

Happy Friday 4-H Families,

Please see the announcements below. Email blasts can be found on the [4-H Newsletter & Updates](#) page on the El Paso County, CSU Extension Website. Scroll down and find them by date.

### Topics Covered this Week:

- **2/27 Deadline to sign up for SQA Training (Required for ALL shooting sports members)**
- **3/6 Animal Science Hands on Lesson**
- **3/6 Deadline: 4-H Clothing Drive Donations for the Vietnam Veterans of America Association**
- **3/6 Don't Bug Out! Entomology Learning Session**
- **3/7 Dog project Meeting**
- **3/8 Sheep & Goat Nutrition Clinic**

## Announcements/Reminders

### February 27: Sign up deadline for SQA - Shooter Quality Assurance Training

SQA is a training to educate shooters on safety rules, roles, and responsibilities necessary for using a firearm or other shooting equipment (archery). **Every 4-H member enrolled in a shooting sports project, regardless of years in the program, MUST complete one of the courses.**

- Members can sign up for practices AFTER participating in SQA
- To receive credit for attending:
  - Participants must pre-register for the training on Eventbrite here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shooting-sports-quality-assurance-el-paso-county-4-h-tickets-100573112888>
  - Participants must update their correct name on zoom (click the three dots next to participant's name and click rename, if necessary)
  - Participants must have video on during entire SQA (if there are issues or concerns, notify the Extension office at least 3 business days prior to event)
- **SQA will be offered on two dates:**
  - Saturday, February 27th at 10am
  - Sunday, February 28th at 2pm

### March 6: Animal Science Hands on Lesson

Come join us on for a hands-on activity at the extension office! We will cover the importance of structural correctness in livestock plus, it is a great way to meet more youth in the livestock projects! There will be games, a guest speaker, and fun hands-on learning activities. The education content is geared toward ages 12 & and older, we will only have 20 spots available (first come first serve).

**When:** Saturday, March 6 from 10am – 12pm

**Where:** El Paso County CSU Extension Office 17 N Spruce St., COS, CO 80905

**Register using this link:** <https://forms.gle/tNkMdZAf1LTgL8pL7>

## March 6: Deadline to Donate to El Paso County Youth Council 4-H Clothing Drive

Give your clothes, new or used to the Vietnam Veterans of America Association! The El Paso County Youth Council has set up clothing drop boxes at following locations

- El Paso County Extension Office
- Swink Hall, El Paso County fairgrounds

Donations will be collected **Monday-Friday during business hours through March 6, 2021.**

Click [here](#) for the flyer.

## March 6: Don't Bug Out! Entomology Learning Session

Come explore the world of insects and learn more about the 4-H Entomology project. Session hosted by Arapahoe County Extension. [Click here to register.](#)

**When:** Saturday, March 6 at 9am

In **FREE** this session youth will learn about:

- Arthropods
- What distinguishes an insect from other animals
- Why we should care about insects and their importance to our world
- Spotlight some of cool insects in Colorado
- How you can collect photos and physical specimens for scientific research

## March 7: Dog Project meeting

- **What:** Dog Project Meeting
- **For:** All El Paso County 4-Hers enrolled in the Dog Project
- **Where:** Every month on the First Sunday beginning January 3 through June 6, 2021 on zoom
- **When/Next Meeting:** Sunday, March 7 at 6pm

Join using this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/94112420130?pwd=TnJjc2tzRS9naWp2S3VaZDhzOXRTQT09#success>

## March 8: Sheep & Goat Nutrition Clinic

Join Jefferson County 4-H for the next clinic in our livestock nutrition series – this time focused on sheep and goats! Dr. Clay Elliott from Texas Tech University will be leading this discussion. [Click here for the flyer.](#)

**When:** Monday, March 8 at 6:30 pm

**Where:** Free via Zoom

**Register using this link:**

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0qdO2pqzMiG9SuMdRDQPH0iz0xzKPIGCdx>

Have a great weekend,

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