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## FEBRUARY 2026



### Committee Meetings:

Horse Council: March 5, 2026 6pm

County Council: March 5, 2026 7pm

Fair Board: March 9, 2026 6pm

Shooting Sports Committee: March 12, 2026 6pm

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## Fair Board Bingo and Dinner

February 14, 2026

Doors open @ 4:30pm 4-H Center



## 4-H Enrollment Info and Deadlines

**New Member enrollment deadline**  
**April 1, 2026**

**4h.zsuite.org**

**ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST COMPLETE THE NM WORKING WITH  
MINOR 25-26 TRAINING IN THE CLOVER ACADEMY THROUGH  
ZSUITE.**

**THIS MUST BE DONE EVERY NEW 4-H YEAR!**

**Please hand sign and date waivers before  
uploading into Zsuite**

Contact Carla with any Zsuite enrollment questions  
carlaj65@nmsu.edu or 505.243.1386

# **SMALL ANIMAL PROJECT MEETING**

**Saturday February 21, 2026**  
**4-H CENTER**

**1pm-Poultry**

**2pm-Rabbit**

**2pm-Fiber Sheep**

**3pm-All other small pets**

COUNTY WIDE PROJECT MEETINGS

WILL BE HELD ON

THE 3RD MONDAY-5:30PM-8PM

AND THE 3RD SATURDAY-3PM-6PM

February meetings will be on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2026

5:30PM-8PM

AND

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026

3PM-6PM

sewing  
ceramics  
crochet  
macrame



baking  
leathercraft  
and more

# Project Leaders Needed

We are in need of Project Leaders! Project leaders are an important part of the 4-H program as they guide youth through the project and help them grow in their skills and understanding.

## **Here are some project areas that need leaders:**

Cake Decorating

Baking

Rocketry

Electronics/Electricity

Interior design

Jewelry Making

Leather Craft

Origami

Scrapbooking

New Mexico Flavor

Food Preservation

Wood Working

*If none of these appeal to you please ask for the full list of projects offered .*

Please contact Phillip Alden at [palden@nmsu.edu](mailto:palden@nmsu.edu) if you would like to be a leader or if you would like more information.

**County Council**  
**March 5, 2026**  
**7pm**

at the Bernalillo County Extension Office

<https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/96633701732>

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**Horse Council**  
**March 5, 2026**  
**6pm**

**Where: Bernalillo County Extension Office**

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**Shooting Sports Committee Meeting**

**March 12, 2026 at 6pm**  
Bernalillo County Extension Office

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**Bernalillo County 4-H Fair Board Meeting**

**March 9, 2026 at 6pm**  
at the Bernalillo County Extension Office  
<https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/87009009671>

# Valentine's BINGO Night & DINNER

February 14

Doors Open: 4:30 PM | Bingo Starts at 5:30 PM

1510 Menaul Blvd NW

12 Bingo  
Games  
**\$20**

Specials  
**\$1.00**

Dinner  
**\$10.00**

## Spaghetti & Lasagna Dinner

- Choice of Spaghetti with Meatballs or Lasagna
- Crisp Fresh Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Drink



## Bingo baskets, goodies & lots of fun!

Bring your Valentine, your friends, and your lucky Bingo charm for a fun-filled night!

## Questions?

**Molly: (505) 554-8338**

**Leslie: (505) 974-9124**

**Camille: (505) 220-9681**

If you are an individual with disabilities and need an auxiliary aid or service, please contact the Extension Office at 505.243.1386 by January 30, 2026. NMSU is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and educator. NMSU and USDA cooperating.



# NM 4-H FCS SCHOOL OF REAL LIFE SKILLS: MARCH 13-15, 2026

\$60/  
PERSON



BERNALILLO COOPERATIVE EXTENSION  
OFFICE (ABQ, NM)



OPTIONAL: 4-H CONTEST PASSPORT NIGHT  
MARCH 13TH @ 6:00 PM (DINNER PROVIDED)



Registration form and fee due to the Extension Office by 4pm  
on Thursday February 12, 2026

[CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION FORM](#)

**JUNIOR INSTRUCTOR APPS  
(SENIOR 4-H MEMBERS ONLY)  
DUE: FEBRUARY 6, 2026**

More info at  
4-H Website



# Bernalillo County 4-H International Night

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

February 28, 2026 @ 4pm

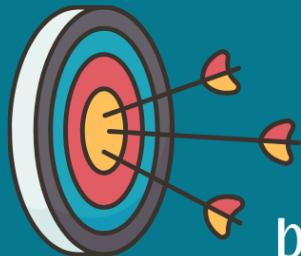
Bernalillo County 4-H Center

1500 Menaul Blvd Ext. NW

**Set up February 27, 2026 4pm-8pm**

Club Name	Country
Alvarado Elementary	Great Britain
Be You Crew	Spain
East Mountain Outlaws	Bangladesh
Elite Livestock	Greece
Los Ranchos	Egypt
Mountain Heights	Japan
Pajarito Volando	Poland
Ponderosa	Ireland
Roadrunner	Germany
Winter Soldiers	Italy

# SHOOTING SPORTS



Novice, and Junior  
Archery Practice  
Tuesdays 6pm  
beginning January 6, 2026  
Bernalillo County 4-H Center

Pistol Practice  
information sent out in  
Pistol Group Me



Air Rifle practice starts  
Wednesday, February 11, 2026  
6pm @ the 4-H Center

## NM Game & Fish Expo

February 13-15, 2026  
Volunteers Needed to run the Air Rifle Booth  
Feb 12-SET-UP Feb 13-Noon-6pm-Run Booth  
Feb 14-9am-6pm-Run Booth \* Feb 15-10am-5pm-Run Booth

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4FAAA623A0F49-61540190-2026>

Do you ever wonder how things get decided in 4-H? Wonder no more! Come join us! County Council Welcomes all 4-H youth to come and see how it's done.

Meetings monthly from 7-8pm on the first Thurs of the month -

Hope to see ya there!



**Do you know all there is to know about Livestock? Is there something you need to know? Do you want to show off your skills? Come join us for the Livestock Skill-a-thon Study Group. Range and**

**Land Management included. Please reach out to  
Melissa @ [camposme@nmsu.edu](mailto:camposme@nmsu.edu) for more information.**



## **COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK OWNERSHIP DEADLINES**

**APRIL 15, 2026**

**MARKET STEER AND BREEDING HEIFER**

**JUNE 1, 2026**

**DAIRY HEIFER, GOAT, LAMB AND SWINE**



## Congratulations!

**Owen Garver, Trygg White, Allison Westfall and Dixon Mortimer qualified for 4-H FCS Nationals by placing 1st at the NM 4-H State Conference. In San Antonio they placed 4th as a team and Owen was the 5th place overall individual.**



**APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!**

**NEW DATE!**

**NEW MEXICO YOUTH RANCH MANAGEMENT**

**★ RANCH CAMP ★**

**JUNE 21-26, 2026**

**Cimarron, NM**

**Ages 15-19 • Camp Fees: \$400**

- Learn Ranching Skills & Management
- College-Level Instruction
- Real Working Ranch Experience

**Only 30 Spots Available!**

**nmyrm.nmsu.edu**

**NM STATE UNIVERSITY** College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences Cooperative Extension Service

## Community Service Scholarship Criteria

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

EVENT (Community Service Scholarship Application)	DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION (2 months before event registration deadline)
Youth Get-Away	February 2, 2026
Horse School	March 16, 2026
4-H Dog School	April 15, 2026
Livestock School	April 15, 2026
State 4-H Conference	April 15, 2026
Ambassador/Officer Positions	May 1, 2026

# 4-H Ages for the 2025-2026 Year

	Cloverbud	Novice	Junior	Senior
Grade*	Kinder, 1st, 2nd	3rd, 4th, 5th	6th & 7th	8th & up
Age as of January 1 of 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, and 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.

## 4-H Ages for Rodeo

	Cloverbud	Novice	Junior	Senior
Grade*		3rd, 4th, 5th	6th & 7th	Does not apply
Age as of January 1 of the current 4-H year (October - September)	<b>CLOVERBUDS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN 4-H RODEO</b>	8 year olds in the 3rd grade, 9 year olds, 10 year olds, and 11 year olds in the 5th grade	11 year olds in the 6th grade; 12 year olds; 13 year olds in the 7th grade and 14 year olds (regardless of grade)	Must be 15 years old regardless of grade; 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.

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.

# Event/Participant Calendar

		CB	NOVICE	JR	SR	VOL
4-H Returning Member Enrollment Deadline	1/15/2026					
New Member Enrollment OPEN	1/1/2026	X	X	X	X	X
New Member Enrollment Deadline	4/1/2026	X	X	X	X	X
Returning Member Enrollment Deadline	1/15/2026	X	X	X	X	X
New Member Enrollment OPEN	1/1/2026	X	X	X	X	X
New Member Enrollment Deadline	4/1/2026	X	X	X	X	X
Shooting Sports Enrollment Deadlines	1/30/2026		X	X	X	X
Air Rifle, Archery, Rifle and Shotgun-enrollment deadline	1/30/2026		X	X	X	X
Muzzleloader & Pistol-enrollment deadline	1/30/2026				X	X
International Night	2/28/2026	X	X	X	X	X
County Wide Project Meeting	dates in Cloverleaf	X	X	X	X	X
Poker Ride-County Council Fundraiser	10/19/2025					
4-H Day at the Roundhouse	2/9/2026	X	X	X	X	X
Youth Shooting Sports Leadership Summit	3/20/26-3/22/26				X	
Youth Get-Away (Glorietta, NM)	4/17/26-4/19/26		X	X		X
Bernalillo County Shooting Sports District/State Qualifiers	3/29/26		X	X	X	X
Project Enrollment Deadline	5/1/2026	X	X	X	X	X
NM State 4-H Shooting Sports Championship	4/30/26-5/3/26				X	X
Bernalillo County 4-H Talent Show and Fashion Revue	TBD	X	X	X	X	X
Bernalillo 4-H County Contest	TBD	X	X	X	X	X
Small Animal School	5/16/26	X	X	X	X	X
4-H Horse School	June-TBD	X	X	X	X	X
NM Youth Ranch Management Camp	6/21/26-6/26/26				X	
Southern 4-H Regional Livestock School	6/3/26-6/5/26		X	X	X	X
NW District Shooting Sports Contest	6/12/2026		X	X	X	X
Northern 4-H Regional Livestock School-Bi County Fairgrounds	6/196/26-6/20/26		X	X		X
Northern District Contest-Cibola County	6/23/26-6/24/26		X	X		X
National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship-Grand Island, NE	6/21/26-6/26/26				X	X
4-H Dog School	TBD		X	X	X	X
State 4-H Conference	7/14-7/17/2026				X	X
Bernalillo County 4-H Fair	TBD	X	X	X	X	X
New Mexico State Fair	9/ 10-9/20/2025		X	X	X	X
New Mexico Food Challenge	9/19/2026		X	X	X	X
NM State 4-H Horse Show	TBD		X	X	X	X
Southern New Mexico State Fair	9/30/26-10/4/26		X	X	X	X
Southern New Mexico State Fair-Youth Hall	9/30/26-10/4/26	X	X	X	X	X
Eastern New Mexico State Fair-Roswell, NM	10/5/26-10/10/26		X	X	X	X
NM State 4-H Rodeo Finals	15	TBD		X	X	X

**Bernalillo County  
4-H Club  
Leader and Meeting Information**

CLUB NAME	DAY	TIME	PLACE	LEADER NAME	LEADER CONTACT
BE YOU CREW	TBD	TBD	TBD	ROBYN HILL	310.910.3277 or <a href="mailto:neveroverthehills@gmail.com">neveroverthehills@gmail.com</a>
EAST MOUNTAIN OUTLAWS	2nd TUESDAY OR THURSDAY OF THE MONTH		Meeting information sent in club Groupme	RAQUEL WHITE	725.244.0368
ELITE LIVESTOCK	2nd THURSDAY OF THE MONTH	6PM	VALLEY VIEW CHURCH EDGEWOOD	MANDI MARTIN & CATHY APPLEGATE	<a href="mailto:ELITELIVESTOCK4-H@GMAIL.COM">ELITELIVESTOCK4-H@GMAIL.COM</a>
LOS RANCHOS	3rd THURSDAY OF THE MONTH	7PM	4-H CENTER	JODY PEACH	<a href="mailto:Losranchos4h@gmail.com">Losranchos4h@gmail.com</a>
MOUNTAIN HEIGHTS	1st MONDAY OF THE MONTH	6:30PM	4-H CENTER	MOLLY HAYES	505.554.8338
PAJARITO VOLANDO	4th MONDAY OF THE MONTH	6PM	4-H CENTER	MELISSA CAMPOS	TEXT ONLY 505.205.0901
PONDEROSA	1st TUESDAY OF THE MONTH	6:30PM	COMMUNITY CHURCH OF THE SANDIAS 45 FROST RD SANDIA PARK, NM 87047	STACY SESNIE & DONNA GILLINGHAM	<a href="mailto:Stacey_sesnie@yahoo.com">Stacey_sesnie@yahoo.com</a>
ROADRUNNERS	1st MONDAY OF THE MONTH	5:30PM	LUJAN HOUSE	NICOLE LUJAN	<a href="mailto:Nicoledee@lujan.com">Nicoledee@lujan.com</a>



# THE GAME OF 4-H

YOUTH GET AWAY

2026

**SAVE THE DATE**

April 17-19, 2026  
Glorietta Activity Camp

**REGISTRATION FORM AND FEE DUE**

**@ 4PM ON MARCH 9, 2026**

**\$180**

**[Click here for registration form](#)**



**TIP OF THE MONTH**  
**FEBRUARY**  
**Submit Your FAFSA**

The **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** helps you access grants, work-study, and student loans to help pay for college. It's free to fill out—and it can make a big difference. Submit your FAFSA as soon as possible at [studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) using NMSU's school code: **002657**.

# Northern Livestock Schools

## SAVE THE DATES 2026

**MAY  
16**

**SMALL ANIMAL SCHOOL:  
RABBIT AND**

**Location:  
Bernalillo County Extension Office**



**JUNE  
19 &  
20**

**NORTHERN LIVESTOCK  
SCHOOL**



**Location:  
Bi-County Fair Grounds Prewitt, NM**

**NM  
STATE**



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**Find us on Facebook Bernalillo County 4-H**

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bernalillo-County-4-H/121216911232489>

**Cloverleaf Newsletter is on the Web!**

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

**Leaderline Newsletter on the Web!**

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

## Event Calendar

Event	Date/Time
<b>4-H Day at the Roundhouse Santa Fe, NM</b>	<b>February 9, 2025</b>
<b>Shooting Sports Leader Certification T or C, NM</b>	<b>February 21-22, 2026</b>
<b>FCS School Bernalillo County Extension Office Albuquerque, NM</b>	<b>March 13-15, 2026</b>
<b>Youth Shooting Sports Leadership Summit Raton, NM</b>	<b>March 20-22, 2026</b>
<b>Ignite Conference Washington D.C.</b>	<b>March 25-29, 2026</b>
<b>National 4-H Conference Arlington, Virginia</b>	<b>April 10-15, 2026</b>