



2026 DISTRICT 5 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS INDOOR ARCHERY

Dates

Friday, January 30, 2026 and
Saturday, January 31, 2026

Location

Panola County Expo Center
#2 Ballpark Lane, Carthage 75633

Entry Requirements

- Enter individually on 4HOnline beginning November 10, 2025, at <https://texas.4honline.com>
- Contest Fee – \$30 per contestant + \$5 target fee* = \$35 total fee per equipment class
- Late Entry Fee - \$60 per contestant + \$5 target fee* = \$65 total fee per equipment class
- Maximum of TWO classes per individual, participants may NOT repeat the same equipment class

*Target Fee: this fee will be collected for the specific purpose of aiding in covering the costs of maintenance, repair, and replacement of the large number of target backs necessary to hold this event.

District Deadlines

- Registration on 4HOnline by **January 12, 2026**
- Late entry – **January 13-15, 2026** (late fees apply)

Special Accommodations

- Any competitor who requires auxiliary aids or special accommodations must contact the district office at least 2 weeks before the competition or note such needs when registering on 4HOnline.

Hosted by District 5 4-H

INDOOR ARCHERY MEET

January 30 & 31, 2026
Panola County Expo Center
Carthage, TX

Register 4HOnline @ <https://texas.4honline.com>
Open to all D5 4-H youth grades 3rd-12th

Regular Registration
\$35 per person
November 10-January 12, 2026

Late Registration
\$65 per person
January 13-15, 2026

District Contest Rules
D54-h.tamu.edu
Prizes awarded top youth in bow classes and overall high point in bow classes

Bow Classes

- Barebow
- Recurve
- Compound Aided & Unaided
- NASP Genesis Barebow

Contact your local county Extension agent for more information

If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Carolyn Walton at 903.834.6191 by January 12, 2026. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service provides equal opportunities in its programs and employment to all persons, regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, age, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

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Adult Attendance

- A parent/guardian/or designated adult, over age 18, must remain on the premises the entire time of the event (other 4-H youth cannot be classified as a designated adult of a minor, regardless of their age).
- The name of the designated adult will need to be provided when registering in 4HOnline and he/she will need to sign-in at the check-in desk with youth participant.
- The ratio of 1 adult to 8 youth is required for this Program for Minors as required by the Texas A&M University System.

Entry Divisions (grade by September 1, 2025)

- Junior Grades 3, 4, and 5
- Intermediate Grades 6, 7, and 8
- Senior Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12
- Optional First Year Archer Divisions (see information under Eligibility)
 - First Year Junior Archer
 - First Year Intermediate Archer
 - First Year Senior Archer

Note: Youth may register to shoot in an age division higher but may not compete in a lower age division.

Refreshments

Complimentary bottled water and coffee will be provided participants and adults during the meet.

Community Service Project

- This year the 2025-2026 District Council Officers are providing opportunities for District 5 families to give back to local hospitals that support children and teens.
- Show your support by bringing any or all of the following items:
 - Activity books, crossword puzzle/game books, coloring books
 - Colored pencils and crayons

New!

2025-2026 DISTRICT 5
COUNCIL OFFICER
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

**Activity
book drive**

**Bring crayons, map colors,
coloring books, cross words,
or activity books for children
& teens in the hospital**

**ITEMS WILL BE COLLECTED DURING:
EPIC LEADERSHIP LAB
FOOD SHOW & FOOD CHALLENGE
INDOOR ARCHERY MATCH & COME ALIVE D5**

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District 5 Indoor Archery Contestant Rules

Archery (individual entry)

Entry

- Enter as an individual youth on 4-H Online.

Eligibility

- Participation in the District Indoor Archery Match is open to all District 5 4-H youth that are enrolled in the Shooting Sports project for the current year.
- 4-H youth must be under the supervision of the 4-H Certified archery coach that is listed on the registration document. **This information will be verified with the State 4-H office.**
- Each age division will have a 'First Year' class open to anyone within the division that is new to archery (in their first year) and a first-time shooter in this event. The 'First Year' class is for entry level archers. Entry in the 'First Year' class is optional. If this option is taken, the archer will be classified as a 'First Year' archer for every equipment class in which they register.

Equipment

- Each competitor must provide their own bow and arrows.
- Class Options:
 - Barebow
 - Recurve
 - Compound Aided
 - Compound Unaided
 - NASP Genesis® Barebow

Flights

- Archers may shoot in either the morning or afternoon flight.
- Registration is capped at 30 archers per flight. Due to the limited number of archers in each flight, it is recommended to register as soon as registration opens. Flights will close when the maximum number of archers is reached.
- Scores from both flights will be combined upon completion of both flight times with results and awards sent out the following week to the archer's respected county offices.
- **There will be no on-site registration or payment of any kind allowed at the events. Flights may not be added on-site, however withdrawals will be accepted.**
- All flights are approximately 4 hours in length.
- Arrive promptly at check-in time prior to the appropriate flight to go through equipment check, and mandatory orientation.

- Friday Afternoon, 4:30 pm check-in, Shooting begins at 5:30 pm
- Saturday Morning, 7:30 am check-in, Shooting begins at 8:00 am

Course of Fire

- The match consists of standard FITA (Federation of International Target Archery) targets (9 meter or 18-meter indoor rounds)

- The 9-meter course will be set up for the Junior ‘First Year’ class ONLY and will consist of 10 ends of 3 arrows each (30 arrows total; 300 points possible).
- The 18-meter course will be set up for all age divisions Junior through Senior and ‘First Year’ classes within Intermediate, and Senior and will consist of 20 ends of 3 arrows each (60 arrows total; 600 points possible). There will be a brief break between the 10th and 11th ends.

Targets

- Recurve, Barebow, and NASP archers will compete on the 60 cm FITA face and all compound archers will compete on the 40 cm FITA face. The use of 3 Spot targets is the option of the shooter and must be declared with enough time to provide the appropriate target on the range.

Dress Code

- All shooters must wear closed-toed shoes and shirts must have sleeves. All other standard 4-H Dress Code rules apply.

Coaching

- Remember, there is no coaching allowed when archers are on the line.

Archery Rules

1. Texas 4-H Indoor Archery Rules will be followed except as noted in these contest rules. Texas 4-H Indoor Archery rules will be used to structure this event.
2. All entries must be submitted through 4HOnline by individual 4-H members within the Registration Period. There will be no on-site registration.
3. Scoring will be based on the Texas 4-H Indoor Scoring System that will be used at the state 4-H indoor archery match.

Scoring

- Targets will be scored utilizing the double scoring system. There will be two sets of scorecards per target, with two archers acting as scorekeepers. Scores and totals of each end should be verified by each shooter before arrows are touched or removed from the target.
- All addition on the scorecard will be done by the scorers ONLY. This will be strictly enforced.
- Any question of scoring should be resolved before any arrow is touched or removed from the target.
- ALL SCORECARDS SHALL BE SCORED WITH THE END SCORE AND THE RUNNING SCORE BEFORE LEAVING THE TARGET AT THE CONCLUSION OF EACH END.
- Designated committee members will be stationed at the targets during scoring to ensure archers are verifying each other’s scores at time of recording.

Awards

- Individual ribbons for 1st – 3rd places in each age division and bow class will be presented. Youth archers placing highest overall score in each division will receive a gift card.
- Awards and results will be sent out the following week to the archer’s respective county offices.

