



4-H TIMES



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

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"FREE AND FULL OF GLEE"

What an amazing 4-H Program Year we've had! Wishing all of our Hidalgo County 4-H Families a safe and great holiday weekend! We've got many kids and events to highlight so please check them out! And good luck to all our Shooting Sports kids in the upcoming State Games Competitions coming up! Stay hydrate, focused, but most of all have fun!

We have a new Facebook page please refer to end of the newsletter! Also join our Remind App Group for the latest 4-H Updates for details on how to join please refer to page 8.

We look forward to a busy year and encourage all of you to take advantage of all the opportunities at the County, District and State levels.

All the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agents here in Hidalgo County are here to help in any way with your projects, contests or information you may need, just give us a call at (956) 383-1026.

Thank you to all our parents and volunteers for helping our 4-Her's succeed!

Sincerely,

*Hidalgo County
Extension Agent Team*

Katarina Rodriguez, CEA-4-H; Dr. Andrea Valdez, CEA-FCH;
Vidal Saenz, CEA-ANR; Joanne Ureste, CEA-FCH; Ashley Gregory, CEA-Hort

Coming Up

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- July 6 District 12 4-H Record Book Registration Closes on 4-HOnline
 - July 9-14 State Games: Hunting & Wildlife, Muzzleloading, Pistol and Rifle Events; Callahan County Rifle Range in Baird, Texas
 - July 14 District 12 4-H Council Officer Retreat Registration Closes on 4-HOnline
 - July 16-22 State Games: Archery Contest at San Antonio National Shooting Complex
 - July 18-23 State Games: Shotgun Contest at San Antonio National Shooting Complex

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- Aug. 10 Hidalgo County 4-H Leadership Workshop; Location TBA
 - Aug. 15 4-H New Program Year Enrollment goes Live on 4-HOnline
 - Aug. 22 Hidalgo County Livestock Judging Workshop; 6pm Extension Office
 - Aug. 22 Hidalgo County Council Kick Off & Adult Leaders Meeting; 7pm Extension Office
 - TBD. Hidalgo County 4-H Club Manager and Project Leader Training

"When the sun is shining I can do anything; no mountain is too high, no trouble is too difficult to overcome".

WILMA RUDOLPH



Hidalgo County 2023-2024 4-H Calendar of Events

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**** Dates & Locations are subject to change****

July 2023		August 2023		September 2023	
07/12	District 12 Record Book Judging	08/10	4-H Leadership Workshop	09/09	County Food Show/Food Challenge Workshop (Mandatory for Food Challenge)
07/9 - 07/14	State Games: Pistol and Rifle Match	08/22	Hidalgo County 4-H Livestock Judging Workshop	09/23	Hidalgo County 4-H Foundation Hoedown
07/16 - 07/22	State Games: Archery Match	08/22	4-H County Council Kick Off Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	TBD	Swine Tag Order Deadline for Major Shows
07/18 - 07/23	State Games: Shotgun Match	TBD	Lamb & Goat Tag Order Deadline for Major Shows	09/26	Hidalgo County 4-H Consumer Decision Making Workshop
TBD	Hidalgo County Club Manager Training	TBD	Heifer UIN Order Deadline for Major Shows	09/26	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting
October 2023		November 2023		December 2023	
10/07	La Muneca Field Day & Livestock Judging Contest	11/01 - 11/02	Path to the Plate Youth Expo (KKM)	TBD	District 12 Shooting Sports (Modified 600 & 3D) Archery Match
10/08	One Day 4-H	TBD	Commercial Heifer Validation	12/02	County Fashion Show Workshop (Mandatory for Duds to Dazzle)
10/19	County Consumer Decision Making Contest (Invitational)	TBD	District 12 Food Show/Food Challenge	12/12	Storyboard Workshop
TBD	Lamb, Goat & Heifer Validation for Majors	TBD	District 12 Consumer Decision Making	12/12	County Council Christmas
10/28	County Food Show/Food Challenge	TBD	Hog Validation @ ECISD Ag Farm	12/15 - 12/16	RGVLS Vegetable & Citrus Show (Ag. Product ID Contest)
TBD	Lamb, Goat & Heifer Validation for Majors	11/28	Ag. Product ID Workshop	12/20	County Fashion Show Workshop 2 (Mandatory for Duds to Dazzle)
10/24	Hidalgo County 4-H Horticulture & Record Book Workshop	11/28	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting		
10/24	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	TBD	RGVLS Gala		
January 2024		February 2024		March 2024	
01/23	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	02/01 - 02/03	S.T.A.R (www.gostar.org)	TBD	District 12 Shooting Sports - Postal League
01/25	Hidalgo County 4-H Photography Judging	02/08 - 02/25	San Antonio Livestock Show	TBD	District 12 Photography Contest (Virtual)
01/26	Hidalgo County 4-H Fashion Show & Public Speaking	02/27	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	TBD	District 12 Shooting Sports - Trap Skeet & Whiz Bang
01/27	Hidalgo County 4-H Duds to Dazzle, Share the Fun & Ed. Presentation	TBD	S.T.A.R Gala	03/07 - 03/17	RGVLS
01/29	Hidalgo County 4-H Award Applications go live			03/20	Hidalgo County Award Applications Due
				03/26	County Council & Adult Leaders Meeting
April 2024		May 2024		June 2024	
04/02 - 04/04	Hidalgo County 4-H Award Interviews	TBD	Hidalgo County 4-H Achievement Night	06/05 - 06/06	County Record Books Due
TBD	State Photography Deadline	05/09	County Record Book Workshop	06/12 - 06/14	County Record Book Judging
TBD	District 12 Fashion Sensation	05/28	County Council Meeting Officer Induction/Adult Leaders Meeting	TBD	Texas 4-H State Roundup
TBD	District 12 Roundup			TBD	District 12 4-H Leadership Lab
TBD	District 12 Livestock Judging			TBD	District 12 4-H Election Convention
TBD	District 12 Shooting Sports Rifle (3P & Silhouette) Match				
04/23	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting (Election Con.)				

***Please refer to Monthly Newsletter for details on upcoming events at:**
<https://hidalgo.agriife.org/4-h-youth-development/4-h-times-newsletters/>

Welcome to Hidalgo County 4-H 2023-2024

The Hidalgo County Council Officers would like to welcome you to a new 4-H year! We believe in 4-H when you move swiftly as the wind, closely-formed as the wood, attack like the fire and are still as the mountain this allows members to generate a mind that is open. Therefore this year's 4-H Theme is: "Capture your 4-H Element"

We invite all 4-Her's and their parents to join us this year at our County Council Meetings and Adult Advisory Board Meetings to learn about new 4-H opportunities, plan or lead new events, and have fun!

See you at our Leadership Workshop on August 10, 2023 !



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2023-2024 County Council Monthly Meeting Schedule

MORE MEETINGS! MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUN!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023
TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024 (Council Officer Declarations)

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024 (Council Officer Elections)

All Meetings at
 Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office
 Hidalgo County
 7pm - 8pm

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2022-2023 HIDALGO COUNTY 4-H

County Council

BACK TO SCHOOL

SUPPLY DRIVE

Thank you to all our Members and Parents for making this drive a success in total we collected:

32 BOXES OF PENCILS
 40 BOXES OF COLORED PENCILS
 18 PACKS OF MARKERS
 16 BOXES OF CRAYONS
 33 SCISSORS

27 GLUES
 4 PACKS OF ERASERS
 3 PACKS OF MECHANICAL PENCILS
 32 FOLDERS
 2 PACKS OF HIGHLIGHTERS



2023-2024 HIDALGO COUNTY 4-H

COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICERS



President



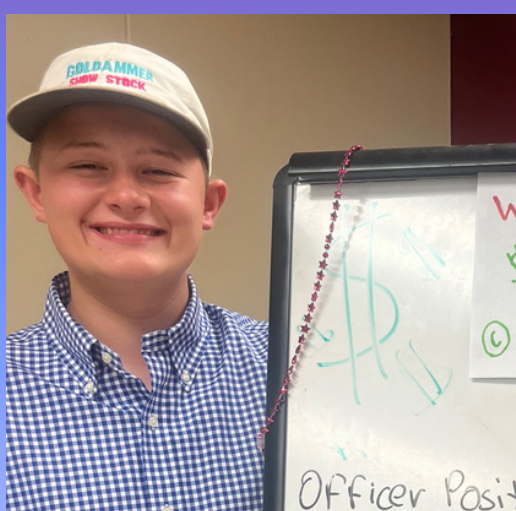
1st Vice President



2nd Vice President



Secretary



Treasurer



Reporter



Parliamentarian



Delegate



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2023 TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP

HIDALGO COUNTY RESULTS



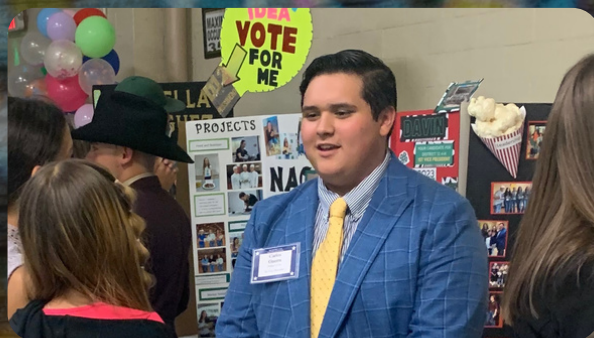
6 of 57 Teams in Ag. Product ID: Team Members were Cora, Lily, Tessa and Mia

3 of 33 Team in Consumer Decision Making: Team Members were Preston, Carolina, Diego and Vicente



2 out of 10 Teams in Duds to Dazzle Non-Wearables Team Members were Darby, Ava, Gabriela and Carolina

9th in Public Speaking went to Carlos Guerra from Linn- San Manuel 4-H Club



2023 TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP

HIDALGO COUNTY RESULTS



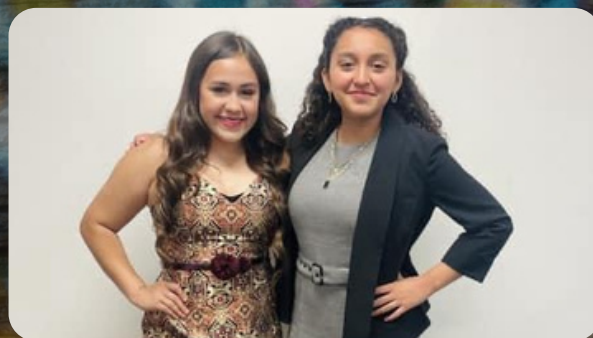
6 of 10 Teams in Duds to Dazzle Wearable Category. Team Members were Emily, Tessa, Mary and Mia

4 of 9 in the Fashion Show Buying Business Interview Category: Carolina Salas



1 of 8 in the Fashion Show Buying Special Interest Category: Gabriela Ramirez

4 of 6 in the Fashion Show Fantastic Fashion Under \$25 Category: Danielle Luna



Town & Country 4-H



Club News

By:
Jonas

This month our members had our end of the year party, participated in community service, and practiced for the upcoming State Games. We prepared hot meals for McAllen residents and at Mission Skeet and Trap Club Pulled and Scored for the Rio Grande Rotary Club. We also practiced for Texas 4H State Games. Lastly celebrated our Senior Eric Davila , with his sash from his Shooting Sport coach's.



District 12 4-H INFORMATION

Don't forget to check the District 12 website for
events and deadline updates!



For all District 12 4-H Contest
and registration information

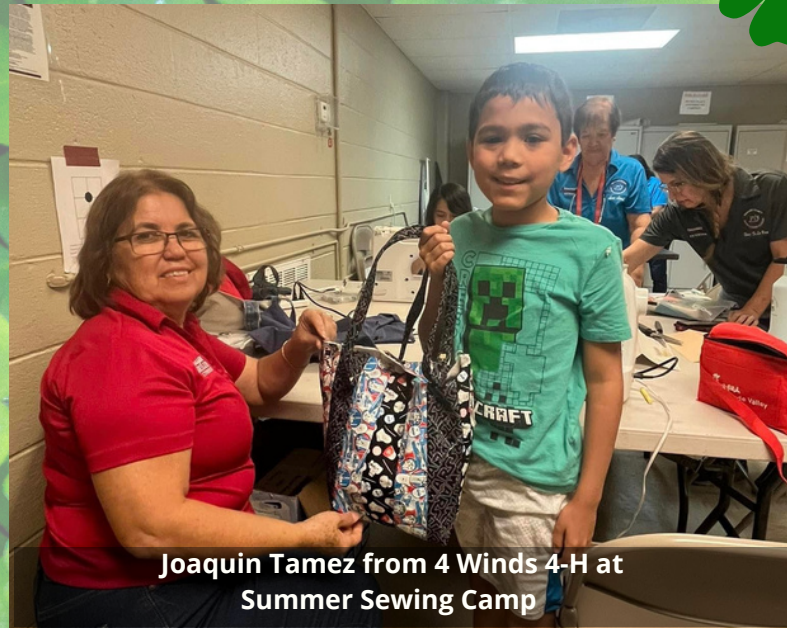
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<https://agrilife.org/d124h/>

4-HER'S IN ACTION



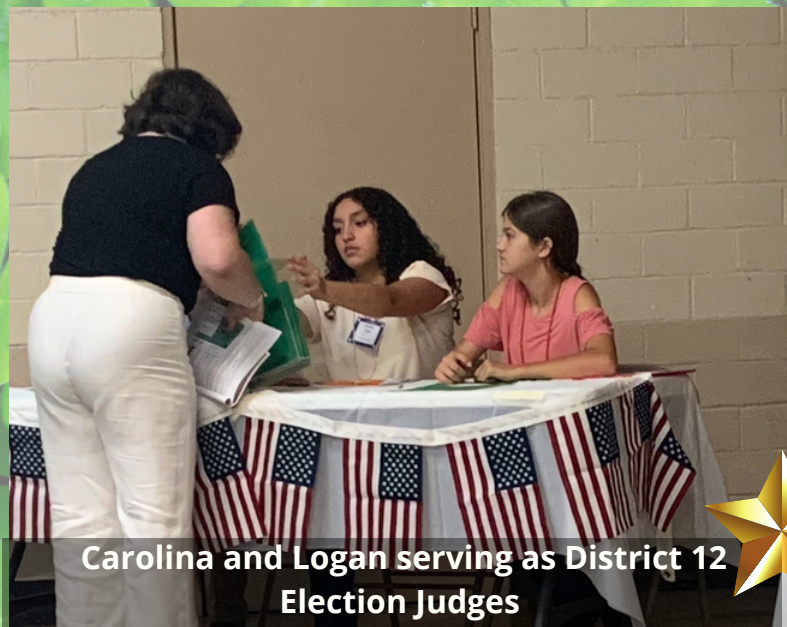
Brush Country 4-H Members helping pass out food bank bags to EFNEP Summer Participants



Joaquin Tamez from 4 Winds 4-H at Summer Sewing Camp



Leadership Lab Dance featuring Preston and Arianna



Carolina and Logan serving as District 12 Election Judges



Hidalgo County Shotgun Club Members at their annual contest in Mission, Texas

4-HER'S IN ACTION



Leadership Lab Spider Team Building Exercise featuring Ella from Brush Country 4-H



Borderline 4-H and Wildcat 4-H Members at D12 Leadership Lab



Hidalgo County 4-H Members at District 12 Election Convention



Leadership Lab Spirit Sticks in the making



Newly elected 2023-2024 District 12 Council Officers: Congrats Emily and Preston



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SAVE THE DATE

AGGIE FOOTBALL 4-H DAY

SATURDAY, NOV. 16 AT KYLE FIELD

TIME: TBD | AGGIES VS. ABILENE CHRISTIAN

The 12th Man Foundation is excited to welcome back all 4-H participants statewide along with their friends and family to Kyle Field at an exclusive discounted rate.

LINKS GO LIVE JULY 1ST

For more information, please call 979-260-7946 or email jkendrick@12thmanfoundation.com

[WWW.12THMANFOUNDATION.COM/GROUPS](https://www.12thmanfoundation.com/groups)

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STEM AMBASSADOR APPLICATIONS NOW LIVE

TO APPLY SCAN QR CODE



APPLICATION OPEN DATE: JULY 1, 2023
APPLICATION CLOSE DATE: JULY 31, 2023

Need to stay up to date on 4-H Deadlines? Join our group on the Remind App.

Send a Text to: 81010

Text the Message: @hc4had

FIND YOUR SPARK
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National 4-H Volunteer Conference
4-H: Find Your Spark
September 28-October 1, 2023
www.4hvcoss.com/
Registration opens June 1

Fun Friendship New Ideas

Curriculum New Skills

2nd ANNUAL JUNIOR SHOOTING SPORTS COMPETITION

REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 8

OVER \$25,000 IN PREMIUMS & \$20,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

OPEN TO TEXAS 4-H & FFA MEMBERS AGES 11 - 18
OCTOBER 6 & 7, 2023

FRIDAY 10/6 - ONSITE CHECK-IN (PRACTICE COURSE & SIDE GAMES OPEN)
SATURDAY 10/7 - COMPETITION (CHECK-IN, PRACTICE COURSE & SIDE GAMES OPEN)
SIDE GAMES & PRIZES FOR ADULTS & YOUTH COMPETITORS

DEFENDER OUTDOORS CLAY SPORTS RANCH - FORT WORTH TEXAS
<https://www.fwssr.com/p/competitions--contests/fwssrshootingssports>

Texas 4-H Youth Development Program
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📌 SAVE THE DATE 📌

🌿 4-H Day in Aggieland 🌿

🏈 Aggies vs. Abilene Christian
Saturday, November 18th
<https://www.12thmanfoundation.com/tickets/group-tickets/index.html>

#4HDayinAggieland #Texas4H #AggieFootball

4-H DAY IN AGGIELAND
WHERE THE EXPERIENCE BEGINS

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

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

NEW!

PROFILE PHOTO

HIDALGO COUNTY 4-H FACEBOOK PAGE

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THANK YOU

**To all our 4-H parents and
volunteers for your time and
hardwork helping our 4-Her's!**



CALL FOR PHOTOS!

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