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## August 2023



# 2023 Wrap- Up

### Committee Meetings:

Horse Council: August 22 at 6pm

County Council: September 7 at 6:30pm

Shooting Sports Meeting: Every 2nd Thursday of the Month

Next Meeting: September 14 at 6:30pm

Fair Board Meeting: September 19 at 6pm

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**Congratulations to all our exhibitors at  
County Fair this year!!**

**You All Did An Amazing Job!!!!**

# The 2023-2024 4-H Year Starts October 1, 2023

## Mark Your Calendars

### Important Enrollment Dates and Deadlines

- October 1, 2023—Enrollment Opens
- January 15, 2024—Returning Family Enrollment Deadline
- January 31, 2024—Shooting Sports Enrollment Deadline
- April 1, 2024 — New Family Enrollment Deadline
- May 1, 2024—Project Enrollment Deadline

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## Important upcoming dates to get on your calendars now

- September 14, 2023—Shooting Sports Committee Meeting (open to everyone)
- September 19, 2023—Fair Board Committee Meeting (open to everyone)
- September 26, 2023—Horse Council Meeting
- September 30, 2023—4-H Building Clean-up (All hands on deck needed!!)
- October 2, 2023—Bernalillo County 4-H Open House
- October 4, 2023—4-H Adult Volunteer/Parent Training Part I
- October 16, 2023 — County Wide Project Meeting
- November 1, 2023— 4-H Adult Volunteer/Parent Training Part II
- November 6, 2023—County Wide Project Meeting
- November 20, 2023—County Wide Project Meeting
- January 19-21, 2024 — Senior Leadership Retreat

*Details and more information to come.*

*Make sure to read the newsletter every month so you don't miss anything!*

# NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR

September 7-17, 2023

Come and support our Bernalillo County 4-H Members that are exhibiting at the State Fair!!!!



For More information visit the State Fair Website—Link Below

<https://statefair.exponm.com/p/about>

BERNALILLO COUNTY EXTENSION PRESENTS

# 4-H



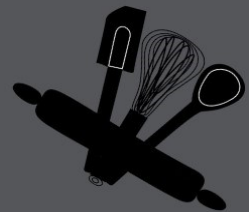
# OPEN HOUSE

TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER

COME AND LEARN ALL ABOUT 4-H



**OCTOBER 2, 2023**



**5:30PM**

**1510 Menaul Blvd. NW ABQ 87107**



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Extension 4-H Youth Development

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# NM 4-H FOOD CHALLENGE



SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

**NOVICE, JUNIOR & SENIOR  
TEAMS (3-5 MEMBERS)**

CONTACT YOUR COUNTY OFFICE FOR FULL DETAILS AND  
REGISTRATION



## **Food Challenge Practices For Bernalillo County Teams**

August 24th, August 31st:  
5:30pm at the Extension Office

For questions or more information please  
contact Phillip Alden [palden@nmsu.edu](mailto:palden@nmsu.edu)

# County Wide Project Meetings for the Upcoming 2023-2024 4-H Year

County wide project meetings will be on the **1st and 3rd Mondays of the month** at the 4-H Center (building next to the Extension Office), meetings will start at 6:30pm.

First Project Meeting of the New 4-H Year: October 16, 2023 at 6:30pm

October, November and December Project meetings will focus on the following project areas:

Public Speaking

Photography

Ceramics

Leather Craft

Entomology

Wood working



\*Youth are expected to bring their own project book and materials to project meetings.

**Volunteers needed to help lead projects!**

*Especially public speaking and photography*

For more information about the Project Meetings OR Becoming a Volunteer please contact Brittany Johnson at [brittmjo@nmsu.edu](mailto:brittmjo@nmsu.edu)

# Save the Dates: 4-H Adult Volunteer and Parent Training

This is a two part training designed for Volunteers and Parents who would like to know more about how 4-H works.

Please plan on attending both trainings.  
The trainings will be held at the Extension Office  
from 6-8pm

Part I will be on October 4, 2023  
Part II will be on November 1, 2023



*More information will be provided as the dates get closer*

# 4-H Contests

In addition to projects youth members can participate in a variety of contests. These contests occur at the County level, District level (Novice and Juniors), State level (Seniors) and some even go on to the National Level.

We will be offering the contests at the county level through out the year, starting in February.

Below is a list of contests available as well as the County Contest schedule.

Links to resources to both the District level contests and State level contests are included below.

***\*In order to participate in contests at the District or State level youth MUST participate in a contest at the County level. Some contests limit participation past the county level. Priority for participation in contests at the District and State levels will be given to those that competed in the contest at the county level.***

## **County Contest Schedule:**

February 3, 2024

Favorite Food Contest

February 23, 2024 at 6pm

Speaking Contests

March 23, 2024

Fashion Revue and Talent Show

April 27, 2024

All other Contests:

Judging

Open Contests

Bowl Contests

### **Open Contests:**

FCS Skill-a-thon

Livestock Skill-a-thon

Wildlife

Horticulture

Entomology

Hippology

Consumer Decision Making

### **Speaking Contests:**

Presentations

Poetry

Prepared Speech

Impromptu Speaking

### **All Other Contests:**

Fashion Revue

Favorite Food Show

Horse Bowl

FCS Bowl\*

Livestock Judging

Horse Judging

Talent Review

Meat Judging

## **Northern District Contest Handbook:**

<https://4hcontestsnorth.nmsu.edu/documents/2020-northern-district-handbook.pdf>

### **Meat Judging:**

<https://4hcontestsnorth.nmsu.edu/documents/2021-meats-identification-contest.pdf>

\*This contest is not offered at the District Level only at the State Level.

HOWEVER, at the **county level** we will allow for Novice and Juniors teams.

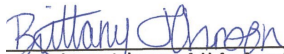
## **For more information on State Contests:**

<https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/tuesday.html>

<https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/wednesday.html>

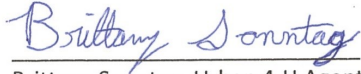
<https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/thursday.html>



  
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<https://aces.nmsu.edu/county/bernalillo/4hyouth/cloverleafnews.html>

**Leaderline Newsletter on the Web!**

<https://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/newsletters.html>

## County Calendar

Event	Date/Time
Horse Council	August 22 at 6pm
County Council	September 7 at 6:30pm <a href="https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/96633701732">https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/96633701732</a>
Shooting Sports Meeting	September 14 at 6:30pm
Fair Board	September 19 at 6pm
4-H Building Clean-up	September 30 at 9am
New 4-H Year/Enrollment Opens	October 1, 2023
4-H Open House	October 2 at 5:30pm
4-H Volunteer/Parent Training I	October 4 at 6pm

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