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Event & Program Information Dates

Enrollment or re-enrollment fee, now, \$20, 4-H Connect: <http://tx4-tamu.edu/4hconnect/index.html>

Houston Stock Show—March 3-22, 2015 <http://www.rodeo-houston.com/>

Cochran 4-H Club Meeting March 10th Whiteface HS Library 4 p.m.

Cochran County Photo entries due March 11th

Cochran County Photo contest March 13th

Star of Texas Stock Show—March 14-28, 2015 <http://www.rodeo-austin.com/>

Cochran County Fashion Show & Story Board entries due March 17th

Cochran County Fashion Show & Story Board Contest March 20th

D-2 Photo, Fashion Show & Story Board Entries due March 26th

Cochran Adult Leader & Ag Scholarships Due March 30th

D-2 Photo Contest April 1st

D-2 Fashion Story Board Contest April 7th

Swine, Goat & Lamb State Fair & Heifer & Steer tags due April 10th

Cochran 4-H meeting April 14th 4 p.m. Whiteface High School

D-2 Fashion Show Contest April 14th

Goat/lamb/swine state fair tags due April 15th

D-2 Livestock Show April 25th & D-2 Swine Quiz Bowl April 27th

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Meeting Dates & Contacts:

<i>Cochran 4-H Club</i>	<i>2nd Tuesday of month Whiteface Library 4 p.m.</i>
<i>Cochran 4-H Gun Club</i>	<i>TBA</i>

**Photo contest entries will be due March 10th
Fashion Show & Story Board March 17th**

**If you have any questions,
Feel free to contact our office**

At 806-266-5215

**All contest notification letters and guidelines
can be retrieved off the D-2 website link:**

<http://d24-h.tamu.edu/>

Contest Results

Ft. Worth Stock Show:

Aiden Greener had a 4th place steer project

Nash Willingham had a reserve breed Hereford project

San Angelo Stock Show:

Jordan Albus 1st place beef project

Geovani Perez 1st place swine project



4H Adult Leader & Management Corner:

Equal Opportunity Notification for Educational Programs & Non-Discrimination Policies

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Cochran County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Requests for accommodation of a disability should be directed to Natalie Silhan, Office Manager, 806-266-5215. Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.



Need help fundraising.....but,

*"My County doesn't have a TSC store", **no problem.** "Stripes Convenient stores are not located in my County", **no problem.** "Arlington is a bit of a far drive for my county to attend a Texas Rangers Baseball game", **no problem.** Texas 4-H Friends and Alumni hosting 4-H membership drive. Can go to <http://texas4Hfriends.org/alliances> for more information.*

TEXAS 4-H CENTER WEBSITE

While you are surfing the web, don't forget to visit the Texas 4-H Center's website: <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>

COCHRAN COUNTY 4-H ON-LINE

Now has the 4-H newsletter as well as various other sources of information at: <http://cochran-tx.tamu.edu>

Other 4-H Web-sites

Glory Be Collectibles You might want to check out the neat 4-H items at www.glorybe.com

Clover Corner News Check out the Clover Corner News, 4-H's national online newsletter, at: www.4hblogs.org/ccn.

Check out this Website : <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu>

D-2 Events

D-2 Photo, Fashion Show & Story Board Entries due March 26th

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YOUTH PROTECTION STANDARDS UPDATE

Courtney Dodd, Extension Program Specialist

A reminder at the start of this 4-H year - all volunteers are to be re-screened every three years. For 4-H volunteers, the need for re-screening is determined on a 4-H year basis. For example, a volunteer screened any time between September 1, 2008 and August 31, 2009 needs to be re-screened at the beginning of this 2011-2012 4-H year. More information on volunteer screening is located online at: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/agents/agent_yps/agents_yps.php

Volunteer \$5 Application Fee Plan

What:

Upon setting up or reactivating their 4-H CONNECT profile each year, adults will be assessed an annual \$5 volunteer application fee.

- This fee will pay for screening, which will continue to be conducted every three years, even though the \$5 volunteer application fee will be assessed annually.

Who:

All 4-H volunteers will be assessed the volunteer application fee

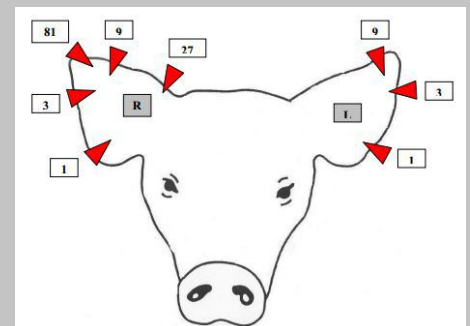
Volunteers that provide proof of screening through other entities will still be assessed the fee

Stock Show Tips:

Ear notches are read with the litter number (right ear) first followed by the individual identification number (left ear) read second. The standard ear notch system will consist of a standard set of numbers and notches located in specific areas are the ear of each individual pig.

Standard notches in the pig's right ear are the 1 notch located on the bottom of the ear near the pig's head. Meanwhile the 3 notch is located on the side of the ear close to the tip. The 9 is located on the outer half of the top of the ear while the 27 notch is located closest to the head on the top of the ear. The largest notch number is the 81 notch which is located at the tip of the ear. Any combination of the standard notches can occur with no more than two notches of any one number. For example $3 + 3 = 6$ and you never see $3 + 3 + 3 = 9$. This does not exist and neither does $81 + 81$. There is only one tip on an ear, so there can only be one 81 notch. The right ear has a maximum number of 161 ($81 + 27 + 27 + 9 + 9 + 3 + 3 + 1 + 1 = 161$).

Standard notches on the pig's left ear are the 1 notch located on the bottom of the ear near the pig's head. Meanwhile the 3 notch is located on the side of the ear close to the tip. The 9 is located on the outer half of the top of the ear. The maximum number of the left ear is 26 ($9 + 9 + 3 + 3 + 1 + 1 = 26$). It is highly unlikely you would have 26 pigs born in a litter.





Calendar 2014:

There's Always Something To Do! Important 4-H Dates

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Reminders and/or Suggestions:

Re-enrollment is required for each new program year. Enrollment or re-enrollment can be completed by going to 4H Connect website located on 4honline.com. Please also remember that all 4-H Volunteer working directly with youth must have also submitted a volunteer screening form. These, also, may be completed online on 4H Connect. **There will be a membership fee of \$20 each for enrollment, or re-enrollment, between Aug 15th—Oct 31st. \$25 each for the same after October 31st. There will be an adult enrollment fee of \$5. Contact office re: any questions you may have. website: <http://tx4-h.tamu.edu/4hconnect/index.html>**

Link for enrollment is: <http://tx4-h.tamu.edu/4hconnect/index.html>

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Texas 4-H homepage, go to: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/> for all upcoming event and state 4H info.