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ZAPATA COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking
My HEART to greater loyalty,
My HANDS to larger service, and
My HEALTH to better living,
for my club, my community, my country and my world.

HOWDY!

by Jesse Rodriguez, CEA Ag/NR

As we head into the holiday season, prospect shows are in full swing and before we know it major show season will start. Congratulations to all 4-H members that have participated in prospect show recently.

Make sure to make plans to attend the annual Christmas Party and Record Book Training.

Please be on the look out for important updates and news.

As always, do not hesitate to contact the office if you need assistance.

Happy Holidays!

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IMPORTANT DATES:

ANNUAL 4-H CHRISTMAS PARTY - 12/16 @
6:30 PM (ZAPATA COUNTY PAVILION)

RECORD BOOK TRAINING - 12/15 @ 4 PM
(COURTHOUSE MEETING ROOM)

QUALITY COUNTS COMPLETION FOR MAJOR
SHOWS - 12/01

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[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/ZAPATATXEXT/](https://www.facebook.com/zapatatxext/)



4-H Week Proclamation Signing

On Wednesday, October 9th, Zapata County Judge Joe Rathmell signed a proclamation, declaring October 6-12, 2024, 4-H Week in Zapata County.

4-H members and their families celebrated the signing of the proclamation with cake and punch.



Beyond Ready



4-H Community Service Event

This year Zapata County held a dog food drive for its 4-H One Day Community Service event. Members collected canned and bagged dog food through out National 4-H week and during individual club meetings during the month of October.

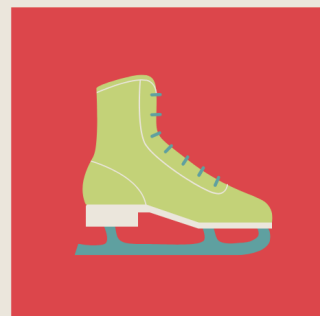
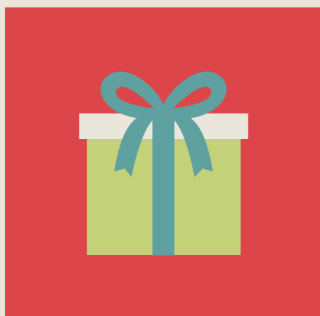
All items collected were presented to the Zapata County Animal Shelter.

Thank you all that participated in this event.





**ZAPATA COUNTY 4-H CLUBS
(NORTH, MESQUITE BRANCH, INTOCABLE HORSE
CLUB AND SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB)**



**2024
TOY DRIVE**
**BENEFITTING TEXAS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
IN HONOR OF
ALYNNA ELIANA LOPEZ**



We will be having our Christmas Pizza Party and an ugly sweater contest. Parents welcome to participate.

DEC 16 • 6:30 PM
ZAPATA COUNTY PAVILION

**PLEASE CONTACT THE EXTENSION OFFICE OR CLUB
MANAGER WITH QUESTIONS**

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4-H Record Book Training

Sunday, December 16, 2024

4 PM

**Zapata County Courthouse
Meeting Room - Suite 248**

**Come learn the importance of keeping a record book
and tools and tips on how to improve your record book.**



Contact County Agent, Jesse Rodriguez for more information.
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16th Annual Falcon Lake Classic 4-H & FFA Prospect Show



January 11-12, 2025

**Buckles for
Grand and Reserve Champions
& Showmanship**

Oswaldo & Juanita Ramirez
Exhibit Hall
23rd & Glenn St.
Zapata, Texas

**Banners for
Breed Champions**
**22 Buckles
to be Awarded**

Schedule of Events

Sunday, Jan. 12

Saturday, Jan. 11

Weigh-in & Classify

7 - 9 am Hogs
9 - 11 am Steers & Heifers



HOG SHOWMANSHIP

10 am

Hog Show immediately following Showmanship
Breed Format: Duroc, Yorkshire, Hampshire,
OPB & Cross

Heifer & Steer Show

1hr after Hog Show

Division Format: American, British and Exotics

CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP

Heifer and Steer Participants- 1 buckle will be given to
winner of Cattle Showmanship

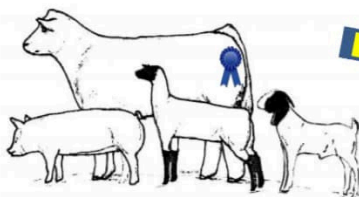


Heifer Show

Immediately after Cattle Showmanship

Steer Show

Immediately after Heifer Show



Lamb & Goat Show

Will run Simultaneously

Weigh-in & Classify
7 - 9 am Lambs & Goats
**Lambs and Goats may
move in Saturday Night*

LAMB SHOWMANSHIP

10 am

Lamb Show immediately following Showmanship

Breed Format: Southdown, Fine
Wool, Cross, & Medium Wool



GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

10 am

Goat Show immediately following showmanship



SHOWMANSHIP

Age Divisions: 9-11, 12-14 & 15-18
Showmanship Champion Buckle for Each Division

\$10 at the Gate

Winner Takes All!

Indoor Facilities

Generators Welcome

For Out of Town Exhibitors

Facilities Open 6 pm Friday

Entry Fees \$40

Pay entry fees on day of show
Checks payable to: Zapata
High School

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Important Information/News

All important information regarding 4-H in Zapata County will be posted on our [website](#) and 4-H Facebook [page](#), as well as shared with 4-H clubs. Emails will also be sent through 4-H Connect when there are updates available. Please check our website, add us on Facebook, and update your email on 4-H Connect.



Contact Us!

If you have any questions or need assistance contact us, or drop by the office.
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"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."
- Eleanor Roosevelt - Former First Lady of The United States of America