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***Please note that all articles and flyers in the 4-H newsletter will be run for a limited timeframe (usually 3-4 newsletters or less) then will be removed. Please be aware of this and review the 4-H newsletters starting in October of the current program year. This will ensure you are not missing out on any important program information. Thank you!*

Please click the links below to find the following documents on the El Paso County Extension Website.

[Link](#) to Band App QR Codes

[Link](#) to What is a Community Service Document

[Link](#) to 4-H Branding Document

[LINK](#) to El Paso County 4-H Policies for Success

[LINK](#) to “More Than 4 Projects” Rule

[LINK](#) to Animal Record Book Policies

[LINK](#) to Oso the Bear

IMPORTANT ENROLLMENT DATES CHANGES

*****NEW FOR 2024-2025*****

Welcome to the new 4-H Year! We are excited to have you join us for another year of Leadership, Learning and “Making the Best Better!”

Please read through this important information regarding Enrollment Dates, Project Add/Drop Dates and the More-Than-4 Project Rule in El Paso County 4-H this year.

*****NEW*** 4-H NEW Member Enrollment Deadline – March 1, 2025**

This deadline is for any **NEW** 4-H members enrolling in 4-H—this includes 4-H families new to the program, or new members from existing families enrolling for the first time.

[Please enroll in 4HOnline.](#)

*****NEW*** 4-H Project Add/Drop Deadline – April 1, 2025 at 5:00 PM**

This deadline is for **TABLETOP & 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECTS ONLY**.

Members must add or drop any Tabletop (general projects) and 4-H Shooting Sports Projects by this deadline. **After April 1, 2025 at 5:00 PM**, any general/4-H shooting sports projects the member is enrolled in is what they will be eligible to participate in at County Fair, and must be completed for the 4-H year.

Any 4-H ANIMAL PROJECTS have an Add/Drop Deadline of May 1, 2025. If you wish to Add or Drop a 4-H Animal Project after April 1, please email Emily Green at: Emily.Green@colostate.edu and ask to Add or Drop the Animal Project. Emily will Add or Drop the 4-H Animal Project on your behalf.

[All 4-H Projects can be Added or Dropped in 4HOnline under the “Projects” Tab.](#)

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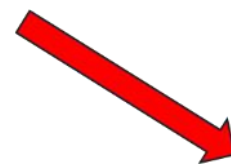
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Colorado 4-H Scholarships

Colorado 4-H awards scholarships annually to outstanding youth who have actively engaged in Colorado 4-H clubs for at least three years. **The scholarship process is open from December 1, 2024, through March 1, 2025.** Scholarship recipients will be announced in May 2025. There are opportunities available for all kinds of students, including those attending CSU or other universities, trade schools or junior colleges, transfer students, and continuing students. We encourage our 4-H participants to apply.

For more information on the scholarship process and scholarships available, visit <https://co4h.colostate.edu/about-us/scholarships/>.

If you have scholarship questions, please contact OEE_4h_scholarships@colostate.edu.



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Visit <https://co4h.colostate.edu/about-us/scholarships/> to learn more about the scholarships available. There are opportunities available for a variety of students, including for those attending CSU or other universities, trade school, junior colleges, transfer students, and continuing students.

OPEN NOW!

**ATTENTION 4-H SENIOR YEAR MEMBERS!
APPLY TODAY!**

Beyond Ready

PROUD TO BE COLORADO 4-H

BEYOND READY

The graphic features a background of colorful geometric shapes (red, yellow, green, blue). On the right, there is a photograph of two young people, a woman and a man, both wearing green 4-H lanyards. The woman is wearing a green t-shirt with 'PROUD TO BE COLORADO 4-H' printed on it. The man is wearing a grey baseball cap with a 4-H logo and a black t-shirt with 'BEYOND READY' printed on it. They are both smiling and looking towards the camera.

Colorado 4-H 2024-2025 E-Records

Now Available for Download!

Hello 4-H Families!

All 4-H E-Records for the 2024-2025 year are NOW AVAILABLE!

Remember—an E-Record is an important element of your 4-H project and required for all Tabletop/General Projects, 4-H Shooting Sports Projects, and for specific Livestock/Animal Projects.

You can find all E-Record requirements in the [El Paso County 4-H Policies for Success](#).

How To Access & Download 4-H E-Records

All 4-H E-Records can be found on the Colorado 4-H Website. E-Records can be downloaded as a PDF or Word Document and can be filled out with a computer or printed out and (neatly!) handwritten.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the PDF or Word Document versions of the 4-H E-Records.

MAKE SURE to download a copy to your files before you begin your work, so you don't lose any data!

E-Records are also available as Google Docs/Sheets this year! Users will be prompted to make a copy of the E-Record file into their own Google Drive before they can edit it.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the Google Docs/Sheets versions of the 4-H E-Records.

MAKE SURE to download a copy to your Google Drive before you begin your work, so you don't lose any data!

Please contact our office with any questions. As a reminder, 4-H Project Manuals are also available for those projects that require them, and can be viewed on the **“Tabletop Project Resources”** Tab. [CLICK HERE](#) to go to that page.

Families can purchase their project manuals/curriculum individually, or through the El Paso County Extension office. Please make sure you give our office a call at: **719-520-7698** to ensure we have what you need in stock before coming in to make your purchases.

Accommodations Form

Hello 4-H Families!

As a reminder to all, El Paso County 4-H and Colorado 4-H firmly believe that all 4-H members should be able to participate in 4-H Events and Activities with their peers successfully. This includes providing reasonable accommodation requests made on behalf of 4-H members. In an effort to streamline accommodation requests, El Paso County 4-H has developed a fillable form that can be accessed via the 4-H Website. This form should be used to request accommodations for each 4-H Event that accommodations may be required.

Colorado 4-H recognizes that accommodations may be requested orally and in person, up to the date of the event. However, the timing and manner of a request potentially reduces county extension’s ability to determine reasonable accommodation. Because it can take time to plan for some accommodations, El Paso County 4-H requests that the form be submitted no later than 14 days prior to the event or activity. Submitting a request for accommodation on a shorter notice may reduce or limit county extension’s ability to implement the accommodations. Please note that the accommodation may not be the one proposed by the participant.

If you have any questions regarding your 4-H member’s participation in a 4-H Event, please email 4-H Specialists Emily Green (Emily.Green@colostate.edu) and Jennifer Loewen (Jennifer.Loewen@colostate.edu) and they can provide additional information.

[LINK](#) to Accommodations Form



Join an Advisory Committee!



WHAT IS A 4-H ADVISORY COMMITTEE?



4-H Advisory Committees are a GREAT way to “Level Up” your involvement in the 4-H Program; especially as a Youth Leader or Adult Volunteer!

- **What do 4-H Advisory Committees do?**

- Advisory members support the committee and 4-H overall with fundraising, constructive feedback and goal-setting.
- Support the creation and evolution of county and project programming.
- Create new and novel educational opportunities for 4-H members.
- Support other 4-H volunteers & members through service and education.
- ...And MUCH MORE!

- **What 4-H Advisory Committees are out there?**

- Dog Advisory Committee
 - Meets: 2nd Monday at 6:00 PM via Zoom
- 4-H Shooting Sports Advisory Committee
 - Meets: 3rd Friday at 6:30 PM at CPW
- Horse Advisory Committee
 - Meets: 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 PM at Akers
- Large Animal/Livestock Advisory Committee
 - Meets: 2nd Thursday at 7:00 PM at Latigo
- Small Animal Advisory Committee
 - Meets 2nd Wednesday 6:00 PM at Akers
- Tabletop Advisory Committee
 - Meets 3rd Thursday at 5:15 PM at the Extension Office



Cloverbud Opportunities



4-H CLOVERBUD NEWS

Hello 4-H Cloverbud Families!
Check out these upcoming fun learning opportunities for Cloverbuds this year!

UPCOMING CLOVERBUD OPPORTUNITIES

El Paso County 4-H - County Contest Day

- Scheduled Saturday, April 12, 2025
- Registration opens Monday, March 3
- Cloverbuds can participate in Bakeology, Interpretive Reading, Performing Arts, & Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks Contests!

El Paso County Fair - Fashion Revue Contest

- Scheduled Wednesday, July 16, 2025
- Registration opens Monday, May 19
- Cloverbuds can participate in Modeling for Fun as well as model their made Clothing Projects!

El Paso County Fair - Tabletop Exhibits



- Exhibits are displayed during El Paso County Fair
- Registration opens Monday, May 19
- Cloverbuds can interview with a judge and have their projects displayed during Fair!

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Join Youth County Council!






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Check It Out!


4-H Youth County Council!






Make a positive impact in El Paso County 4-H! Learn Leadership Skills, Make Friends, & participate in fun opportunities throughout the 4-H Year!







The YCC is also Looking for a 4-H Adult Advisor!

Upcoming Meetings!

MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE LAST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 6:30 PM!

- **JANUARY** - Parade Event Planning (January 28)
- **FEBRUARY** - Event Planning (February 25)
- **MARCH** - Event Planning & Parade (March 25)
- **APRIL** - Event Planning & Cake Builders Academy (April 29)

Where: 5850 Championship View #130, Colorado Springs, CO 80922

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Saint Patrick's Day Parade

Members must RSVP by March 10th [HERE](#)



A vibrant green poster for the Saint Patrick's Day Parade. At the top left is a cartoon leprechaun wearing a green top hat with a gold buckle and a green bow tie. To his right, a white banner with a black border reads "JOIN EL PASO COUNTY 4-H AT THE". Below this, a large yellow rounded rectangle contains the text "SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE!" in bold black letters. To the right of the yellow box, a white speech bubble contains the text "SATURDAY, MARCH 15 @ 12:00". Below the yellow box, a white rounded rectangle contains the text "Come Join El Paso County 4-H in Promoting the 4-H Program!". Below this, a paragraph of text invites 4-H members to walk or ride on the parade float. Below the paragraph, a "Please Note:" section lists two bullet points. At the bottom left, a yellow banner contains the text "QUESTIONS? EMAIL JEN @ JENNIFERLOEWEN@ELPASOCO.COM". At the bottom right, there is a logo for El Paso County Colorado State University Extension, which includes a four-leaf clover and a circular logo with a mountain and sun. A pair of green-rimmed glasses with a shamrock on the temple is also visible on the right side of the poster.

JOIN EL PASO COUNTY 4-H AT THE

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE!

SATURDAY, MARCH 15 @ 12:00

Come Join El Paso County 4-H in Promoting the 4-H Program!

4-H Members are invited to Walk/Ride on the Parade Route with the El Paso County 4-H Float! Wear your 4-H shirts, hoodies and jackets! Otherwise, wear some cool green and gold duds! Shamrock hats, headbands, glasses, etc. also encouraged!

All Walkers and Riders MUST [RSVP at this Google Form to reserve their spot](#). More information about where to meet the group will be sent to participants before parade day.

Please Note:

- All Cloverbud Members MUST ride on the float, and must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- All other members will either walk or ride on the float, depending on participation numbers.

QUESTIONS? EMAIL JEN @ JENNIFERLOEWEN@ELPASOCO.COM

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Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) Training— Last Session April 3, 2025

Meat Quality Assurance Training teaches the youth about the quality of meat and food products that come from livestock. Quality assurance for livestock producers means making a promise to the consumers, or the people who consume the meat, eggs, milk and dairy products, from food production animals. The promise made is that products from livestock will be the highest possible quality and producers will do everything possible to make these products safe to eat. •

MQA Training will be offered twice. For 2024-2025, an interactive classroom style format will be used. The April MQA will be the last session offered.

The project areas required to complete MQA training is goats, sheep, cattle, swine, poultry, and rabbit.

All first year 4-H members must complete Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) in the projects listed above.

Current 4-H members advancing to intermediate (11 years old) or senior (14 years old) must complete a Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) in the projects listed above.

This must be done at least 45 days prior to the El Paso County Fair to be eligible to exhibit at the county and/or state fair(s).

Proof of compliance must be submitted to the El Paso County Extension Office.

If the 4-H member is unable to attend an MQA workshop in El Paso County, the 4-H member may attend an MQA workshop in another county (information for completion must be sent to El Paso County office by the deadline from the county that the MQA training was completed in)

The last MQA session will be offered **April 3, 2025, at 6:00 PM** at the Extension Office (17 N Spruce Street). Please park on the south side parking lot and enter through the Staff Only door on the south side of the building. Please register for MQA with this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSepPe6DJlJQyzkyvgaWo2ag3rl_Yi6WZBKVzyoFt2eJL80Rg/viewform?usp=header

Animal ID's

Checklist requirements for Animal ID's. A quick easy way to make sure you have all the information needed for your Animal ID to be approved. Please click this [LINK](#) for the checklist requirements.

Animal ID's in 4HOnline due by **April 30th, 2025**. Animals that need to be in 4HOnline are horse, miniature horse, pygmy goat, dairy goat, breeding livestock (swine, goat, sheep, and cattle), cat, dog, and camelids (llama/alpaca). If Animal ID's for the above projects are not in by April 30th, the animals are not eligible to show at the county fair.



Photo courtesy of Flying M Photography

4-H/FFA Community Service Award

Dear 4-H/FFA Families,

Happy 2025 from your Fair Advisory Board Executive Committee! As we welcome in the new year, we would like to make you all aware of the big changes we have made to what was previously the 4-H/FFA Community Service Award. After much consideration, we wanted to make this award more accessible to our El Paso County 4-H and FFA participants. The new criterion for applicants is as follows:

1. Applicant must be an active member of a 4-H club or FFA chapter.
2. Applicant must have completed at least 20 volunteer hours within the past year.
3. Applicant must demonstrate leadership, teamwork, and commitment to community service.
4. Applicant must be over eight years of age at the time of application.
5. Applicant must be an exhibitor in the current year's County fair.

If chosen to receive this award, you will receive a certificate, check, be featured in the Fair Guide, and an invitation to the VIP Reception at the Fair where you will be recognized. The award itself has been doubled and is now \$1,000. Along with receiving the award, the recipient will be expected to give a presentation at one of the Fair Advisory Meetings, highlighting your plans to use the funds received whether it be your education, 4-H/FFA project, etc.

Applications will be online at ElPasoCountyFair.com and must be submitted by April 30 to be considered for the 2025 El Paso County 4-H/FFA Award.

We are very excited for the future of this program as well as the future of our exceptional youth in agriculture.

Best Regards,

El Paso County Fair Advisory Board Executive Committee

Kate Johnson – Chair

Michael Publicker – Vice Chair

Jeff Lapsansky – Secretary

4-H/FFA Community Service Award Continued

For more award information, click [HERE](#)

4-H/FFA Community Service **AWARD**



The Fair Advisory Board would like to honor an outstanding 4-H or FFA participant that goes above and beyond their normal club responsibilities.

Eligibility

- ✓ 1. Active member of a 4-H club or FFA chapter.
- ✓ 2. Completed at least 20 volunteer hours within the past year.
- ✓ 3. Demonstrate leadership, teamwork, and commitment to community service.
- ✓ 4. Over eight years of age at the time of application.
- ✓ 5. Exhibit in the current year's County fair.



Scan the QR Code to
go directly to the
website

APPLY BY APRIL 30, 2025

County Contest Day 2025 Information

Hello 4-H Families!

The El Paso 4-H County Contest is almost here!

What is 4-H County Contest? This county-wide 4-H event is a wonderful opportunity for 4-H members to practice **public speaking, critical thinking and develop self-confidence by sharing a 4-H topic or skill in front of an audience!** Whether it's baking a cookies in Bakeology, performing a demonstration on robotics, or sharing a skill in singing, dancing, or performing—County Contest is a **GREAT** way to get out there and practice your 4-H life skills! The sky is the limit! 😊 Junior, Intermediate, Senior AND Cloverbud members are invited to participate!

Interested in participating? Great! [Click here to see the County Contest Rules & Event Packet!](#)

The 2025 El Paso County 4-H County Contest will be held **Saturday, April 12, starting at 9:00 AM at the El Paso County Extension Office** **(Final schedule to follow registration).**

Registration Opens: Monday, March 3, 2025 in [FairEntry](#).

Registration Closes: Friday, March 14, 2025 (No Late Registrations Accepted)

Registration Payment Deadline: All Payments DUE Wednesday, March 19, 2025

- \$7 per member (covers unlimited contests)
- \$20 for families with 3 or more registered members (covers unlimited contests)

All Registration fees will be collected via Eventbrite.com. Please Note: You will be provided a payment link from the El Paso County Extension Office AFTER your registration is received AND complete in [FairEntry.com](#).

4-H Volunteers—please share this with your 4-H members who might be interested!

Please let me know if you have any questions—and we look forward to seeing what amazing things you can do! 😊

County Contest Day 2025 Flyer

[LINK](#) to the County Contest Rule Packet, Scoresheets, & more



The flyer is for the El Paso 4-H County Contest Day 2025. It features a bright yellow background with various colorful illustrations including musical notes, a microphone, a cupcake, a guitar, a horseshoe, a mixer, and theatrical masks. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical manner, starting with the event name and date, followed by the featured contests, registration details, and contact information.

REGISTER FOR THE...

El Paso 4-H County Contest Day!

Show off your Skills on the Big Stage!

Featuring:

- Bakeology Contest
- Public Speaking Contests
- Cake Decorating Contest
- Horse Project Presentation Contest
- Performing Arts Contests

SAT

APRIL 12, 2025

Contest Starts @ 9:00 AM
(schedule to follow)

All Contests held at:
El Paso County Extension Office
17 N. Spruce Street, 80905

Register in FairEntry!

- Registration **OPENS Monday, March 3, 2025**
- Registration **CLOSES Friday, March 14, 2025**
 - NO late registrations will be accepted.
 - \$7 per member
 - \$20 for families with 3 or more registrants
- All Fees due via Eventbrite.com by **Wednesday, March 26, 2025**
 - Payment link will be sent when registration is received

Junior, Intermediates, Seniors and Cloverbud members are all encouraged to participate!

Email Jen at: Jennifer.Loewen@colostate.edu with questions!

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El Paso County 4-H Camp

Hello 4-H members 8-13!

Are you ready for an AWESOME Summer Camp experience? Enroll in El Paso County 4-H Camp Today!



We are excited to announce our first annual 4-H Summer Camp *just* for El Paso County 4-H members! This 3-day overnight camp has ALL your favorite camp activities—roasting s’mores, making new friends, playing wacky games, getting out in the great Colorado outdoors—and more! ☺

Camp will be led by El Paso County 4-H Youth Camp Counselors, and held in beautiful Beulah, Colorado. **Space is limited**—snag your spot in El Paso County 4-H Camp today! (check out the attached flyer for more details!

Camp Details:

When: June 1 - June 3, 2025 (overnight camp)

Where: Nature & Wildlife Discovery Center – [Horseshoe Lodge & Retreat Center](#), Beulah, CO

Cost: \$125 per camper (*plus \$10 EventBrite fee*)

- Registration Opens March 1
- Registration Closes April 1
- All Payments due Friday, April 11 by 5:00 PM

Registration Information:

Space is limited! Register today!

Registration is considered complete when Campers have purchased an Eventbrite ticket AND completed their camp enrollment in 4HOnline.

Campers must first purchase their camp ticket through [Eventbrite](#).

After purchasing your ticket, complete your camper’s registration information through [4HOnline](#).

- o Login to 4HOnline, select camper name, click “Events” and “Register for a New Event” button, select “El Paso County 4-H Camp” from selection.

Grab your sunscreen and hiking boots and get ready to have an AWESOME summer camp experience!

Life Skills Workshop & Summer Dance Flyer

Registration [LINK](#)

FREE LIFE SKILLS WORKSHOP!

AGES 14-18

INTERESTED IN LEARNING HOW TO BETTER MANAGE STRESS?

WANT TO LEARN HOW TO DEVELOP COPING STRATEGIES THAT MAKE YOUR LIFE EASIER?

WANT TO KNOW HOW YOUR MENTAL HEALTH CAN BE IMPACTED BY ACADEMICS, SOCIAL MEDIA & PEER PRESSURE?

LEARN ALL THESE SKILLS AND MORE AT THE 1-HOUR WORKSHOP SPONSORED BY EL PASO COUNTY 4-H & TESSA!

Registered Workshop participants are invited to attend the Summer Bash Dance for FREE directly after the workshop!

Life Skills Workshop Start Time: 6:00 PM on May 2, 2025

MAY 2, 2025

Live DJ!

Dance: 7:00-9:00 PM

- Concessions will be available for purchase!

Pricing:

- \$1 for Ages 12 & under
- \$5 for Ages 14 & Up (youth 14 and up attend for free if the member attends the workshop schedule prior to the dance)

Address:

Swink Hall at 366 10th St Calhan, CO 80808

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4-H Youth Camp Counselors Wanted!

Link to Camp Counselor Application Form [HERE](#)



4-H YOUTH CAMP COUNSELORS WANTED!

We are looking for 4-H members aged 13 - 18 to serve as 4-H Camp Counselors at fun upcoming 4-H Events this summer!

4-H Youth Camp Counselors Will:

- Meet new people and make new friends.
- Learn new skills and gain valuable 4-H Leadership experience.
- Make a positive impact in the 4-H Community
- Gain valuable 4-H-Sponsored Community Service hours!
- **APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY, APRIL 4!**

WE WANT YOU!

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Please email any questions to:

Jen Loewen at: Jennifer.Loewen@colostate.edu

El Paso County 4-H Camp:

- June 1, 2 & 3 2025 (Overnight Camp)
- Must be 14 or older to apply
- Counselors will help plan camp theme and activities, and lead 4-H groups!

Cake Builders Academy Day Camp:

- June 9, 10, 11, 2025 (Multi-Day Camp)
- 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM each day
- Counselors will teach fun cake decorating skills--no experience needed!
- Counselors age 13-18

Summer Fest! Day Camp:

- Friday, June 13 (Single-Day Camp)
- 7:45 AM - 5:00 PM
- Counselors will plan activities and lead workshops!
- Counselors age 13-18

Please Scan the QR to Apply to become a 4-H Camp Counselor this summer!

El Paso County 4-H Speech Workshop



JOIN US FOR THE...

EL PASO COUNTY 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING WORKSHOP!

Get ready for an evening of Fun Public Speaking Activities!

- Learn about the 7 Elements of Public Speaking
- Discover ways to Fight Stage Fright
- Play Fun Games
- Face the infamous “Bucket of Doom”
- ... and Much More!



Wednesday, March 26, 6:00 - 7:30 PM
@ the El Paso County Extension Office
(17 N. Spruce Street, 80905)



This event is FREE--but Registration is Required.

- **Registration OPENS March 1, 2025.**
- Limited to first 30 registrants
- Cloverbud, Junior & Intermediate Members invited to attend!

Please register in 4HOnline by March 14, 2025.



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Youth Fest Information

Hello Member 4-H Age 11-13!

Colorado 4-H Youth Fest is coming this March! Do you want the opportunity to meet with other 4-H members from across the state, play wacky games and participate in awesome leadership activities put on by the Colorado 4-H Senate?? Then 4-H Youth Fest is for you! 😊

Youth Fest will be held onsite at the Growing Minds Dorms at the Colorado State Fairgrounds in Pueblo, March 28-30th this year. The Camp cost is \$115.00 per participant.

Transportation to and from the Fairgrounds must be provided by a 4-H parent/guardian. We encourage you to carpool!

How to Enroll:

Enrollment is open now in 4HOnline: (<https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>)

- **Registration CLOSES Friday, March 7**
- **All payments are due to the Extension Office by Friday, March 14 by 5:00 PM.**

Registration Payments:

ALL Registration Fees are due to the Extension Office by Friday, March 14, by 5:00 PM.

There are three ways to pay your registration fee:

- **Write a check.**
- Checks should be made out to Colorado State University Extension (please put “El Paso County 4-H - Youth Fest” in the memo line)
- Checks should be brought to the Extension Office (17 N. Spruce Street, 80905). *Please note that the Office is closed from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM each day for lunch.*
- **Pay with Cash.**
- Cash should be brought to the Extension Office (17 N. Spruce Street, 80905) *Please note that the Office is closed from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM each day for lunch.*
- **Credit/Debit Card payment in-person or over the phone.**
- Please note that there **MAY** be a nominal service fee added to any credit or debit card charge.

The El Paso County Ag Youth Foundation has support funds available to interested participants!

- Please see the attached form to request support funds.

Please mail your application to:

- **El Paso County Ag Youth Foundation**

c/o Kathy Hisey, President
24 Circle C Road
Fountain, CO 80817

Or email to epcagyouth@gmail.com

- **Please note that funds are retroactive, and any funds received will arrive after members pay the office. Members MUST pay the full fee to the Extension Office. All support funds are handled through the El Paso County**

Youth Fest Flyer

The flyer features a background of an old map and a compass rose. A large wooden sailing ship with black sails is positioned on the right side. The text is overlaid on this background. At the bottom left, there is a green four-leaf clover logo with the text 'Beyond Ready' below it. The main title 'Youth Fest 2025' is in large red letters. Below it, the tagline 'Set sails on a New Adventure' is in a teal script font. The dates and location are in bold black text. The registration fee section is underlined. The registration opening date is in large bold black letters at the bottom right.

Youth Fest 2025

“Set sails on a New Adventure”

March 28–30th
State Fairgrounds,
Pueblo, CO

Registration Fee:
4-H Youth 11–13: \$115
Adult Chaperone: \$115
4-H Youth Counselors 14+: \$60


**Beyond
Ready**

**4-H Online Registration opens
February 10th**

Link to Register [HERE](#)



FORECASTING FUTURE LEADERS

CALLING ALL METEOROLOGISTS!

The District 3 Senate invites you to spend a day of Weather-Related Fun with us at the Douglas County Fairgrounds!

- **Date:** Saturday, April 5
- **Time:** 11:00 AM – 3:30 PM
- **Location:** Kirk Hall, Douglas County Fairgrounds
- **For:** Ages 8-10 (as of 12/31/2024)
 - Open to Adams, Arapahoe, Douglas, El Paso, Jefferson & Gilpin County 4-H Members
- **Cost:** \$25 (Cash or check at the door)
- **Click Here to Register**
 - Registration Opens January 16, 2025
 - Registration Closes Friday, March 7, 2025

*This Retreat will “Blow You Away!”
Come “Chill” with us! Don’t “Mist” it!*

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Dog Project Fundraisers

Red Robin® will give

**20% OF FOOD SALES*
BACK TO**

EL PASO COUNTY 4-H DOG PROJECT

Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to
your server to have your sales counted.

FUNDRAISER DETAILS

3770 Bloomington Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80922

March 4, 2025*

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1 Start your order at order.redrobin.com and select the restaurant above.
- 2 In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that.
- 3 Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4 Add your meal items and check out.
- 5 Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location is curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

*Fundraiser during restaurant operating hours. Visit redrobin.com and find this location to verify. Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering locations, 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.

Red Robin

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WITH CHIPOTLE**



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25% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19TH | 5-9PM
7565 FALCON MARKET PL, FALCON, CO, 80831

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **2EGRHYB**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

REPORTERS ROUND UP

FOOD DRIVE FOR ACTS



PANTRY

CLUB: A-OK

REPORTER: LYDIA GINSBURG



A-OK members collected non-perishable food during our January and February club meetings. Donations included pasta & spaghetti sauce, rice, peanut butter & jelly, soup, tuna, and other items. This drive was very successful because we collected close to 300 pounds of food for the ACTS Pantry. Special thanks to our volunteer, Rebekah Zettlemoyer, for organizing this community service event and dropping off the donations at Woodmen Valley Chapel!



"It was good to help a local pantry restock their shelves after the holidays. Our club enjoyed helping families in need."

March Miniature Horse Clinic

April 26, 2025—Gymkhana & Clipping Clinic at Owens Arena 10:00 AM



Photo courtesy of Flying M Photography

Showmanship Clinic



SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC

**LEARN FROM THE BEST
INSTRUCTORS IN OUR COUNTY!**

AUTUMN & JESSE

26 APRIL 2025
1:00 PM WALK TROT/NOVICE
2:00 PM LIMITED & ADVANCED
Owens Arena at the Fairgrounds



Ring Etiquette & Show Clothing Course

Ring Etiquette & Show Clothing Course

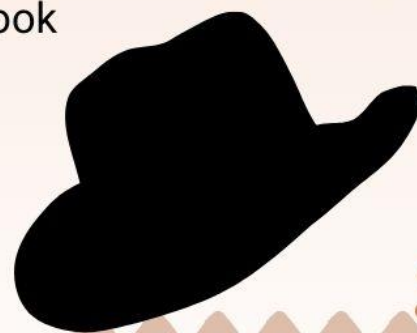
March

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2025

Come learn about the importance of show etiquette and expectations of showing while also going over ideas for show clothes. Feel free to bring show clothes you are wanting to sell or get out of your closet for others to look at!

6:00 PM
LATIGO
COMMUNITY
ROOM



Swine Tag Pick Up

1. Any youth member that plans on showing MARKET Swine at the County Fair needs to fill out the Google Survey by April 2, 2025.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfsnyO6IFcukk3SVZFYXo1pS7ex4J52Uz9d46pexoqwNWk8pA/viewform?usp=dialog>

2. Please make sure that the youth member is enrolled in the 4-H Program under the Market Swine Project in 4HOnline. Members/Families will not be given tags until the member is actively enrolled in the 4HOnline system. There are NO EXCEPTIONS to this rule.

3. The Swine project members are responsible for tagging their own animals, pulling DNA samples, and filling out county/state fair nomination forms.

4. Mark your calendars for **Swine Tag Pick Up on April 17th, 2025 at Swink Hall (El Paso County Fairgrounds) from 5:00 PM—6:00 PM to pick up tags.** Please remember important items the night you attend.

A. DNA envelopes cost \$3 per animal (CASH)

B. State fair nominations cost \$3 per animal (CASH)

C. The money will be collected on April 17, 2025, in CASH only

D. First year families are required to attend the tagging clinic at 4:30 PM that night BEFORE they can receive their tags.

Swine Tag Pick Up Continued

5. For tagging your own hogs, you will need to purchase a tagger if you do not already own one. It must be a specific brand to work with the Y-Tag tags that you will receive. These are two links attached as a reference to what you need to purchase.

A. UltraTagger Compact by Y-Tag (This is the recommended one that features a quick release pin) https://www.valleyvet.com/ct_detail.html?pgguid=448C7D11-2EAE-430F-B7F7-8D0D12EE88D4

B. UltraTagger Plus Applicator by Y-Tag https://www.valleyvet.com/ct_detail.html?pgguid=30E0767B-7B6A-11D5-A192-00B0D0204AE5

It is also recommended that you have blood stop, corn starch, or baking flour on hand in case you hit a vein when tagging. If you hit a vein and the bleeding does not stop within 15-20 minutes, contact your local vet.

6. We will have detailed instructions in the packet available for families to use.

7. Once the 4-H Families have picked up their packets, tagged their hogs, and filled out the required paperwork please mark your calendars for **Thursday May 1st, 2025 from 5:00 PM—6:00 PM to drop off your packets in Owens Arena (El Paso County Fairgrounds).**

8. Please use the original packet given to you to store all your required elements. The checklist of what should be in the packet is:

A. DNA Envelopes sealed with provided sticker

B. County Fair Nomination Forms (and State Fair Nomination Form if applicable), make sure all information is filled out along with signatures

C. Clearly printed photographs of hogs (what is required for the photos to be stated in your packet when you pick it up)

D. Any extra tags you did not use.

Market Goat and Sheep Tag In

Thursday May 1, 2025 Owens Arena—El Paso County Fairgrounds

- Any youth member that plans on showing MARKET Goat and/or Sheep at County Fair needs to fill out this Google Survey below by April 16, 2025.
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdNnpT9GgZJo8nl6SadHiHM-axBMCsUX3twhbg2nZsZT4H-2w/viewform>
- We will not be differentiating between species so being goats and/or sheep. Families can come between 5:00 PM—7:00 PM. Please note the office closes at 7:00 PM SHARP. No Exceptions.
- If our team is running behind, please be patient as we are working with live animals, technology, and a new process so sometimes it does not go as planned or expected.
- Only CASH will be accepted on the day of tag in (read below for details on price breakouts)
- REMEMBER: All animals must be castrated prior to being weighed and tagged in a 4-H Market project. Castration must be done prior to arriving at the fairgrounds (Not the day of tag in) and healed as much as possible.

Market Goat and Sheep Tag In Continued

- Things to know before coming:
 - You must bring your animal with a halter already on before it is unloaded, or it will not be tagged or weighed. The idea is to work with them ahead of time.
 - If your animals are sick or show signs of sore mouth and/or fungus, please email Emily.Green@colostate.edu and we will have you go across the scale and tag in at the end.
 - Market ewes and market does MUST have scrapies tags before tag in .
 - Please park your truck and trailers in the South Parking Lot and stay off the concrete in the Owens Livestock Arena.
 - Youth will walk their animals through the south sheep/goat barn and into the arena.
 - Tag in is the only time State Fair Nominations will be taken and will cost \$3 to nominate per animal (CASH ONLY).
 - Remember all 4-H Exhibitors must have their premise ID# on their nomination cards to be accepted for State Fair. This is a State Fair Policy. NOT a requirement to participate at the County Level. This information should be completed on ALL cards at the time of tag in.
 - You will need to apply for your premise ID number well in advance of tag in, so they have time to assign you one. Please do so 3-4 weeks before you need it. Please call 303-869-9000 to get your ID or visit the website at <https://ag.colorado.gov/animals/colorado-location-identification-lid-registration-premises>
 - Retinal scans at tag in are \$3 per animal due at tag in (CASH ONLY).
 - The first 6 ear tags are free, \$1 per tag over 6.
 - Only cash will be accepted.
 - Fees are due on the date of tag in.
 - If the weather is bad, please understand we will need to block off a different day in May.

Market Beef Re-Weigh for Rate of Gain Contest

If you have youth enrolled in the market beef project that are interested in entering the rate of gain contest for market beef, the re-weigh in date will be on **FRIDAY May 9th from 5:00 PM—6:00 PM**. If you miss the time frame for re-weigh you will not be eligible for the contest, no exceptions. The animals must be led across the parking lot and scale as there will not be any alley ways to help guide. To be eligible for this contest, one of the required steps is going to the re-weigh date listed above. The entire contest is outlined in the premium book if you have more questions.



Registration [LINK](#)

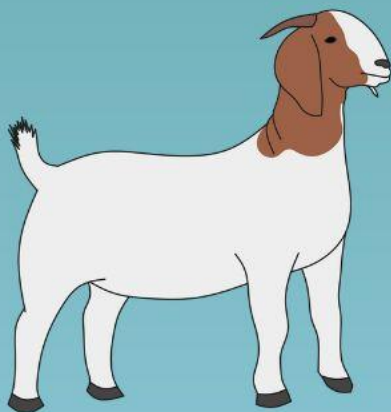
Dr. Balch Kidding Clinic

*Come learn all the ins-and-outs about kidding,
and gain more animal husbandry knowledge!*

March 27, 2025

6:00 PM

3255 Akers Building



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Registration [LINK](#)



>>> EL PASO COUNTY PRESENTS

BEEF BLOW N GO SHOW

BREEDING BEEF CLASSES
MARKET BEEF CLASSES
SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

 **PRE-ENTRY** is \$30 a head and must be paid in advance through Eventbrite by April 2, 2025

 **DAY OF ENTRY** is \$45 a head (check or cash)

 **SHOWMANSHIP** is \$10 a head and paid at the gate in cash (80/20 split)

 **PRIZE\$\$\$** will be awarded to Grand and Reserve Champion in Breeding and Market

 **EMAIL** Emily.Green@colostate.edu for questions

WEIGH IN 7:30-9:00 AM
SHOW START TIME 10:00 AM

April 5, 2025

366 10th St. Calhan, CO 80808 <<<

Senior Banners for Livestock Youth

For all large livestock 4-H members in their senior year of high school for the 2025 County Fair please email a high quality senior picture for your large livestock senior banner. You must be enrolled in a livestock project and **SHOW AT THE 2025 COUNTY FAIR** to request a banner. Please send it to Becky Chamblin by Tuesday April 1, 2025 at becco75@yahoo.com.

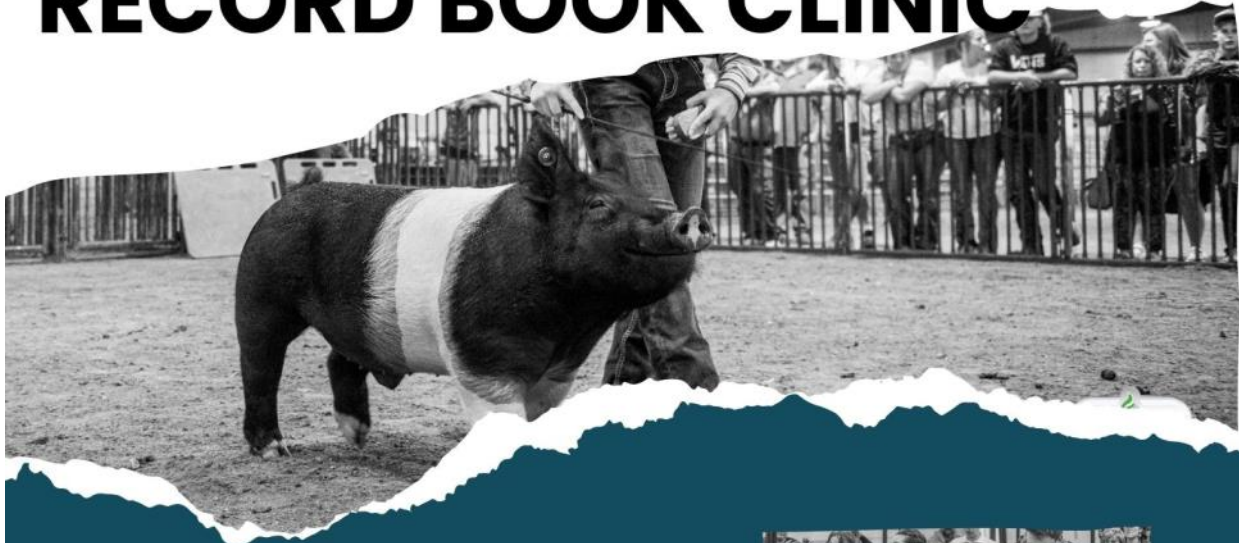


Photo courtesy of Flying M Photography

Livestock Record Book Clinic

Registration Link for Record Book Clinic [HERE](#)

Livestock RECORD BOOK CLINIC



Outline

- ✓ Tips and Tricks
- ✓ Q & A Session
- ✓ Review the rubric
- ✓ Drawing for free record book covers

April 1, 2025

6:00 PM at 3255 Akers



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First Year Market Lamb Program

Application can be found [HERE](#)

To help grow and incentivize starting a Market Lamb Project, we have started the First Year Market Lamb Program. This program will provide the 4-H member with a market lamb to show at this year's County Fair. The member will exhibit the lamb in both the regular market class as well as a special class for first year market lamb program participants.

Guidelines include the following:

- 4-H Members enrolled in their first year of the lamb project will learn more about their project through monthly project meetings. Participants will need to attend 3 of 5 educational meetings or they may substitute one of the meetings by exhibiting at a prospect or jackpot show.
- Any member is welcome to attend one of the clinics (Open to anyone interested in learning about the sheep project).

Clinics will be held on:

- Feb 24th at 6:30pm Akers
- March 26th at 6:30 p.m. Akers
- April 23rd at 6:00 p.m. Akers
- May 21st at 6:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds
- June 4th at 6:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds

Subjects and speakers will be announced in 4-H Friday Emails.

- Members will receive one market lamb through this program to be paid for from their sale proceeds (from any animal they choose to sell through the junior livestock sale at the county fair not to exceed \$500).
- They will exhibit in the special First Year Program Class during the County Fair, as well as the regular market class and showmanship. Youth should plan on purchasing a second market lamb on their own. Members do not need to purchase the second, but lambs do not do well alone, so a buddy should be purchased. Siblings may not need to do this if both qualify for the First Year Program.
- The First Year Program is only available to 4-H Members in their first year of the project, but the educational sessions are open to all 4-H Members, regardless of experience. Watch for more details in the next newsletter as well as the dates of the educational programs which will start in February!

Sue Crozier Livestock Scholarship

Find the Application Form [HERE](#)

All materials should be sent directly to:

EL PASO COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE COMMITTEE

%Patty Woodard

33004 E. US Highway 24

Calhan, CO 80808



All envelopes must bear a courier postmark indicating it was accepted at a postal outlet by or on April 15, 2025. A metered postmark is not acceptable.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAIL

1. As many as two (2) scholarships of up to \$1,000 each will be budgeted for 2025.
2. The El Paso County Junior Livestock Sale Committee (Sale Committee) will determine the number of scholarships and amounts awarded.
3. Applicants may be interviewed by a panel of members designated by the Sale Committee.
4. All decisions by the Sale Committee will be final.
5. Scholarships will be awarded to the recipient after providing proof of satisfactory performance of being a full-time student for one semester or term and proof of registration for the following semester or term from the school/college/university.
 - A. Transcript and proof of enrollment should be sent to the Manager of the Sale Committee for payment of the scholarship funds to either the recipient or educational institution as directed.
6. In the event that the scholarship recipient leaves school, the recipient will be allowed a **one (1)** year period to re-register at an institution of higher learning in order to continue the scholarship.
7. Scholarship recipients will be chosen and notified no later than June 10, 2025.
8. Announcement of scholarship award winners will be made during the Junior Livestock Sale at the El Paso County Fair.
9. Any violations of the 4-H or FFA Code of Conduct and/or Code of Ethics by a scholarship recipient will be grounds for the Sale Committee to rescind an awarded scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY

High School graduating senior or college freshman enrolled in any Market Projects, Large & Small Animal Projects with the expectation for completion in August 2025.

A Sue Crozier Livestock Committee Scholarship may be received only once.

QUALIFICATIONS

Enrolled in the El Paso County 4-H or FFA Livestock Program the year applying.

Satisfactory completion of a livestock project the year applying.

Minimum of three years in 4-H or FFA club work (can be elsewhere).

Minimum of three years successful completion of market livestock projects.

Students applying for the Scholarship must be enrolled in a livestock project, but do not necessarily have to be enrolled in a market livestock project, as long as they have successfully previously completed three years in a market livestock project.

Participation in 4-H and FFA livestock activities, county fair, livestock judging, etc., to the degree your education or work schedule allows.

Minimum of a 3.2 out of 4.0 high school grade point average – and college GPA if applicable.

Sue Crozier Livestock Scholarship Continued

Find the Application Form [HERE](#)

REQUIREMENTS

1. Completed application.

A. Signed by applicant

B. Signed by parent/guardian

2. OFFICIAL transcripts from school(s) attended. If currently enrolled in college, include **BOTH** high school and college transcripts.

A. High school transcripts must include grades 10, 11 and 12.

B. Transcripts must be **certified and sealed by the issuing schools** and may be included with the application or sent directly from the school(s) to the Committee.

C. Students already in college must be designated as “full-time students” by their institution

D. Home-schooled applicants should contact the committee for guidelines on submitting Home- school transcripts.

3. TWO Letters of Recommendation are required as follows:

A. One from your **Club or Project Leader**

B The **second** from a **current teacher or professor**.

i. If home-schooled, the applicant should endeavor to get a recommendation from an educational mentor other than, or in addition to, his/her parent instructor.

C. LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION SHOULD CONTAIN:

1. Applicant's potential for doing satisfactory work in higher education.

2. Applicant's interest in 4-H/FFA purposes and interest in activities involving livestock.

3. Letters should be in **sealed envelopes** and may be included in packets from the applicant or mailed directly to the Committee by the author.

4. A photo of you and your livestock project.

5. The following **must** bear a courier postmark indicating it was accepted at a postal outlet by or on April 15, 2025. A metered postmark is not acceptable.

A. Completed and signed application;

B. Required transcripts;

C. Two letters of recommendation; and

D. Photo of you and your livestock project.

6. The application will be reviewed by the Sale Committee to ensure all qualification and requirements are satisfied. The applicant may then be contacted to schedule an interview



Rabbit Meetings
El Paso County 4-H Extension Office
17 N. Spruce St. North classroom bottom floor

Bring your bunny in a carrier with no hay please!

Every second Thursday of the month

5:30pm
Please park on the south side and wait by the employee entrance door

Starting October 2024

November meeting will be on the 12th same time and place, then things will go back to normal starting December.

Questions?
Kylie Farr
719-400-5041



CAVY MEETINGS

Bring your cavy in a carrier, PLEASE NO HAY, come ready to learn and practice showmanship

First Wednesdays | At 5:30 PM

Extension Office 17 N. Spruce St.
North classroom

Questions?



719-400-5041



Smiley.kyliejk94@gmail.com





Cat Project Meeting

March 11, 5pm

On Zoom

Email Racheal for the
link to join us!

rboynton15@hotmail.com

Mock Dog Show

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfpefihv7mEdPuiUb5-0w8VBAZWt5s8zOXO62ektaYFhBE-rw/viewform>



El Paso County Fairgrounds in Whittemore
366 10th St Calhan, CO 80808
Start Time- 9:00 AM

APRIL 13, 2025



Receive guidance and support from seasoned volunteers and youth



Practice a show ring setting



Scent Work Demonstration



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Tabletop Project Manuals

4-H TABLETOP PROJECT MEMBERS – ORDER YOUR 4-H PROJECT MANUALS TODAY!

Welcome to another exciting 4-H year! Are you interested in participating in a 4-H Tabletop/General Project this year? Not sure where to get started?

Start by taking a look at the 4-H Project Manual and Curriculum for each project!

To see all Project 4-H Manuals in use for the 2024-2025 4-H year, please [CLICK THIS LINK.](#)

Families can purchase their project manuals/curriculum individually, or through the El Paso County Extension office. Please make sure you give our office a call at: **719-520-7698** to ensure we have what you need in stock before coming in to make your purchases.

Not all Tabletop/General Projects require a manual purchase each year—please review the 4-H Project Manual list for further information about what books are required each year, for each project.

For more project information, please check out the [Colorado 4-H Project Information](#) page.

Keep an eye out for the El Paso County 4-H Exhibit Requirements expected in the next couple months!

Please contact Jen Loewen with any Tabletop/General Project questions!

Jen Loewen

JenniferLoewen@elpasoco.com



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Tabletop Temperatures

Find this brand new guide to help pick your Tabletop Project!

[Tabletop Temperatures Guide LINK](#)



Find award details [HERE](#)



EL PASO COUNTY 4-H TABLETOP STAR AWARD



YOU could be eligible to Compete for the Tabletop STAR Award -- Get Qualified Today!



STEP 1:
Enroll in 2 or More
Tabletop Projects!

Select Projects
by **April 1**

To qualify as a STAR Award Candidate, members must enroll in 2 Tabletop projects (or 2 units within a project) **AND receive a Blue award in BOTH** at the El Paso County Fair. You **MUST** enroll in your Tabletop projects by April 1, 2025!



STEP 3:
Fill out/return your
STAR Activity Chart!

STAR Chart Due
**Friday,
September 5**

Once you've qualified by participating in a County Contest and receiving 2 or more Blue awards, you will need to fill out your El Paso County STAR Activity Chart. These points will be totaled and added to your final point total!



STEP 5:
Top 5 Candidates are
Selected to Interview!

Interviews Held
**3rd Week of
September**

Once the Top 5 Candidates in each age division are selected based on their point totals, candidates will be invited to interview with the Tabletop Advisory Committee! Candidates will:

- Interview with the Committee
- Take a 4-H Knowledge Quiz
- Bring in a Representative E-Record from the current year



STEP 2:
Participate in a
County Contest!

County Contest
is held **Saturday
April 12**

To qualify as a STAR Award Candidate, members must participate in a County Contest or a County Contest held during the El Paso County Fair. Participation in the 4-H Shooting Sports Competition & Robotics/Rocketry Contest count too! Enrollment for the County Contest starts in **March, 2025**, El Paso County Fair Registration starts in **May, 2025**

Points Talled in
**1st Week of
September**

STEP 4:
Point Totals are Talled
by the Committee!

In the 1st week of September, the Tabletop Advisory Committee will tally all the points earned by Candidates in several areas:

- STAR Activity Charts
- County Fair Awards received
- State Fair Awards received
- County Competition Awards received

4-H Achievement
Awards is in
October!

STEP 6:
Attend 4-H
Achievement Awards!

Attend the 4-H Achievement Awards Ceremony--the Top 3 Candidates in each age division will be awarded Gold, Silver or Bronze STAR Awards!

Find all Award Details at:
<https://elpaso.extension.colostate.edu/4-h-family-resources/>




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<https://colst.org/OWM3A>

March:

- Saturday 1st 9:00 AM—12:00 Noon - Pistol Berm
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-54337087-03012025#/>
- Thursday 6th 6:00—8:00 PM Rifle at CPW
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-55327218-03062025#/>
- Thursday 13th 6:30 PM—8:00 PM Archery at CPW
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-55327126-03132025#/>
- Saturday 15th 9:00 AM—12:00 Noon —Archery & Shotgun
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-54337147-03152025#/>
- Sunday 16th 9:00—12:00 PM Noon—Large Informal Pit
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-54336877-02122025#/>
- Thursday 20th 6:30 PM—8:00 PM Rifle at CPW
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-55327220-03202025#/>
- Thursday 27th 6:30 PM—8:00 PM - Archery at CPW
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-55327134-03272025#/>
- Friday 28th 10:00 AM—1:00 PM Shotgun at Pikes Peak Gun Club
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABA62AA0FA7-55327988-03282025#/>

Colorado 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Trainings - Registrations dates now available!

Hello 4-H Volunteers and Senior 4-H Members! Are you interested in earning a certification in a 4-H Shooting Sports Discipline? Becoming a State-Certified 4-H Shooting Sports Volunteer/Youth Leader makes you eligible to help train and assist 4-H members on the line! Interested? Consider enrolling in a training today!

- **Cost:** \$135 per training, per person – **Cash or Check ONLY**

- o Please make checks out to the EPC 4-H Shooting Sports Advisory Committee, with the name of the county training in the MEMO line.

- Volunteers can only certify in ONE discipline per weekend.
- Volunteers MUST attend the duration of the training to receive their certification.

Schedule for all trainings:

- March 7-9, 2025: [Morgan County](#) (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, and Archery)
 - o Registration opens January 24 - February 21
- March 14-16, 2025: [Weld County](#) (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, and Orion), Orion training in conjunction with this training
 - o Registration opens January 31 - February 28
- March 21-23, 2025: [Pueblo County](#) (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloading, Western Heritage, Hunting and Outdoor Skills)
 - o Registration opens February 7 - March 7
- March 28-30, 2025: [Garfield County](#) (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloading, Western Heritage, Hunting and Outdoor Skills)
 - o Registration opens February 14 - March 14

Reminder: All volunteers must be enrolled and approved 4-H volunteers before they can register for the trainings.

Flyers for individual trainings can be viewed on the [State Website](#).

Jonathan Marr 4-H Memorial Scholarship

One \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior 4-H Member who has been enrolled in Shooting Sports for a minimum of four years. This scholarship is intended to assist individuals entering a postsecondary vocational or technical field, such as welding, carpentry, mechanics, etc.

Application Requirements:

- Applicants will need to submit three letters of recommendation. **One from their Extension 4-H Agent, one from their County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator or Coach and one from a non-relative adult.**
- Each applicant will also need to provide an essay on what they have done in 4-H, what they have learned or gained from being involved in 4-H, why they are applying and what they plan to do in the future.
- All required materials are due no later than April 1 of the current year.

A committee comprised of 4-H shooting sport instructors and Marr family members will determine the recipient. Please send all required materials listed above to Margaret Marr at 7108 Highway 34, Yuma, Colorado 80759. All required materials are due no later than April 1 of the current year.

https://co4h.colostate.edu/ss/forms/jonathan-marr-scholarship.pdf?utm_source=marketingcloud&utm_medium=email

Hello 4-H Shooting Sports Members (and potential members!)

Are you enrolled in 4-H Shooting Sports? Do you have your Hunters Safety & Education Certification Card? Read On!

To be eligible to compete in the El Paso County 4-H County and State Competitions, 4-H members enrolled in any 4-H Shooting Sports Discipline **MUST** obtain a Colorado Division of Wildlife Hunters Education/Safety Certification Card by **May 1, 2025**.

Don't have your Card yet? Don't Sweat!

Go to the Colorado Division of Wildlife website and register for a class!

[CLICK HERE TO SEE CURRENT CLASS OFFERINGS.](#)

Once you've completed your class, email a photo of your Hunter's Safety Card (front and back) to 4-H Specialist Jen Loewen (jenniferloewen@elpasoco.com) and 4-H Admin Shawna Lamothe (shawna.lamothe@colostate.edu) by **MAY 1, 2025**.

****NEW** Already Have your Card? Get a copy to the Extension Office!**

Even if you already have your Hunters Safety/Education Card, it is a requirement to upload it to 4HOnline, **OR** email a photo of the card (front and back) to 4-H Specialist Jen Loewen (jenniferloewen@elpasoco.com) and 4-H Admin Shawna Lamothe (shawna.lamothe@colostate.edu) by **May 1, 2025**.

If you were able to upload your Hunters Safety Card to 4HOnline during enrollment this year, please let us know!

Once we have a copy of your card on file, we can re-upload it into 4HOnline each year on your behalf—save yourself time and a headache, and send us your card photos!

For all other 4-H Shooting Sports Policies, please refer to the [El Paso County 4-H Policies for Success](#).

Please email Jen Loewen at: jenniferloewen@elpasoco.com with any questions!

Recap and Upcoming Meetings

Exciting things are happening with Youth County Council! If you want to be a part of the action, join our next meeting on March 15th at 6:30 PM. We are planning many camps and activities, a fun dance in May, and 4-H Camp, Cake Builders Academy, and Summer Fest all held in June. Also, Youth County Council members will be visiting Clubs soon. Jump in—Get involved—And make new friends!



Please find the link to all current Other Opportunities [HERE](#).

Currently the following opportunities coming up are:

- Colorado 4-H Scholarships
- Youth Fest 2025
- Statewide 4-H Miniature Horse Camp
- Bird Flu Q&A
- CAHC Horse Show
- Jeffco 4-H Winter Classic Horse Shows
- Statewide 4-H Dog Expo
- Douglas County Horse Shows
- Forecasting Future Leaders
- Spring Gather Open Horse Show & Clinic
- Colorado 4-H Goes to Italy!



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