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Your Source for 4-H News and Events



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2023 4-H Rio Arriba County Winter Awards Celebration



Join us for food, fun, dancing, and awards, December 8

at 6pm at the Multi-purpose building here in Abiquiu! Round up your friends and family and help us celebrate all your great contributions and accomplishments this past year in 4-H. Two inspirational speakers are planned.

Elections will be held for new council members:

President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter. Descriptions of each position are in this issue, along with more information about council duties. Join us and make your voice heard through County Council in Rio Arriba county!

Dates to Remember

November 2: Take 10 with 4-H Webinar
November 7: Take 10 with 4-H-State Portfolios
November 11: Veterans Day
November 11: NM 4-H Adult Forum,
Las Cruces
November 20: County Council meeting

November 23: Thanksgiving
November 23- 24: RA CES closed
December 7: Take 10 with 4-H-Role of Leader
December 8: Winter Celebration & Awards
December 25: Christmas
December 22 - Jan 1: RA CES closed

4-H County Council Meeting Set



It's time to plan the awards program to be held in December. County Council members please join us **November 20, 5pm for a meeting at the Rio Arriba Extension** office. Snacks will be provided.



Scan this QR Code for easy access to NM 4-H Policies & Procedures Handbook



New Mexico 4-H Policies and Procedures Handbook
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It's Not Too Early... to think about

County Summer Camp

Take our brief survey and give us your input before we start planning. Follow the link below for the survey or follow the QR code with your phone and let your voice be heard.

https://acesnmsu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bOaIOA28k8nHRT0



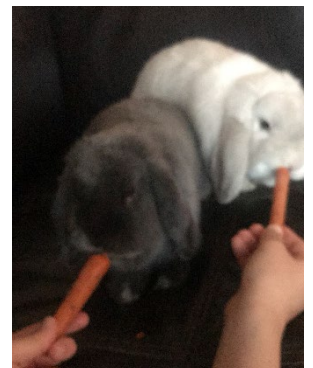
The 4-H Big Picture



Positive youth development

Mini-Lops Available

Free Mini-Lops to good home. If interested contact Joy at jczmyrid or call the Extension office: 505-685-4523



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New Mexico 4-H 101 (Part 2)

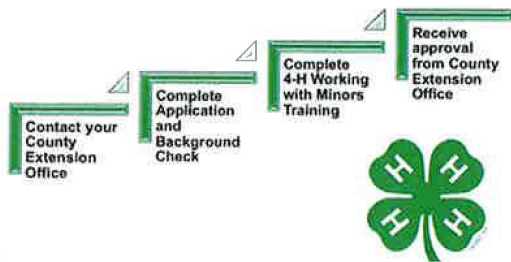


New Mexico 4-H

Who: NM 4-H is **THE** youth program of the NM Cooperative Extension Service. It is open to youth from 5-19 with age appropriate programming. The 4-H program is supervised by the County Extension Agent and led by 4-H volunteers.

Steps to become a volunteer:

Steps to become a 4-H Leader



Volunteer Leader Roles

- *Organizational Leaders*
- *Assistant Organizational Leaders*
- *Project Leaders*
- *Activity Leaders*
- *Resource Leaders*
- *Special Interest Volunteers*
- *School Enrichment Volunteers*
- *Event Chaperone Volunteers*

What: 4-H is a research-based youth development program, which is family and community centered, responsive to change, and publicly and privately funded.

The mission of the New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program is to provide youth the opportunities to acquire leadership, citizenship and life skills.

Where: 4-H is located in every NM County. Find your Extension office: <https://aces.nmsu.edu/county/>

When :

October-December

- New 4-H Year begins
- Re-enrollment for youth and adults begins
- NM4-H Adult Leaders Forum

January-March

- NM Senior Leadership Retreat
- Western National Roundup
- Home Ec School
- State 4-H Youth Leadership Summit
- 4-H Day at the Roundhouse

April-June

- Youth Get Away
- Enrollment Deadlines
- Horse Certificates Due
- National, State and District shooting sports
- Horse and Livestock Schools
- District contest
- 4-H Rodeo begins

July-September

- State Conference
- State and County Fairs

How: Delivery modes of 4-H include club, special interest and school enrichment.

Club: A 4-H Club is an organized group of at least five youth from at least three different families who meet regularly with adult volunteers or staff for a long-term, progressive series of educational experiences. It can be in school, after school, in the community or associated with a military installation with a planned program.

Special Interest: The special interest program must consist of planned educational objectives with a minimum of six contact hours.

School Enrichment: 4-H School Enrichment groups focus on a subject matter topic and are established if school administration and the classroom teacher are supportive.

This information summarizes the NM 4-H 101 volunteer training module. Complete the NM 4-H 101 module on the NM 4-H Enrollment system, Zsuites, or contact your local County Extension office for more detailed information.

Information cited from the NM 4-H 101 volunteer training module, New Mexico 4-H Policies and Procedures Handbook, and NMSU College of ACES website.

Step Up & Be Heard! Join Us...

Rio Arriba County 4-H Council Leadership Elections

Friday, December 8 at 6pm at the 4-H Awards Celebration!

Constitution Article IV – Officers

The elected officers known as the executive committee of the Rio Arriba County 4-H Council shall consist of:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Four (4) County 4-H Ambassadors

By-Laws Article I – Election of Officers

- Officers shall be elected at the December meeting and installed at the Annual Awards Ceremony.
- Term of office shall be one year.
- Officers are not eligible to succeed themselves in the same office.
- If officers miss two (2) regular meetings or other council planned activities, they will be reviewed by the council and may be automatically removed from office. The council will vote in replacement officers from qualified council delegates.
- Voting will be by secret ballot. In case of a tie, a coin will be tossed.
- Candidates should be present at the election meeting.

Article IV – Qualifications of Officers

- The office of President should be held by a senior 4-H member who has held an office in his/her local club.
- The offices of President and Secretary should be held by members who have been in 4-H for at least two (2) years.
- The offices of Vice President, Treasurer, Reporter, Recreation Leader, Historian and Parliamentarian should be held by members who have been in 4-H at least one (1) year.
- The officer candidates should be aware of the importance of community (i.e., may have taken 4-H junior leadership projects and know duties of offices).

By Laws Article V – Duties of Officers

General duties of all officers of the Rio Arriba County 4-H Council are:

- Attend officer training (usually held in January or February).
- Keep log of duties performed and submit report at end of the year.
- Attend officer meetings as called to handle immediate matters of the council.
- Provide reports prior to regular meetings, and a letter of explanation for missed meetings.
- Train officers in each county club as requested.

President:

- Preside over all regular and special meetings.
- Represent the 4-H Council at all meetings requiring such representation (i.e., Fair Board, Advisory committee, community gatherings, etc.).
- Appoint committees.
- Be familiar with Robert's Rules of Order.
- Act in the absence of the President.
- Assist with committees as designated by the President.

Vice President:

- Act in the absence of the President.

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- Assist with committees as designated by the President.

Secretary:

- Keeps an accurate record of procedures of all meetings, regular and special.
- Submit minutes to the County Extension Office no more than two weeks following a meeting.
- At each meeting, stand and read the minutes of the last meeting. Make corrections listed by council members
- Read correspondence. Reply as indicated by council.

Treasurer:

- Receive, hold, and distribute funds belonging to the Rio Arriba County 4-H Council.
- Give a financial report when called for by the President and at every meeting.
- Produce and audit the books annually.
- Shall be one of two signatories (Treasurer and Council Advisor) on all checks.
- Treasurer will submit a written treasurer's report to the County Extension staff at each county council meeting.

Reporter: Ambassador duties will include identifying 4-H project and program area to promote and assisting in planning and conducting 4-H events in conjunction with the officers and reporting them to the Extension office, for publication in the Cloverleaf.

- Will be in contact with the secretary after each meeting to write newspaper articles and assist in preparing advertising material for events, seeing sufficient publicity is given to the activities of the council utilizing newspaper, radio, and other media
- Maintain a scrapbook and photo file of all 4-H council activities. Scrapbook may contain minutes, treasurer reports, news articles of council activities, photos, and event reports.
- Encourage participation from Club to contribute to council meetings and other events. (Note: Council officer handbooks will be provided by the County Extension staff annually).

(as written in the current Rio Arriba Council Constitution and By-Laws)

To run for office please email Joy & Iliana at: jczmyrid@nmsu.edu; mendezi@nmsu.edu, be approved by the county and submitted to the Extension office by November 29th. Candidates must complete email us to be eligible for nomination. Additionally, nominations of the approved applicants will be made from the floor by during the annual meeting.

Any qualified candidate who has been defeated in the voting in any previous office is eligible to be re-nominated for any remaining office. A candidate is any member who has been nominated in the nominating session of the meeting. Officers will be elected in the following order: president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, county 4-H ambassador.



Calling All Artists, Creators & Performers

You've got skills...and we want to see them! Students aged 14–19 can submit their work for a chance to be featured at upcoming National 4-H events. Applications are accepted November 13th through January 1st. Apply at <https://4-h.org/story-submission/>

2024 Arts Promotion Application

Calling all artists, creators and performers! We'd love to see what YOU Submit your work for a chance to be featured at upcoming National 4-H

do best.

events. We're looking for singers, dancers, **instrumentalists** as well as visual artists and creators of all kinds. Enter today to showcase your unique talent on this national stage! Applications from students ages 14-19 accepted November 13th through January 1st. If you experience any difficulty in

completing this form, please contact us at YouthInAction@4-H.org. Thank you!

Mark Your Calendars:

Visual and Performing Arts Open Call Begins November 13

- Call to action: We are looking for visual and performing artists, individuals and small groups to feature at exciting upcoming national 4-H events.
- Application window for art or video submission will be **November 13 – Jan 1**. Full details will be shared via *4-H Professionals News and Notes* the week of November 13th.
- We appreciate your help in sharing a heads up with staff who manage your performing and creative arts programs as well as your 4-H'ers, ages 14-19.
- We're looking for visual art submissions of all kinds and mediums as well as performing artists of all kinds – musicians, dancers, spoken word, etc.
- Questions? Contact Mary Clayton Murphy, mmurphy@fourhcouncil.edu.



A Message from Sam Lowry . . . **Rodeo! Horse! Shooting Sports!**

Hello 4-H County Members, Leaders, Volunteers and Families,

4-H Rodeo

- **NM 4-H Rodeo Advisory Board Applications are due January 1st**. Please email completed application forms to samlowry@nmsu.edu no later than 11:59 PM January 1, 2024. See the following link for more information. <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/4h-rodeo.html>

4-H Horse

For those interested in participating as part of the State 4-H Agent Horse Advisory Committee please consider joining the next scheduled zoom meeting on **December 6th @ 1:00 PM**. Please use the zoom link below.

4-H Agent Horse Advisory Committee Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/82680552280>

Meeting ID: 826 8055 2280

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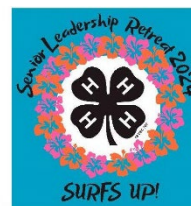
4-H Shooting Sports

The 2024 State 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training will be held **February 16 - 18 at the Albuquerque Shooting Range Park**. More information regarding the training agenda and potential lodging options will be shared with County Extension Offices as it becomes available.

- The 2024 New Mexico State 4-H Shooting Sports Policy Document and the New Mexico State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships Event Synopsis are **NOW posted** to the State 4-H website. <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/events/shooting.html>

SLR 2024

Surfs Up!



Youth are invited to attend the 2024 Senior Leadership Retreat held at the NMSU Campus and Las Cruces Convention Center, January 19-21, 2024. The registration fee covers lunch and dinner on Saturday and all workshop and program costs. **Counties will be responsible for lodging, dinner on Friday and both breakfasts.**

The State 4-H Leadership Team will be the hosts of Senior Leadership Retreat. Their goal is to help you succeed in personal leadership and professional growth. There are exciting activities and workshops scheduled to provide you with opportunities to learn leadership skills, career resources, and community service. To see further information about the event, check out the 4-H website and Facebook page for updates. Workshops provided Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday morning will be on the NMSU campus. Details on the workshops will be coming out in the next month. They will target leadership, personal development for a positive future, and experimental activities related to different career and degree paths. The State 4-H Leadership Team have been busy planning your retreat around the theme: Surf's Up!. They are ready to help you find the doors to future opportunities.

Below is general information about the event. Further information will be available in October.

Full Registration Information, Schedule and Workshop Descriptions

Available in October.

Cost

\$130.00 per person for 4-H'ers and adults (conference t-shirt, lunch and dinner on Saturday, workshops, facility rentals and program expenses included). Counties will need to arrange and cover their own lodging, dinner on Friday, and breakfasts.

Lodging

A list of hotels with 4-H blocks will be provided in the full registration. Counties can choose to make reservations at one of those hotels or coordinate their own.

Registration deadlines

Counties set their own registration deadlines.

State 4-H Registration for Counties: December 15

Forms

- NM 4-H Medical/Liability Release Form – Must have one turned into your County Extension Office by the county registration deadline.
- Forms sent in must have signatures. If the signature is electronic, the fourth page showing the signature must be included.

Chaperones

Adults serving as chaperones for a county must be enrolled in the 4-H program. If not enrolled, they cannot serve as a chaperone. Please make sure they are enrolled before registering them.

Cancellations and Refunds

- ★ Cancellations and refunds are made only if road conditions in the **Las Cruces** vicinity are severe. Drivers must make their own travel decisions based on road conditions in their area. We do not want anybody taking unnecessary risks in order to attend this event.
- ★ **Refunds cannot be made unless there is a National Weather Service storm warning in existence in the Las Cruces/Dona Ana area.**
- ★ If a refund is made due to bad weather, there will be a surcharge deducted to cover actual program expenses incurred up to that point.
- ★ If a cancellation is **made prior to the registration deadline**, the participant can receive a full refund.
- ★ **After registration is closed, if a 4-H'er or adult who is registered cannot attend, a county can substitute another person of the same sex in his or her place, but an actual refund will not be made. If there is no one from your county to fill the spot, please let the state office know before sharing the vacant spot with counties.**
- ★ If a cancellation is done after registration is closed due to an emergency or current health issue a full refund will be given to the participant.

Contact Information

The phone number for the State 4-H Office is 575-646-3026 or 575-646-5204 or by email at azemler@nmsu.edu.

A few exhibits from the State Fair...

are still here & ready for pick-up. Please stop by the Rio Arriba Extension office at your earliest convenience to get your exhibits. 505-685-4523. Thank you!

We also have Homemade Delights ribbons, certificates, comments cards etc here for pick-up

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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.

Joy Cupid

Rio Arriba County FCS Agent & FCS 4-H

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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 Zsuites:

<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.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING



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