2027 DISTRICT 5 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS
INDOOR ARCHERY

Dates
Friday, January 29, 2027 (1 flight) and
Saturday, January 30, 2027 (2 flights)

Location
Panola County Expo Center
#2 Ballpark Lane, Carthage 75633

Entry Requirements
- Enter individually on TX4H beginning November 4, 2026, at https://tx4h.tamu.edu
- Contest Fee – $35 per contestant + $5 target fee* = $40 total fee per equipment class
- No Late Registration will be accepted.
- Maximum of TWO classes per individual, participants may NOT repeat the same equipment class
- The general refund policy for TX4H is that no refunds are provided to a 4-H member or family once the registration is approved at the COUNTY level. In extreme circumstances, such as death in the immediate family, severe illness/accident, or cancellation of an event, refunds will be provided, less any expenses already incurred by the event.

*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 TX4H by **January 19, 2027**
- No Late Registration will be accepted.

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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 TX4H.

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 TX4H 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.

Adult Coach Assistance

- One adult coach from each county will assist archers from another county with scoring and ensuring their scorecards are legible and accurate running scores.

Entry Divisions (grade by September 1, 2026)

- 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. Food trucks will be available in the parking lot to purchase meals.

District 5 Indoor Archery Contestant Rules

Archery (individual entry)

Entry

- Enter as an individual youth on TX4H.

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

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-toe 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 TX4H 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 banners for 1st places in each age division and bow class will be presented plus a gift card. Placing 2nd will be awarded a 4-H medal and gift card and 3rd place will receive a 4-H rosette and gift card.
- Awards and results will be sent out the following week to the archer's respective county offices.