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## Save the Date for Achievement Awards

The 2023 Achievement Awards will be held on **September 30, 2023**, in the VIP Room of the Norris Penrose Center from 10:00 AM– 12:00 PM. This event is open to all 4-H members and families, and we would like to invite everyone to attend. The award ceremony is designed to recognize the achievements and accomplishments of our youth and volunteers through this 4-H year. In addition, we like to recognize our community members who have been a huge influence on youth and program. We would love to see everyone attend!



## Policy on Branding for Clubs, Project Groups, and Committees

This is a friendly reminder that any branding (IE clothing, awards, logos) for committees, clubs or project groups should be sent to the extension office for approval. It is important that we are following the branding guidelines of 4-H and Colorado State University, so we are in compliance with organization standards as well as proper representation.

Common mistakes in branding are not putting a dash in "4-H", using the correct 4-H Logo, etc. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to [Emily.Green@colostate.edu](mailto:Emily.Green@colostate.edu)

## NEW

### Band APP Communications-Shooting Sports & Tabletop

To help with delivering clear communications, provide an updated event calendar, and send out reminders of county wide programming; I have created an app for two project areas which include Shooting Sports & Tabletop. Please follow the instructions below to join! The communication tool can be used on a desktop app and/or app on your phone. We are inviting 4-H youth, 4-H family members, and 4-H volunteers to join!

You won't want to miss this!

#### Shooting Sports



[LINK](#)

#### Tabletop



[LINK](#)

## Band APP Communications- Horse, Livestock, & Small Animal

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### EPC Livestock Projects

<https://band.us/n/acaf79gek5u8s>



### EPC Horse & Miniature Horse Projects

<https://band.us/n/a6ab71qfkcZ8z>



### EPC Small Animal Projects

<https://band.us/n/afaf7dq8kaxeb>



## 2023-2024 4-H Enrollment Fees

For the 2023-2024 the 4-H enrollment fee will be raising to \$55 for youth members. The volunteer fee will remain at \$5 to enroll. To provide transparency I have included our budget and breakdown of costs in which we use the fees toward in our 4-H programming.

In addition, if the enrollment fee for joining 4-H causes undo financial hardship on the families please remember that the 4-H Foundation can be an option to apply for funds to assist toward the enrollment fee. I have linked their application for funds below.

[Aid for 4-H Participation](#)

### 4-H Enrollment Fee Breakdown

- \$15 of each enrollment fee goes to the State 4-H Office
- \$3 of each enrollment fee goes to cover insurance for 4-H programming

### 4-H Budget Breakdown

- \$2000 for Achievement Program
- \$2500 for Chaperones and State Events
- \$1500 for Professional Development for 4-H County Specialists
- \$3500 General (manuals, record book folders, general programming supplies, volunteer recognition, office supplies, etc)
- \$2000 per 4-H County Specialist for Programming (MQA supplies, Officer Training, educational material, volunteer training, record book graders, mileage reimbursement for clinicians, etc)



**EL PASO COUNTY**  
**COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**EXTENSION**

## Did You Compete at State Fair?

We would love to spotlight you in the upcoming newsletter if you competed at State Fair. Please use the link below to submit photos along with accomplishments so we can take a chance to congratulate and recognize all the youth who dedicated so many hours for their 4-H projects! Please have it filled out by September 15, 2023!

[Link for Google Survey](#)

**AUG 25 - SEPT 4, 2023**



**Colorado  
State Fair**

**MOUNTAINS OF FUN**

## Looking Forward To (Mini-Horse)





## EL PASO COUNTY WAGON TRAIN PRESENTS HANDS ON WORKSHOP: DRAFT HORSES & DRIVING!



### HARNESSING

Learn the parts of the harness and how to harness



### GROUND DRIVING

Learn about the fundamentals of ground driving



### DRIVING + PHOTO OPPS

Ride in carriage and take photos with majestic draft horses



**LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED**

[Registration Link](#)

**9 SEPTEMBER 2023  
10 AM - 2 PM**

THUNDER CLIFF SHIRES, INC  
25175 EAST STATE HWY 110  
CALHAN, CO 80808

## Livestock Premium Book & Sale Committee Rule Review

Please join us on **Tuesday October 17, 2023 at 6:00 PM** at the Extension Office as we discuss changes to the Livestock Premium Book. In addition, the Sale Committee will be present to review potential upcoming changes to the sale rules as well.

4-H families and volunteers enrolled in the livestock project are invited to voice their concerns and bring attention to important topics. Changes and adaptations discussed at this meeting are not necessarily guaranteed, but concerns will be addressed and considered appropriately as we move forward.



## POCKET PETS





Do you have a small pet at home? Come learn about the Pocket Pet Project at one of our monthly meetings!

### PET CLASSES:

- ✓ Reptiles
- ✓ Small Mammals
- ✓ Invertebrates
- ✓ Amphibians
- ✓ Aquatics
- ✓ Rescued
- ✓ Avian



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We are bringing back Fall Fest this year and are excited to offer a number of entertainment events, including Haunted Barn, Gymkhana, Trough or Treat, Vendors, Oktoberfest, Food Trucks, Live Music. Admission is only \$5.00.

We need participants for our Gymkhana, we have children, teen, and Adult age groups .

Additionally, Trough or Treat is a new event. It is essentially Trunk or Treat but with animals and their trailers. Load your animals, decorate their stall/trailer/cage etc.. costume up your furry friend if you can, and park on the carnival grounds and allow people to come see your display, vote on their favorites, and hand out candy. Every participating setup get's free admission for 2 to the event. Animals must be friendly, and safely contained, however all animals are welcome, from bunnies to cows this could be such a great different event that highlights our Ag community.

The link for all can be found here: <https://www.elpasocountyfair.com/events/2023/2023-fall-fest>