

# 4-H FUTURES & FEATURES

August 2022



## In conclusion...

### 4-H Council

Chairman: .....Kellie Mae Davis  
1st V-Chairman: .....Emily Robertson  
2nd V-Chairman: .....Emma Chisum  
Secretary: .....Tony Soria  
Reporter: .....Brycen Epperson  
Delegates at Large: .....Gavin Greer &  
.....Rebekka Ruzvidzo

### CLUBS

#### North Fork Delegates

President -  
Council Delegates -

#### Top of Texas Archery Delegates

President -  
Council Delegate -  
Council Delegate -

#### North Fork Club Managers

Vacant - **HELP WANTED**

#### Top of Texas Archery Managers

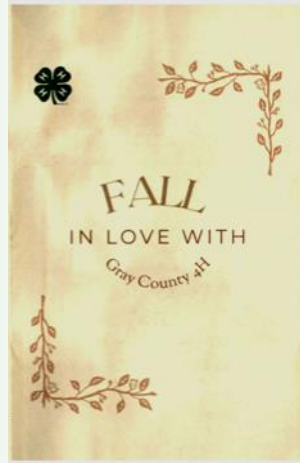
Chad Epperson &  
Angie Bowman-Epperson

#### Clover Kids Club Manager

Joan Gray-Soria

### PARENT - LEADERS

Chairman: .....Heather Scott  
Vice-Chairman: .....Sy Brown  
Secretary: .....Krista Clark  
Treasurer: .....Karen Schantin  
Co-Treasurer: .....Brenda Green



2021 - 2022 Gray County 4-H Council



Participation Points Prizes



Top Pecan Salesmen

This year's 4-H Banquet was a great success with many awards handed out. It was great seeing everyone who could make it and participate in the recognition event. We are sorry to have missed those of you who were unable to attend. The following are some of the awards recipients:

- \* Friend of 4-H ..... Phillips 66 Company
- \* Record book awards: Kimber Becco, Collin Campbell, Harper Nachtigall, Bryce Gosling, Landyn Gosling, Gavin Greer, Brycen Epperson, Rebecca Scott & Tony Soria.
- \* Participation Awards (Pictured above): Kimber Becco, Collin Campbell, Katie Davis, Kellie Mae Davis, Kenedie Davis, Brycen Epperson, Nicky Price, Rebecca Scott, & Tony Soria.
- \* Pecan Sales Incentive Prizes (Pictured above): Conner Safranca, Sierra Sutherland, Jerritt Furgason, Maddox Bowers, Emma Chisum, Kimber Becco, Hope Scribner, Anleigh Bowers, Kenedie Davis, & Tony Soria.
- \* Rookie of the Year ..... Bryce Gosling
- \* Special Recognition .....Brycen Epperson
- \* "I Dare You" .....Tony Soria & Rebecca Scott
- \* Gold Star ..... Rebecca Scott



# Reminders going into the 2022 - 2023 4-H year

- ◆ **HELP WANTED!** Adult Volunteers are always needed, wanted and appreciated for leading projects, volunteering time with 4-H promotional events and general involvement with our 4-H youth program. **If you or someone you know is willing to be an Adult Leader or Volunteer, please contact us with your ideas and questions. Thank you for your consideration!**
- ◆ **DID YOU KNOW** There is much more that goes into being a 4-H member than just attending project meetings? Community involvement, fund raising and 4-H promotional opportunities are also part of the “4-H Pie”. If you are only going to project meetings, you are missing out on other opportunities to learn life-applicable lessons you can carry into adulthood. Not only that, but 4-H Participation in Gray County also earns you points, awards and other recognition at the annual banquet and as you continue to grow in 4-H you will have great potential to earn college scholarships. We are so glad you are a Gray County 4-H family and we hope to see you at more 4-H activities this next year.
- ◆ **IMPORTANT:** All Gray County 4-H families need to join the “Gray County Blast” Remind group for announcements and information regarding 4-H promotional events, fund raisers, volunteer and community service opportunities, and important deadlines. Please **Text @42bb8e to 81010.**
- ◆ We will continue to communicate County 4-H information, club meetings and project meetings through the “Remind App”. To join the groups enter the corresponding text message code and send it to **81010.**

## Clubs

### Help Wanted

**Clover Kids (Kdg -2)** [@jgraysori](#)

**North Fork** [@jgraysoria](#)

**Top of Texas Archery** [@topfte](#)

## Projects

**Archery:** [@topofte](#)   **Beef:** [@cattleproj](#)   **Fashion & Interior Design:** [@4-Hclot](#)

**Foods & Nutrition:** [@4hfoodsp](#)   **Horse:** [@9b8bf2](#)   **Livestock Judging:** [@2e7328k](#)

**Photography:** [@bfdhac](#)   **Public Speaking:** [@4hpubli](#)   **Robotics:** [@h7bghg](#)

**Sheep/Goats:** [@4hsheepa](#)   **Swine:** [@swinepr](#)   **Shotgun:** [@2798g2a](#)

- ◆ Another great way to be informed is to like and follow our Facebook page. If you don't already, we want to invite you take a look at all of the activities we have to offer and that are going on.

<https://www.facebook.com/graycounty4h>

*Thank you for taking a few minutes to read this newsletter. Let us know if you have any questions!*

4-H Enrollment for the 2022 - 2023 4-H year opens on August 16th for current 4-H members. If your child is going into 3rd grade this year wait until September 1st to enroll or they will be considered a Clover Kid, not a 4-H Member. The cost is \$25 until November 1st then it increases to \$30.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is the database that the Extension Office pulls information from for communication purposes and announcements. Please make sure your family profile, email, and projects are correct.



## TEXAS 4H ONLINE FAMILY ENROLLMENT TIPS

<http://texas.4honline.com>

### NEW FAMILY

1	2	3	4	
			YOUTH	Adult
Select to set up a profile Setup only one family profile per household.	Start adding a member Enter one enrollment profile at a time. The Next button will take you through each screen.	Review Fees Youth Fees vary with date enrolled. Adult Fees pay \$10.00.	Review enrollment and fees. Click Back to make corrections. Click Submit.	Review enrollment and fees. Click Back to make corrections. Click Submit.
Enter an e-mail address that is checked often. This will be how you get communication.	Youth selects at least one club and one project. Adult selects volunteer type, clubs and projects.	Add and select a credit card to pay for the fees.	Status changes to pending. Local county office reviews and approves.	Adult completes Screening and Required trainings.
Create a password. Requirements are displayed on the screen if not validated.	Enter information in all the fields on the Questions screen. Youth Birthdate and school grade determines eligibility.	Or select payment collected by county office. A confirmation screen will popup.	Payment is locked-in. Credit card is charged or county mails payment.	Status changes to pending. Local county office approves. Payment is locked-in. Credit card is charged or county mails payment.
Complete all family information.	Complete the Health and Consents Screens. Click Next through each screen.	Select payment and agree to Payment and Refund terms.	Status changes to approved after payment is received.	Status changes to approved after payment is received, screening approved and trainings completed.

Contact the local county office before starting a profile, to make sure you are selecting a club which fits your family needs.  
Find your local county office online at: <http://counties.agrilife.org>

### RETURNING FAMILY

1	2	3	4	
			YOUTH	Adult
Login with the family email address and password. Requirements are displayed on the screen if not validated.	Click Enroll Now next to the member's name.	Review Fees Youth Fees vary on date enrolled. Adult Fees are \$10.00.	Review Enrollment and fees. Click Back to make corrections. Click Submit.	Review Enrollment and fees. Click Back to make corrections. Click Submit.
Contact the local county Extension Office for password assistance or click Reset Password link.	You can only enroll one member at a time.	Add and select a credit card to pay for the fees.	Status changes to pending. Local county office reviews and approves.	Adult completes screening and required trainings. (if applicable)
<b>Do Not Create a NEW Family Profile.</b>	Click Next through each screen. You must enter school, grade, clubs and projects.	Or select payment collected by county office. A confirmation screen will popup.	Payment is locked-in. Credit card is charged or county mails payment.	Status changes to pending. Local county office approves. Payment is locked-in. Credit card is charged or county mails payment.
Review and update family information.	Complete the Health and Consents Screens.	Select payment	Status changes to approved after payment is received.	Status changes to approved after payment is received, screening approved and trainings completed.

If the family has moved to a NEW county in Texas, contact local county office to have the FAMILY PROFILE moved to the new county. **Do not create a new profile.**

The system will send automatic notifications to the family email address in the system!

*Thank you for taking a few minutes to read this newsletter. Let us know if you have any questions!*



## Junior Fair Board

The Junior Board of the Amarillo Tri-State Exposition consists of representatives from 4-H and FFA chapters in the Texas Panhandle. *Tony Soria*, pictured above with the Junior Fair Board, has had the pleasure of representing Gray County 4-H last year and again this year. The general responsibilities of Junior Board members are to gain a greater understanding of putting on the annual Tri-State Fair & Rodeo while serving as an ambassador for the Fair and a liaison within their community.

There are plenty of events to see and participate in at the Tri-State Fair. For more information, visit this link: <https://www.tristatefair.com/events/participate-in-the-fair>

Please let us know by **September 8th** if you would like to participate or have any questions!

# Good Luck!

Gray County 4-H will have members participating in livestock shows and livestock judging contests.

Anleigh Bowers: Showing 1 Heifer and 2 Steers and Livestock Judging

Maddox Bowers: Showing 1 Heifer and 2 Steers and Livestock Judging

Ember, Ivey, and Pyper Cowan: Showing 2 Steers each

Katie Davis: Showing 1 Heifer and 2 Steers

Kenedie Davis: Showing 2 Steers and Livestock Judging

Hope Scribner: Showing 1 Heifer, 2 Steers, and 2 Goats

Hudson Scribner: Showing 2 Heifers, 2 Steers and Catch-A-Calf Scholarship participant

Kimber Becco, Collin Campbell, Gavin Greer, Addy, Easton & Hallie Willis are all in the Livestock Judging contests as well.

**Good luck and have Fun!**

**\*\*Excused Absences from school\*\***

Please inform the Gray County Extension Office via e-mail to [Brenda.Green@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Brenda.Green@ag.tamu.edu), or phone at 669-8033, of any 4-H activities that you plan to attend outside of school hours so we can verify eligibility and request your child's absence to be excused.

**Majors livestock show participants must complete the quality counts enrollment when it is your first time showing at any Major Stock Show, or when you are advancing to the next 4-H age-group. (Elementary to Jr. High, and Jr. High to High School.)**

## QUALITY COUNTS ENROLLMENT

**Before getting started:** For the best experience in the Quality Counts course, please use Mozilla Firefox as your internet source (Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, and Safari may work in some instances but are NOT suggested). Also, please make sure your browser (Firefox) has JavaScript and Cookies enabled. For desktop computers, you must have Adobe Flash Player 10.1 or greater installed.

We recommend using  
Firefox as your browser!



1. Go to: <https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx>
2. Register with your information
  - a. It is very important to choose BOTH your 4-H and FFA chapter regardless of which you think you will show through!
  - b. You will need to enter your DOB and Phone Number in the format provided.
  - c. For grade level, please enter the grade you are entering (if between May-August) or your current grade, depending on the time of year you are registering in Quality Counts.
3. Click Submit Registration
4. This will trigger an email from [dottie.goebel@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:dottie.goebel@ag.tamu.edu) to keep for your records.
  - a. Do not delete this email as it contains a Return Link that you will NEED to come back to the course at any time.
5. Staying on the website, click Proceed to Curriculum.
6. You will be directed to the Quality Counts curriculum website.
7. The course is free, so click the blue Add to Cart button.
8. Click Create an account under the log in button if you do not have an account with AgriLife Learn.
  - a. Though you do have to create another login on a separate website, this is necessary to be able to leave and come back to the curriculum as many times as needed!
9. Click View Cart
10. Click Proceed to Checkout
11. Check the box next to "I agree with the Terms of Use," then click Next
12. To access your course, scroll down to the section "Access Courses in D2L," then click on your course in blue
13. Click Quality Counts
14. Select Age Bracket according to your school grade as of August 31 of the current year.
15. Begin Course! The course will take approximately 2 hours to complete.
16. You may leave and come back to the course using the Return Link (Step 4a).
17. Once you complete the course, you will click Proceed to Test.
18. You must complete the exam once you start it, but you can take it as many times as needed to achieve an 80% or higher.
19. Once passed, your verified Quality Counts number is ready for livestock show entries!

FOR QUESTIONS RELATED TO TECHNICAL ISSUES OR LOGIN  
INFORMATION CONTACT: [LEARNONLINE@AG.TAMU.EDU](mailto:LEARNONLINE@AG.TAMU.EDU)

FOR QUESTIONS RELATED TO CONTENT, SCORES, AND  
VERIFICATION CONTACT:  
[TEXASYOUTH LIVESTOCK@AG.TAMU.EDU](mailto:TEXASYOUTH LIVESTOCK@AG.TAMU.EDU)



# 4-H Youth Council

Anyone interested in running for a Council Office position should fill out the below application and attend the Council Meeting on September 11th at 2:30 in the Annex.

## 2022-23 Gray County 4-H Council Officer Application

**Please have this form turned in by September 11 to the Extension Office.**

**\*Applicant must be present at time of election.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Check office(s) you will serve if elected: (The Chairman and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairman shall be at least 14 years of age on August 31st of the current 4-H year.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Reporter

\_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Delegate-at-Large

\_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Delegate-at-Large

\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary

Activities in 4-H:

On a separate page complete the following:

4-H Leadership: (list leadership activities and offices you have held)

4-H Community Service: (list all 4-H community service projects you have lead or participated)

4-H Activities: (list activities and camps which you have lead or participated)

### PARENT PERMISSION FORM

Intent to run for office in Gray County 4-H Council  
(Requirements to hold an office)

1. Must be a 4-H member enrolled through 4-H Connect.
2. Must be carrying at least one 4-H project in current year.
3. Must be responsible and able to carry out duties of office you are seeking.
4. Must have parent permission form signed and returned to County Extension Office.
5. Must have a one minute speech prepared—"Why 4-H is Important to Me".

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent

I understand that if my child is elected; there are certain responsibilities that he/she must fulfill. I will help in seeing these responsibilities are met.

\_\_\_\_\_  
4-H Member

I understand that if I am elected, additional activities may be asked of me throughout the year and Community Service Projects are required. I agree to fulfill my responsibilities to the best of my ability, including my attendance and participation in Council meetings and officer training.

# Parent/Leader Council

Parent/Leader Council will meet on Tuesday, November 8th at 6:00 in the Annex.

Discussion items include fall fundraisers, 4-H projects, contests and other fall activities.

**All parents and volunteers are encouraged to attend the Parent/Leader Council Meetings.**

**Your input is valued and appreciated!**

## Club Meetings

### HELP WANTED

Clover Kids - 9/12 and every 2nd Monday of the month in the Annex at 5:30

North Fork - 9/20 and every 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Annex at 6:00

*Please contact the Extension Office at 806-669-8033 for information about leading a club.*

## Project Meetings & Info

### FALL PROJECTS PLANNING MEETING

**Thursday, September 1st at 6:00 pm** in the Annex. An informational meeting about the

**\*\*New - Ag Product ID\*\*** Consumer Education, Foods/Nutrition (Food Show, Food Challenge, & FCH Quiz Bowl) projects. Dates for project meetings and contests will be scheduled at this meeting.

### PHOTOGRAPHY

Project Leader: Eva Price

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @bfdhac**

More information to be announced.

### ROBOTICS

Project Leader: Karen Schantin

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @h7bghg**

More information to be announced.

### MEAT SCIENCE

Project Leader: Alan Parker

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hmeatj**

More information to be announced

### FOODS & NUTRITION

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hfoodsp**

Planning Meeting 9/1, 6:00 pm at the Annex

# Project Meetings & Info

## ALL LIVESTOCK PROJECTS:

Be on the Look Out:

- Majors Entries information meeting
- Quality Counts requirements for Majors participants
  - Fall validation dates

## BEEF

Project Leader: Ryan Davis

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @cattleproj**

## SHEEP AND GOAT

Project Leader: Heather Scott

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hsheepa**

Contact Brenda via email at Brenda.Green@ag.tamu.edu to order you validation tags.

## SWINE

Project Leader: **HELP WANTED**

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @swinepr**

Contact Brenda via email at Brenda.green@ag.tamu.edu to request your validation tags.

## HORSE

Project Leaders: Heather Scott & Amy Gallemore

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @9b8bf2**

## LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Project Leader: Audrey Hopkins

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @2e7328k**

Practices to get ready for Tri-State will be scheduled through remind

## ARCHERY

Project Leader: Chad Epperson

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @topofte**

⇒ Watch for a remind message for when practices begin.

## SHOTGUN

Project Leader: Rodney Robertson

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @2798g2a**

⇒ Watch for a remind message for when practices begin.



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## Upcoming Events to watch for

- ◆ Club & Projects Meetings Dates
  - ◆ Tri-State Fair Results
- ◆ Durham's Pecan Gray County 4-H Fundraiser packets
  - ◆ Big Fun D1 Fall contests

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