#### **TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**



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TO: All County Extension Agents

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SUBJECT: 2017 East District 5 4-H Roundup

April 8, 2017 - SFA - Nacogdoches

# **District Roundup Contest Information**

District 4-H Roundup will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2017, at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. Please pay special attention to the enclosed information and schedule since there are changes that are to be implemented this year. Contests may be scheduled so that there are overlaps. It is the responsibility of the contestant to report to the contest and contest superintendent before the close of the contest so that judges may be held to score the participant if needed. We will make every effort possible to allow members to participate in all contests that they entered prior to registration closing.

See the schedule of events for more contest information. You will also want to refer to the Texas 4-H Roundup guide for specific contest guidelines.

Members may participate in several contests scheduled for April 8<sup>th</sup>. However, Senior entries may have to make a choice as to what contest they will participate in at the state level if they win the opportunity to advance.

On April 8<sup>th</sup>, members may participate in one of the contests on each of the following hyphens.

- Educational Presentation, Share-the-Fun (Celebrate 4-H, Musical/Instrumental, Solo/Band Performance), or Public Speaking contest
- Share-the-Fun (Choreographed Routine, Dramedy, Poetry/Prose, Vocal), Entomology ID contest
- Horse Quiz Bowl, Beef Quiz Bowl, Leaders 4 Life

#### **Entry Information**

- Counties may enter up to three entries in the educational presentations, public speaking, quiz bowls, entomology contest, and Leaders 4 Life contest.
- Counties may enter up to two entries in the Share-the-Fun contests.
- Entries may be either individuals or teams. Quiz bowl competition is a team only event. See
  Texas 4-H Roundup Guide for specific contest information.

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- The top three Senior entries whether teams or individuals will advance to Texas 4-H Roundup if they meet scoring criteria. One, two, or all three entries advancing to Texas 4-H Roundup could possibly come from the same county. The top two Share-the-Fun entries will advance to State Roundup. The top three Leaders 4 Life teams will advance to Texas 4-H Roundup.
- Members will only be allowed to participate in their respective age division except for Quiz Bowls where mixed teams are allowed at the District contest.

Previous state first place winners may now compete in any contest including those they won. Exceptions involve national contest participation.

See the Texas 4-H Roundup Guidelines for specific information for all contests.

## REGISTRATION

We will utilize 4-H Connect for all events scheduled for April 8, 2017. Registration opens February 1 and will close at midnight on March 21, 2017.

#### Registration Fees:

<b>Educational Presentation</b>	\$8.00 per person
Share-The-Fun	\$8.00 per person
Leaders4Life	\$8.00 per person
Horse Quiz Bowl	\$8.00 per person
Beef Quiz Bowl	\$8.00 per person
Entomology Contest	\$8.00 per person
Taxidermy and Habitat	\$8.00 per person
Photography Judging	\$8.00 per person

A late registration period will be open until midnight on March 25, 2017. There is an additional registration fee of \$25.00 for late entries. No entries will be accepted after the March 25 deadline.

- Payments for entry in this event are due before the event. Entries must show as paid on 4-H Connect by noon April 7, 2017.
- Late payments will result in the 4-H member not being able to place or receive awards in the event. The member may still participate.

Before certifying entries at the county level, please check them for accuracy and completeness. Member substitutions on teams are permissible as long as the substitute meets the participation and eligibility criteria. Substitutions should be reported to the respective contest coordinator and Roundup personnel.

Contest judging assignments, contest sites, superintendent instructions, and other information will be distributed after all completed District contest entry information has been received in the District office. A Lync conference will be scheduled in April to discuss specific responsibilities for superintendents.

Superintendents should pick up judging packets at the registration desk before contests begin. Educational Presentation superintendents are asked to furnish a computer, projector, screen, extension cord, and easel for their contests. All superintendents should bring a calculator and stopwatch for their respective contests.

It is your responsibility to inform parents/leaders and 4-H'ers of specific contest locations once they are distributed to you.

#### Some notes to pass along to leaders.....

- There will be no curtain for any Share-the-Fun presentations.
- Staging areas for all presentations may be in classrooms.
- A table or desk will be located at the front of each educational presentation contest room.
- A small sound system and keyboard will be provided for the Musical and Vocal Share-the-Fun contests. All other necessary equipment that a participant deems necessary or appropriate must be provided by participant.
- Youth should have all presentations in some form of Microsoft Office 2003 (PowerPoint, Word, or Excel). All fonts used should be true type; these specifically include Arial and Times New Roman. If youth decide to use any other program or fonts they will be responsible for bringing all equipment that is compatible with their presentation.

## **QUIZ BOWL INFORMATION**

Counties may submit Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Mixed teams in each quiz bowl contest. Mixed aged teams will compete against other mixed teams. The distribution of the ages will not matter. Mixed teams will not be eligible for state competition.

Reference materials for specific contests should be secured and studied to ensure knowledge of all information. Participating counties are requested to submit a list of 25 questions by the entry date. Questions must come from the recognized resources and be in the following format:

Question

Answer

Source

Page number

Division (Junior, Intermediate, Senior - any or all levels)

Questions should be submitted to d54h@ag.tamu.edu or to the contest superintendent.

Kent Powell – Beef Quiz Bowl

Jacob Spivey – Horse Quiz Bowl

See the "Texas 4-H Quiz Bowl Guide" for more information. The guide can be located at the Texas 4-H website: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Texas-4-H-Quiz-Bowl-Guide.pdf. Specific quiz bowl supplements are located on the web page for the project under 4-H member resources.

### **LEADERS 4 LIFE SKILL-A-THON INFORMATION**

Counties may submit Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Mixed teams in this contest. Mixed aged teams will compete against other mixed teams. The distribution of the ages will not matter. Mixed teams will not be eligible for state competition. Refer to the Texas 4-H Roundup 2017 Rules and Guidelines for more information. The Texas 4-H Roundup Guide is located at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup.

Leaders 4 Life resources are located on the Texas 4-H web page at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/leadership/leaders4lifeguide1/.

### **PHOTO JUDGING**

Photography Judging is considered a team event. Teams will consist of 3 or 4 members. The overall team score shall be determined by totaling the top three scores of the members. All contestants are eligible for individual awards. Counties can enter three teams in all age divisions of the contest – Junior, Intermediate and Senior. Individuals can participate in the contest if they are unable to form a county team.

Contestants will be divided into groups for the contest and will remain with their assigned group throughout the contest. Movement of the group to each class will be controlled by the contest superintendent.

All electronic devices (cell phones, pagers, PDA's, calculators, etc.) are prohibited. Please advise your contestants to remove these devices prior to the start of the contest. If a contestant's phone should ring, or if they are discovered using such electronic devices during the contest, the contestant and their team may be disqualified.

Contestants may not leave once the contest has started unless permission is given by the contest superintendent.

Contestants should not separate themselves from the class on which their group is working. They should not in any way willfully obstruct the work of another contestant.

While the contest is in progress, there shall be no talking or any other type of communication between contestants or coaches. If a contestant has a question once the contest begins, that question should be directed to the assigned group leader or the contest superintendent.

Contestants must provide their own #2 pencil and may bring an unmarked clipboard for use during the contest.

Seven minutes will be allowed for each class. Contestants will be given a warning of 1 minute before time is up.

Photos in the contest will be designated with a class and individual number.

There are no oral reasons for this contest.

More information pertaining to the photography project can be found at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/.

### **TAXIDERMY AND HABITAT CONTEST**

Please note this is not a qualifying event for a state contest since Taxidermy and Habitat is a District 5 event only. Specific guidelines are a separate attachment but can also be found on the D5 web page.

### **AWARDS**

Roundup awards will be presented during one awards ceremony once all contests are complete.

Contestants are free to leave after their respective contests but are encouraged to stay through the awards program.

Please remember that any Senior (individual or team) scoring below "80" will not be eligible to participate in Texas 4-H Roundup, regardless of contest placing.

### SWEEPSTAKES TROPHIES

The District Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded in the following two divisions:

Division 1 : Counties with 2 or less agent positions Division 2: Counties with 3 or more agent positions

The high point county in each division will receive a Sweepstakes Trophy for points garnered throughout the year, including Roundup events. Remember, points are awarded per entry; not per individual in an entry. The District 5 4-H Sweepstakes Trophy will be presented at a later time.

The District 5 4-H Council Roundup Sweepstakes Award presented by the District Council will be awarded for Roundup participation. This trophy will also be presented at a later time.

#### ADULT LEADERSHIP ASSISTANCE FORM **DUE IN DISTRICT OFFICE - Tuesday, March 21, 2017**

Again this year, we are asking County 4-H Coordinators to complete the "Adult Leader Assistance" Form" indicating the names of qualified adult leaders to serve as contest judges. Please indicate which contest the leader would like to work. This can be any contest scheduled for April 8, 2017. A form is attached for this information. Please encourage qualified adults to help judge.

### **TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP REGISTRATION**

Be aware that if 4-H'ers qualify, they may enter one contest per day at Texas 4-H Roundup.

Refer to the 2017 State Roundup Guide and State Roundup letter for more information. This information can be found on the web at: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/.

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