

The Curry County 4-H Times

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Notes from the Extension Office

It has been a busy summer so far, we have enjoyed seeing so many members at contest practices! We appreciate the hard work and effort that the members have put in during the practices. We encourage everyone to attend the Curry County Contest Awards Monday, June 8 at 6pm to help us celebrate our member's accomplishments! If you still need meetings for attendance, please reach out to your club leader and see if attending the awards will count towards your meeting attendance. We ask that if you plan on attending, please call the office at 575-763-6505 and RSVP by Friday.

We encourage all members participating in contests at District and State to use their spare time to study and improve. We have provided many resources for members to use, please call us if you need help with those resources.

Now that summer has officially begun, many of you are shifting gears and have begun working with your livestock projects to prepare them for the fair, please do not hesitate to contact Kandy if you need help, have questions or would like advice on feed and work routines! I would love to help! There is lots of information in this newsletter regarding livestock and the fair, please read the newsletter carefully and take note of that information. I encourage everyone to attend jackpots and pursue other opportunities to improve your showmanship and knowledge.

Sincerely,

*Kandy
Hutchins*

4-H Agent

Mindy Turner

FCS Agent
County Director

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4-H County Council Report

This month has been a busy and productive time for our county as we continue to support leadership, prepare for contests, and plan fun events for our members. The county council voted to support Reece Robb, Kyle Wood, and Shaylee Priest with \$275 each if they are selected to serve on the State Leadership Team. We are proud of their efforts and excited to see their leadership potential recognized at the state level. We brainstormed several ideas for an upcoming Family Fun Night. The goal is to host an event that encourages fellowship among members and their families while promoting 4-H spirit and involvement. More details will be finalized soon. With District Contest quickly approaching, we need to remind members to continue studying and preparing for their contests. We want to wish all of our novices and juniors good luck at District Contest! As always, thank you to all of our members and families for your continued involvement and support!

Curry County Council Reporter – Kyren Cortez

Project Day Information

CURRY COUNTY 4-H

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

 **4-H PROJECT DAY**

9-NOON & 1:30-4:30
WORK DAY - WORK ON PROJECT
ENTRIES FOR THE FAIR (BRING YOUR
OWN SUPPLIES)

9-11 AM
CLOVERBUD WORKSHOP FUN
ACTIVITIES FOR CLOVERBUDS
(SUPPLIES PROVIDED)

1:30-4:00 PM
WELCOME TO NM 4-H WORKSHOP
(BRING A SOLID COLORED T-SHIRT)

COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

CALL TO SIGN UP (575)763-6505

Rodeo & Horse News

4-H Rodeo Schedule 2026

Sierra County – April 24-26
San Miquel County – June 13-14
San Juan County- July 11-12
Quay County – July 24-25
NM 4-H Rodeo Final - TBD



Rodeo paperwork was required to be submitted in February. If you need to complete entries or need your contestant number, please email Kandy at khutchin@nmsu.edu.



TENATIVE NM HORSE SHOW DATES

May 31st – Dona Ana County
June 13th – Grant County
August 9th – San Juan County
NMSF State Horse Show – TBD

***Curry County 4-H will host our own horse show in conjunction with the Curry County Fair, which will not be part of the State 4-H Horse Show Series.*

2025 County Fair 4-H Exhibits

Indoor Entries

All indoor entries must be turned in at the fairgrounds on August 8. Make sure your entries are completely finished and ready to be judged when you bring them. Indoor entries will be accepted from 1:00 pm to 4 p.m. in the Home & Arts building at the fairgrounds.



Project Deadline!!!

July 1 is the deadline to make any changes to project enrollments!

Please call the office or login to Zsuites to update your project information and enrollment. If you have any questions about any projects, come by or call the office!

575-763-6505

Validation Dates

Validation dates have been scheduled with the FFA advisors. You are **REQUIRED** to attend one of the validation dates to get your animals tagged and DNA pulled. Brand inspectors will be at each validation, so don't forget to bring your bills-of-sale and health certificates (out of state animals only). You can attend any of these dates, you don't have to attend the one in your community, just pick the one that works best for your schedule. There will be \$5/tag charge due at tag-in. *** Rabbits and Chickens will be required to be validated in person this year... validation dates TBD.*

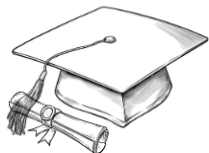
June 1st (MONDAY)	June 5th (FRIDAY)	June 6th (SATURDAY)
Clovis Ag Farm (7-10am) Melrose Ag Farm (6-8pm)	Texico Ag Farm (7-10am) Grady Schools (6-8pm)	Clovis Extension Building (7-10am)

SPECIAL AGE DIVISION RULE CHANGE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CURRY COUNTY FAIRBOARD

Any boy or girl that is 7 years old as of October 1 of the current year is eligible to show in the beef, dairy, swine, sheep, goat, poultry and rabbit junior livestock market shows at the Curry County Fair (market is defined as animals that are eligible for the Junior Livestock Sale ie: Market Heifer, Poultry & Rabbit meat pen etc.). These exhibitors are held accountable by the Curry County Fair Board/Junior Livestock Committee and must attend four 4-H or FFA meetings or other Curry County 4-H and FFA community activities or events and provide a verification form at the time of entry. Animals must be validated during the county fair tag-in process, (verified attendance of the child at tag-in counts as a meeting). Entries will be subject to approval by the Curry County Fair Board.

THIS IS A RULE CHANGE FOR 2026!!

Membership for 4-H and FFA are not required. Verification forms will be available from the Curry County Extension Office. Reach out to the Curry County Fair Board for more information.



Seniors



CLASS OF 2026-2027

The Curry County Fair Board will be continuing the Senior Recognition program! Seniors will have a personalized banner that they will hang at the show ring prior to the swine show on Tuesday afternoon.

We need each senior (Class of 26-27) who will be participating in the fair to complete the google form, link below. Please reach out to Kandy Hutchins if you have questions.

2026 Seniors who received a banner last year please do not complete the survey again.

DUE : June 1st !!!

<https://forms.gle/2ghs7DUy1VUgVN5n6>

SAVE THE DATE!!!

The Curry County Fair is scheduled for

August 10-15, 2026.

REMINDER:

All youth showing livestock are REQUIRED to attend at least four (4) club meetings. Absolutely NO EXCEPTIONS will be made.

2026 Curry County Fair Judges

Poultry: David Frazier
Rabbit: Charlie Snider
Swine: Jake Dawson
Goats: Conner Brew
Sheep: Steve Sturtz
Beef: Wade Franklin
Dairy: Garrett Boer
County Bred Swine & Sheep:
David Frazier

**DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR SENIOR BANNERS
To June 15th!!**

Stay Connected

**Find us on
Facebook:
NMSU Curry
County 4-H**

**Check your
email:
Look in your
junk, spam or
promo folder
and add us to
your safe
senders. If you
are not
receiving
emails, contact
the Extension
Office.**

**Read your
newsletter
and post-
cards!**

**Find past
newsletters
and info at
[https://curry
extension.n
msu.edu/](https://curry.extension.nmsu.edu/)**

4-H ENROLLMENT

- *Enrollment is open from October 1- March 1.*
- *Previous/Current Members Enrollment Deadline – January 15*
 - *Have been a member of 4-H in 2024-2025 or prior*
- *New Membership Enrollment Deadline– March 1st*
 - *Have never been enrolled in 4-H and are brand new members*
- The deadline to add projects is July 1.

4-H AGES for the 2025-2026 4-H Year

	Cloverbud	Novice	Junior	Senior
Grade*	K, 1 st , 2 nd	3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	6 th , 7 th	8 th & Up
Age as of January 1, 2026 - the current 4-H Year (October- September)	5, 6, 7 – 8 year olds in the 2nd grade	8 year olds in the 3rd grade, 9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11 year olds in the 5th grade	11 year olds in the 6th grade; 12 year olds; 13 year olds in the 7th grade	13 year olds in the 8th grade; 14 year olds; 15 year olds; 16 year olds; 17 year olds; 18 year olds; Youth who are 19 by December 31 of the current 4-H year are not eligible to enroll as a 4-H member.

*Grade as of January 1 of the current 4-H year (October-September).

Accordingly, youth participate in summer and fall fair activities in the grade they just completed. These are standard grades based on public school general ages. Exceptions such as home or private schools or youth who have skipped a grade must be determined under the appropriate age.

Active Membership

Curry County 4-H members must maintain an “Active Membership” status prior to participation in 4-H Rodeo, County Contests, District and State Conference, or Junior Divisions of the Curry County Fair. An “active” member will be considered one who completes enrollment prior to *January 15th or March 1*, attends four (4) or more regularly scheduled 4-H meetings. No more than two (2) meetings in any given month will count toward the membership requirement. Meetings count during the 4-H year which is October 1st through September 30th.

Curry County 4-H Dates to Remember

DATE	EVENT
June 8	County Contest Awards – 6pm Extension Office
June 16-18	Southeast District Contest – Quay County
June 25	Project Workday & Cloverbud Workshop - Info in the newsletter
<i>July 1</i>	<i>Last Day to Add Projects</i>
July 14-17	State 4-H Conference
July 16	Peach Orders Due
July 23	Project Workday & Cloverbud Workshop – info coming soon
August 1	<i>Entry Deadline for Curry County Fair and NM State Fair</i>
August 10-15	Curry County Fair
September 10-20	NM State Fair
October 5-10	Eastern NM State Fair
December 5	Christmas Light Parade – Curry County 4-H Council will not be participating with a float in the parade this year. We encourage everyone to attend the parade and support the community.

Notes from the NMSU Campus



June – Get Involved, Get Connected

One of the best parts of college is building friendships and finding your community. Whether you're into sports, volunteering, gaming, or leadership, NMSU has over 200 student organizations to explore. Start connecting now at studentlife.nmsu.edu.



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CURRY COUNTY 4-H CONTESTS 2026

4-H LOOKS GOOD ON YOU



CONTEST AWARDS Pizza Party Monday, June 8 6 PM

RSVP to the Extension Office at (575) 763-6505

Registration for District and State is due
Monday, June 8. Please pick up a registration
form at the Extension Office.

CONTACT MINDY OR KANDY IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS. 575-763-6505

Curry County 4-H is Proud to Offer *Cunningham Peaches*

20 lb box of peaches = \$50

14 oz honey = \$18

Final orders and payment due

Thursday, July 16.

Cash or check - make checks
payable to Curry County 4-H

Orders will not be placed without

payment. Payment may be made in person
or by mail @ Curry County Extension
Office, 600 Woods St, Clovis, NM 88101

To Order: Call **575-763-
6505** or contact a Curry
County 4-H Member.

Peaches are anticipated to
arrive in late July and will
definitely be here by the
first week of August.

