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Your Source for 4-H News and Events



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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HAPPY NEW 4-H YEAR!

What goals and plans do you have for the New 4-H year?

Please remember we are here, actively engaged, and committed to serving you and providing 4-H programs! Our goal remains to keep offering amazing 4-H opportunities! It is up to you, to take advantage of all 4-H has to offer! We are cheering you on! As we continue to offer regular operating business hours, we ask you arrange an appointment to visit our offices. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions and concerns.

We appreciate you!

HAPPY NEW YEAR

4-H PORTFOLIOS DUE September 30!



Guidelines and information
available on our County 4-H
Website:

<https://rioarribaextension.nmsu.edu/4h.html>

Sample books available!

Tips and Tricks to having a great 4-H Story:

- Start Early!
- Include an Introduction: Name, Age, School, and Interests.
- Tell about your 4-H projects: Goals, What did you learn, What worked and what didn't.
- Explain how your 4-H work helped you.
- Describe your plans for next year.
- Did you know you could submit a video story?
- Proof Read and Revise!

Remember you can also send a draft to Marcella or Schedule a workshop visit to your next club meeting

National 4-H Week is October 3-9!

4-H Enrollment for the 2021-2022 Program Year Opens October 1!

Enrollment will take place during your club meeting.
Contact your Club Leader for meeting date and time.

Help us plan the 4-H year!

We want to hear from you!

Please take a moment to complete our
4-H Feedback survey:

<https://forms.gle/56ekVgwPt76URe1y5>

Survey open to all.

All responses are anonymous.

We will use information collected to plan our
upcoming 4-H year.

Submit your feedback by October 15th.



Guest Etiquette

When using buildings for 4-H meetings, contests, workshops, etc. follow policy use; cleanup the area you use and **send a Thank You note!**

4-H Dress Code Reminder

As participants in and representatives of the New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program, clothing guidelines have been established for your involvement in county, district, state and national 4-H events. Refer to the following website to review the dress code if needed.
<http://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/documents/dress-code-bklt.pdf>

We have a 4-H leader (Chama area) who has New Zealand rabbits (all males) available for \$15. They are not quite butcher size. Photos below, contact us if you are interested



Rio Arriba County 4-H Council Leadership Elections

It is time for 4-H members to begin thinking about running for a Rio Arriba County Council Leadership position.

Below is information taken from the Rio Arriba Council Constitution and By-Laws.

If you have any questions or would like more information, call or email Marcella 575-588-7423 marctala@nmsu.edu

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 October 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 President and Vice President should not both be seniors in High School.
- 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.



Council Office Election Information continues on next page...

Rio Arriba Council Office Election Information continued...

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.



Vice President:

- Act in the absence of the President.
- 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.

County 4-H Ambassador:

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.

- Plan and take charge of recreation activities at council meetings and other events.
- 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.
- Responsible for providing hospitality and introductions of guests at council meetings and other activities.
- 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).

A few reasons why you should become part of the Rio Arriba County 4-H Leadership team:



- You practice your leadership skills
- You make new friends
- You help guide the growth of the county 4-H program
- You assist with Fun and Engaging events/activities
- It looks great on a scholarship application/job resume





This year, National 4-H Council has partnered with Clemson University Cooperative Extension, the United States Space Force, Bayer, and Facebook to create STEM activities that are fun and accessible to young people everywhere. The 2021 Challenge theme of space exploration takes youth on an out-of-this world adventure and makes connections to the 4-H pillars—STEM, civic engagement, healthy living, and agriculture. The challenge activities allow youth to develop inquiry, observational, and problem-solving skills while they make discoveries and develop their STEM identities.

Galactic Quest is ideal for youth ages 8 to 14 years to spark an interest in STEM and inspire real-world actions. For families wanting to engage with the activities right away or youth working on their own, the Youth Guide can be used as a Quick Start Guide to the challenge.

Resource guides are available at: <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-stem-challenge/#!kit-materials> .

Galactic Quest kits can be purchased at: <https://shop4-h.org/>

OCTOBER 3, 2021
6:00PM
NOVICE & JUNIOR 4-HERS
7:00PM
SENIOR 4-HERS
[HTTPS://NMSU.ZOOM.US/J/95219480557](https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/95219480557)

OCTOBER 3, 2021
 NM STATE 4-H
 LEADERSHIP
 TEAM

2021 New Mexico 4-H Adult Forum

BLENDING YESTERDAY AND TODAY

FOR A STRONGER TOMORROW

Blending Yesterday and Today For a Stronger Tomorrow
 Date: Saturday, November 6, 2021
 Location: Clayton, NM

The Jerry Hawkins Memorial Livestock Judging contest will be held at the Eastern New Mexico State Fair on Friday October 8th at 11:00 AM. There is no entry fee just show up and judge. Contact Tracy Drummond at drummond@nmsu.edu with any questions.

Remember to Check our Rio Arriba 4-H Facebook Page for more events and continuous updates!

Attention Club Reports!
 Start gathering photos to submit for your Annual County 4-H Awards Program. We ask every club to submit at least 10 photos of the many activities and events from the last year. Photos may be emailed, mailed, or hand-delivered to the Rio Arriba Extension Office. **The deadline to submit is November 11.**

Don't forget... 4-H Club Leaders will need to schedule 4-H Enrollment for your October meeting! Email Marcella at marctala@nmsu.edu

Dates to Remember...

- October 1: New 4-H Year Starts
- October 3-9: National 4-H Week!
- October 7: Wranglerz 4-H Club Meeting
- October 8: Los Osos Del Valle 4-H Club Meeting
- October 10: Hillbillies 4-H Club Meeting
- October 10: Rangers 4-H Club Meeting
- October 11: Dream Chasers 4-H Club Meeting
- October 13: Young Guns 4-H Club
- October 23-24: State Shooting Sports Certification
- October 30: Black Bears 4-H Club Meeting
- October 30: Rio Arriba 4-H Council Meeting (New date)
- October 31: Silver Spurs 4-H Club Meeting
- October 31: Halloween
- November 20: County 4-H Awards Program

Reminder!


Marcella Talamante, Extension 4-H Agent

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