO Center in Mineral Wells from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. All lambs or goats that will be shown at county or major shows MUST be present to be eligible to show. County show entries will be done at this time as well. Exhibitors and parents must be there for state validation.*

16 **Broiler Entries for County Show due** - *If you would like to show chickens at the County Stock Show, you need to be at the Expo Center in Mineral Wells between 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Oct. 16th to pay for your County Show entries and order and pay for your chicks.*

16 **Heifer Validation for County and Major Shows** - *Heifers that will be showing at County or Major Shows in 2024 will need to be at the EXPO center between 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to be validated. County entries will be done at this time too. If your heifer was validated back in June and your county entry was paid, then you are NOT required to attend. Please bring heifer papers to validation.*

20 OR 21 **Knife Skills & Kitchen Safety Workshop** - *This will be held at the Extension Office from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Currently enrolled 4-H members can choose which day they would like to attend. The content will be the same, so it is only necessary to attend one session. Please RSVP to 940-659-1228 by Tuesday, October 10, 2023 if you would like to attend.*

23 **Deadline for County Food Show & Food Challenge entries** - *Please have your County Food Show and Food Challenge entries to the Extension office by Monday, October 23, 2023.*

It's Time to Enroll or Re-enroll for the New 4-H Year

We are glad that you have chosen to be apart of Texas 4-H and the Palo Pinto County 4-H program! Below is some important information about enrolling for the 2023-2024 4-H Year.

- Texas 4-H requires every 4-H youth member and volunteer leader to enroll or re-enroll each 4-H year.
- Texas 4-H has an annual participation fee for youth members of \$25.00 up to October 31, 2023, and a \$30.00 fee from November 1st to the completion of the 2023-2024 4-H year. The enrollment fee for Clover Kids (grade K-2) will be \$10.00.
- To be a 4-H member, the enrollment form and fee must be submitted and entered into the 4-H Online system. To access 4-H Online to enroll or to register for an event, please contact the Palo Pinto County Extension Office to obtain your login information.
- 4-H volunteers that work directly with youth must be screened before becoming a volunteer. The fee for volunteer enrollment each year is \$10.00, and Palo Pinto County 4-H will reimburse that fee upon request. They are then are rescreened every three years.

Attention Major Livestock Show Exhibitors

Quality Counts verification is required for all youth exhibiting livestock (market and/or breeding) at major livestock shows in Texas (including the Ft. Worth Livestock Show, San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Star of Texas Fair in Austin, San Angelo Livestock Show, Sandhills Stock Show in Odessa, State Fair of Texas in Dallas, and Heart O' Texas Fair in Waco). The verification process will require exhibitors to pass an online test with a minimum of 80%. Exhibitors only need to be verified once as a junior (grades 3-5), once as an intermediate (grades 6-8), and once again as a senior (grades 9-12). This must be completed before entering any major livestock show.

Please contact the Extension office at 940-659-1228 to get instructions.



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Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign

October 4-15, 2023

If you shop at Tractor Supply during this time, please be sure to purchase a paper clover to help support your county 4-H program. The proceeds go to help fund camps and leadership activities for 4-H'ers in Palo Pinto County throughout the year.



PALO PINTO COUNTY 4-H CLOVER KIDS

for Kids in K-2nd Grades

- 4-H Clover Kids is a FUN 4-H program for children in kindergarten through second grade.
- Children participate in hands-on activities designed to build lots of different life skills and are exposed to a variety of 4-H projects. Clover Kids are not eligible to serve as club officers, nor are they eligible to participate in activities, recognition programs, and competitive events reserved for older youth.
- The yearly participation fee to join is \$10.00.
- Parents/Guardians are asked to attend the meetings with their child.

Kick-off Meeting

Thursday, October 12, 2023

@ 6:00 PM

Palo Pinto County Extension Office

221 S. 5th Ave., Palo Pinto

October Topic: Explore 4-H

Please RSVP by October 10th to

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