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# CLOVERLEAF

Your Source for 4-H News and Events



## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

January 2023



Felix, Heaven, Dominic, Jhett, Aaliyah,  
Chailyn, Tiffani, Antonio & Jayden



Paws-worthy appreciation to the Black Bear Club for thinking of the needy animals at the Espanola Animal Shelter this Christmas and bringing donations of pet food to them. There's going to be some happy cats & dogs this holiday! ❤️💜❤️



**Enroll now for the  
2022-2023 4-H Program  
Year!**

Enrollment continues to take place during your club meetings.

Contact your Club Leader for meeting date and time.

**RE-ENROLLMENTS DATE  
EXTENDED TO  
JANUARY 18**

**NEW ENROLLMENTS DUE  
MARCH 1**

**Deadline to ADD/DELETE  
4-H Projects  
is March 1**

### Dates to Remember...

January 3<sup>rd</sup>- Re-enrollment EXTENDED!

January 12<sup>th</sup>- 2nd Thurs Zoom Training

January 14-15<sup>th</sup>- Pasture & Range Judging Camp

January 13<sup>th</sup>- State 4-H Portfolios due

January 16<sup>th</sup>- Applications for Community Service  
Scholarship for Home Ec School

**January 18<sup>th</sup>- RE-ENROLLMENTS DUE**

Scholarship for Home Ec School

January 20<sup>th</sup>- Parli Pro Contest

January 20-22- Senior Leadership Retreat

January 28<sup>th</sup>- Explorers of the Deep

January 30<sup>th</sup>-Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Virtual Horse Bowl  
Tournament

February 9- 2nd Thurs Zoom Training

February 15- 4-H Day at the Roundhouse

February 23-24- Shooting Sports RE-Certification

February 25- Steer Tagging & County Bred

**Join us Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am for the  
EXPLORERS OF THE DEEP  
at the Rio Arriba Extension office in Abiquiu!**

Explore alongside your fellow 4-Hers on our big screen, Novice through Seniors may attend, novices may need assistance from older explorers. Order your free kit to work along with Dr. Skelton and venture deep into the abyss to discover all kinds of underwater oddities using robots!

Register by January 18<sup>th</sup> at: <https://tinyurl.com/NMSTEMchallenge>

STEM kits will arrive at the Abiquiu Extension office between Jan. 23 – 26<sup>th</sup> and be ready to go for you on Saturday. Each kit has enough materials for 1 – 4 youth, so bring a friend!

**Join the New Mexico 4-H STEAM Innovators  
Online STEM Challenge Workshop**

**EXPLORERS OF THE**



**January 28, 2023 at 10:00AM**

**DIVE INTO  
THE ABYSS**



**Register by January 13, 2023**

**<https://tinyurl.com/NMSTEMchallenge>**

\*Kit included with registration and must be picked up from County Extension Office January 23-January 26



If you are an individual with a disability and need an auxiliary aid or service please contact Phillip Alden at [palden@nmsu.edu](mailto:palden@nmsu.edu) by January 13, 2023.

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## NM STATE 4-H PORTFOLIO SUBMISSION

Portfolio is another word for record book. This book covers your entire 4-H career. Not only will you have a comprehensive record of your 4-H activities and gain these skills, **you'll have an opportunity to compete for a sponsored trip to the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia!** This opportunity is available to Senior 4-H members (age 13 & in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade- age 18). There is no minimum number of years you have to have been a member or submitted a county record (portfolio) book. Books are evaluated based on growth in the timeframe submitted.

Winners will be recognized during SLR.

For Guidelines and forms contact the Abiquiu Extension office at:  
505-685-4523

Deadline to submit State 4H Portfolios to the  
Rio Arriba Office is January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Rio Arriba County Council  
Retreat! Date coming soon . . .  
new council members check  
your emails!!**

**New Rio Arriba County Council  
officers our first County Council  
meeting will take place January 3,  
2023.**

**Pass the word along!  
We're looking forward to meeting  
with you and planning lots of  
great 4-H events for 2023!**

## 100TH STATE 4-H CONFERENCE CELEBRATION

Each year the NM 4-H Youth Development Program hosts an event called State 4-H Conference on the NMSU campus. The event includes contests, business sessions, keynote speakers and workshops. The 100<sup>th</sup> State 4-H Conference will be taking place in the summer of 2023. We would like yours and your 4-Her's ideas for a celebration plan for this major milestone event. They can be shared by taking our survey at:

[https://acesnmsu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_aV4cV7vsAGHXUDY](https://acesnmsu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aV4cV7vsAGHXUDY)

**Some additional questions have been added to the survey.** A QR Code is included below that can be used also. Please share these links with your club members.



## Pasture & Range Judging Camp

January 14-15th , 2023

Truth or Consequences, NM

Registration Cost: \$40/team

Includes book with educational resources and meals

### Saturday 9-5

Contest Introduction  
Ecological Site Descriptions  
Range Site Evaluation (Field)

### Sunday 8-12:00

Plant Identification  
Range Management Practices  
Career Opportunities

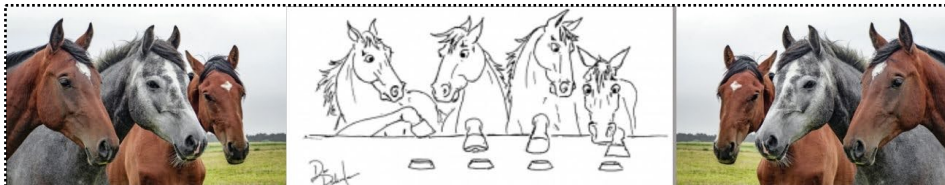
*Pasture & Range judging leads to career opportunities with federal and state agencies such as BLM, USFS, NRCS, private consulting firms and increases overall land management stewardship!*



For questions please contact Julian Marta: [jmarta@torcschools.edu](mailto:jmarta@torcschools.edu)  
or Sara Marta [skmarta@nmsu.edu](mailto:skmarta@nmsu.edu)/575-894-2375

Registration: <https://ezregister.com/events/37262/>





# 3rd Annual Virtual Horse Bowl Tournament

*Do you like horses, learning about horses, and are competitive?  
If so, this is the perfect competition for you!  
You can represent your county from the comfort of your own home and have  
fun during an online virtual competition!*

**When: January 30th–February 3rd, 2023**  
(Bracket Style Competition)

**Time: 7pm–10pm MST**

**How: Call YOUR Extension Office to get registered  
and more info.**

**Register By 5pm January 23rd**

Prizes will be awarded in each age group

\$10 Entry  
Fee



Novice  
Junior  
Senior



\$10 Entry  
Fee

*You do not have to be enrolled in the horse project to compete, but must  
be enrolled in 4-H in New Mexico.*



If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service to participate, please contact Jason Turner, NMSU horse Specialist by January 13th at 575-646-1242 or jltturner@nmsu.edu

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## NOTE FROM AMY:

### Earn a Community Service Scholarship to Upcoming 4-H Events

#### Here's the criteria:

Available to any Novice, Junior or Senior 4-H Member serving as a State 4-H Officer, Ambassador, or participant in a 4-H activity.

Must submit a New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarship application form which is available on the website:

<https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/scholarships.html>

UPCOMING EVENTS	Scholarship Ap Due
2023 NM 4-H FCS School of Real Life Skillz (aka Home Ec School)	January 16
2023 Youth Get-Away	February 15
2023 Horse School	March 15
2023-24 New Mexico 4-H Leadership Positions (Officers and Ambassadors)	April 1
2023 State 4-H Conference	April 17
Community Service Scholarship Application - DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION is 2 months before event registration deadline	

## New Mexico 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification



Dates for our spring Shooting Sports Leader Certification in Central New Mexico is set for February 25-26, 2023 to try to catch everyone up and to allow for two certifications in a year. We will continue to use the online modules participants will need to complete prior to attending. Leaders can go to: [www.4-hshootingsportscollege.com](http://www.4-hshootingsportscollege.com) to complete this portion, **if they have** Department. **already completed the online module this year they are good to go.** The online portion will cover items including history, introduction to 4-H shooting sports, creating high quality programs, and risk management and is now available online through Zing-books at a cost of \$20.00 to access that portion of the training. The training will begin Saturday at 8:00 am, February 25th, and conclude on Sunday February 26th. Cost for the hands-on portion will be \$60.00 and for any questions and information about registration contact the State 4-H Department at 575-646-3026.





# Take 10 with 4-H

## What:

### Idea/Information Sharing for 4-H Volunteer Leaders via Zoom

An extension agent or 4-H volunteer will present about 5-7 minutes on a topic and open up for sharing from participants for remainder of the 10 minutes. Sessions will be recorded and shared on the State 4-H website. Since the scheduled Take 10 sessions will only focus on one small part of a larger topic, additional resources will also be found on the State 4-H website under the selected Take 10 topic.



## When:

1st Thursday of the month on the dates below during the lunch hour.

**The topics held during the same lunch hour will be separate presentations.**

### 2023 Dates/Topics/Times:

<p><b>January 5, 2023</b> Community Service Scholarships (12:30pm) FCS School (12:45pm)</p>	<p><b>May 4, 2023</b> State 4-H Conference (12:15pm) Livestock Schools (12:30pm) District Contests (12:45pm)</p>
<p><b>February 2, 2023</b> 4-H Day at the Capitol (12:30pm)</p>	<p><b>October 5, 2023</b> Build Club Membership/Involvement (12:30pm) Community Service Ideas for Clubs (12:45pm)</p>
<p><b>March 2, 2023</b> YGA (12:30pm)</p>	<p><b>November 2, 2023</b> State Portfolios (12:30pm)</p>
<p><b>April 6, 2023</b> State 4-H Leadership Team (12:30pm)</p>	<p><b>December 7, 2023</b> Role of Club Leader (12:30pm)</p>

**Contact your County Extension Office for information on how to join the zoom sessions.**



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## Time to Complete the Annual Working with Minor Training Guidelines for 4-H Volunteers

You may complete the training through the Self-paced model on Zsuits: <https://4h.zsuite.org/>

When you are in your 4H ZSuite account and have selected your profile follow the steps below:

1. Click on Clover Academy on the left menu bar
  2. Launch Clover Academy
  3. Open NM Working with Minors (*even though it says completed*)
  4. Under 'You have earned a certificate' is a button that says [*Reset All Course Progress for New Year (Cannot be undone.)*]
  5. Click on the blue '*Reset All Course Progress for the New Year (Cannot be undone)*'
  6. Start Course
  7. Complete the course and a certificate will be available with the completion date. The county 4-H ZSuite administrator should be able to see the volunteer completion on his/her county page.
- Just a reminder, all of us that work directly with youth need to take the working with minors training annually.***

*Wishing You a Happy New Year!  
Here's to an Amazing 2023!!*

*From the Rio Arriba Extension Team,  
Amanda, Andrea, Donald, Joy and Mariaelena*



Joy Czmyrid, Rio Arriba County  
Family & Consumer Sciences/4-H Agent



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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.