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Committee Meetings:

Horse Council: November 6, 2025 6:m County Council: November 6, 2025 7pm Fair Board: November 10, 2025 6pm

Shooting Sports Committee: November 13, 2025 6pm

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4-H ENROLLMENT OPENS OCTOBER 1ST, 2025

Please sign and date waivers before uploading into Zsuite



4-H Enrollment Opened October 1, 2025 4h.zsuite.org

ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST COMPLETE THE NM WORKING WITH MINOR 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

New 4-H Building

4-H leaders, parents and volunteers

We are officially starting the planning phase for our new campus and building.

Please join us at the 4-H building during the project meeting.

Monday November 17, 2025 5:30pm-8pm

Bernalillo County will be on-site to learn how we utilize the 4-H building and what we would like in our new building.

Come share your thoughts and ideas as we start the planning process for our new campus.

Note, this will not be a formal public meeting with presentations. Instead, it will be an informal informational gathering session for the county.

As we learn more about the process and timeline, we will share that information with everyone accordingly.

Thank You John Garlisch COUNTY WIDE PROJECT MEETINGS
THE 3RD MONDAY(5:30PM-8PM)AND
SATURDAY(3PM-6PM) OF THE MONTH
BEGINNING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2025



JOIN US FOR CERAMICS, LEATHERCRAFT, MACRAME OR SEWING

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL MOLLY Hayes at 505.554.8338

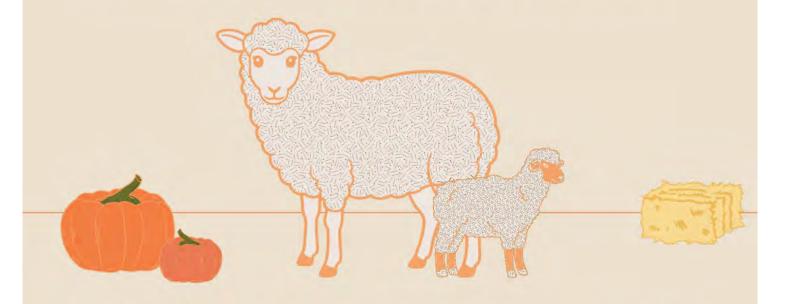
FALL FARM

SATURDAY OCT. 11 2025

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

RESINVAL

GUTIÉRREZ-HUBBELL OPEN SPACE 6029 ISLETA BLVD. SW, ALBUQUERQUE, NM



FREE | FAMILY FRIENDLY | ARTISAN MARKET

TRADITIONAL ISLETA DANCERS | PETTING ZOO | MUSIC

HISTORIC HOUSE & FIELD TOURS | FOOD TRUCKS













AATR ANNUAL

POKER RIDE

OCTOBER 19, 2025

Proceeds Benefit Bernilillo County 4-H

- Registration begins at 7:30 AM
- Ride out 9-10:30 AM
- Awards- 2:00 PM
- Participation \$35
- Extra Hands \$5
- Tack Swap and Vendor Spots Available for \$10
- Food Truck
- Bar SL Vet Services for Horses and Dogs
- Event Photos by Pam Bishop

10308 2nd St NW, Albuquerque

Trail Ride Begins and Ends at Bernalillo County Sheriff's Posse

HELMETS REQUIRED FOR MINORS

Contact Mandi Martin With Any Questions: COWBOYSNANGELSFARM@GMAIL.COM

Volunteer,
Registration, Waiver
and Map links are
available at

Pokerride.org

County Council

November 6, 2025 at 7pm at the Bernalillo County Extension Office

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

Horse Council

November 6, 2025 at 6pm

Where: Bernalillo County Extension Office

Shooting Sports Committee Meeting

November 13, 2025 at 6pm

4-H Center

Bernalillo County 4-H Fair Board Meeting

November 10, 2025 at 6pm at the Bernalillo County Extension Office



OPEN
HOUSE
THURSDAY

OCTOBER 30, 2025
5:30 PM -8:30 PM

FAIR BOARD ELECTIONS November 10, 2025

Bernalillo County Extension Office 6pm

You must be a FULLY ENROLLED volunteer in order to run for a Fair Board position

NO EXCEPTIONS

Please send your Letter of Intent to Melissa Campos at camposme@nmsu.edu if you would like to run for a position on the Fair Board. Letters of Intent are due on November 3, 2025 at 4pm.

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	5, 6, 7- 8 year olds	8 year olds in the	11 year olds in the	13 year olds in the
January 1	in the 2nd grade	3rd grade, 9 year	6th grade; 12 year	8th grade: 14 year
of the cur-		olds, 10 year olds,	olds; 13 year olds	olds: 15 year olds;
rent 4-H		and 11 year olds in	in the 7th grade	16 year olds: 17
year		the 5th grade		year olds: 18 year
(October -				olds; Youth who
Septem-				are 19 by Decem-
ber)				ber 31 of the cur-
				rent 4-H year are
				not eligible to en-
				roll as a 4-H mem-
				ber.

4-H Ages for Rodeo

	Cloverbud	Novice	Junior	Senior
Grade*		3rd, 4th, 5th	6th & 7th	Does not apply
Age as of		8 year olds in the	11 year olds in the	Must be 15 years
January 1	CLOVERBUDS	3rd grade, 9 year	6th grade; 12 year	old regardless of
of the cur-	ARE NOT	olds, 10 year olds,	olds; 13 year olds	grade; 15 year
rent 4-H	ALLOWED TO	and 11 year olds in	in the 7th grade	olds; 16 year olds;
year	PARTICIPATE IN 4 H DODEO	the 5th grade	and 14 year olds	17 year olds; 18
(October -	IN 4-H KUDEU		(regardless of	year olds; Youth
Septem-			grade)	who are 19 by De-
ber)				cember 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	DATE	СВ	NOVICE	JR	SR	VOL
Enrollment open for NEW 4-H Year	10/1/2025	Х	Х	X	Х	X
Bernalillo County 4-H Open House	10/30/2025	Х	Х	X	Х	Х
Returning Member Enrollment Deadline	1/15/2026	Х	Х	X	Х	Χ
New Member Enrollment OPEN	1/1/2026	Χ	Х	Χ	Х	Х
New Member Enrollment Deadline	4/1/2026	Χ	Х	Χ	Х	Х
Shooting Sports Enrollment Deadlines	1/31/2026		Х	X	Х	Х
Air Rifle, Archery, Rifle and Shotgun	1/31/2026		Х	X	Х	X
Muzzleloader & Pistol	1/31/2026				Х	Х
International Night	TBD	X	Х	X	Х	Х
County Wide Project Meeting	dates in Cloverleaf	X	Х	X	Х	Х
Poker Ride-County Council Fundraiser	10/19/2025					
County Wide Christmas Dance and Gift Exchange	12/4/2025	X	X	X	X	X
Youth Shooting Sports Leadership Summit	TBD				X	
Youth Get-Away (Glorietta, NM)	4/17-4/19/2026		X	X		X
Bernalillo County Shooting Sports District/State Qualifiers	TBD		Х	X	X	X
Project Enrollment Deadline	5/1/2026	X	Х	X	X	X
NM State 4-H Shooting Sports Championship	TBD				X	X
Bernalillo County 4-H Talent Show and Fashion Revue	TBD	X	Х	X	X	X
Bernalillo 4-H County Contest	TBD	X	Х	X	X	X
Small Animal School	TBD	X	Х	X	X	X
4-H Horse School	TBD	X	Х	X	X	X
NM Youth Ranch Management Camp	TBD				X	
Southern 4-H Regional Livestock School	TBD		Х	X	X	X
NW District Shooting Sports Contest	TBD		Х	X	X	X
Northern 4-H Regional Livestock School	TBD		Х	X		X
Northern District Contest	TBD		Х	X		Χ
National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship	TBD				X	X
4-H Dog School	TBD		Х	X	X	X
State 4-H Conference	7/14-7/17/2026				X	Χ
Bernalillo County 4-H Fair	TBD	X	Х	X	X	Χ
New Mexico State Fair	9/ 10-9/20/2025		Х	X	X	X
New Mexico Food Challenge	TBD		Х	X	X	X
NM State 4-H Horse Show	TBD		Х	X	X	X
Southern New Mexico State Fair	TBD		Х	X	X	X
Southern New Mexico State Fair-Youth Hall	TBD	X	Х	X	X	X
Eastern New Mexico State Fair	TBD		Х	X	X	X
NM State 4-H Rodeo Finals	TBD		Х	X	X	X

Bernalillo County 4-H Club

Leader and Meeting Information

CLUB NAME	DAY	TIME	PLACE	LEADER	LEADER
				NAME	CONTACT
EAST MOUNTAIN OUTLAWS	2nd TUESDAY OR THURS- DAY OF THE MONTH		Meeting information sent in groupme	RAQUEL WHITE	725.244.0368
ELITE LIVESTOCK	2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH	6РМ	VALLEY VIEW CHURCH EDGEWOOD	MANDI MARTIN AND CATHY APPLEGATE	ELITELIVE- STOCK4H @GMAIL.COM
LOS RANCHOS	3rd THURSDAY OF THE MONTH	7PM	4-H CENTER	JODY PEACH	Losranchos4h @gmail.com 979.574.6658
MOUNTAIN HEIGHTS	1st MONDAY OF THE MONTH	6:30 PM	4-H CENTER	MOLLY HAYES	505.554.8338
PAJARITO VOLANDO	4TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH	6РМ	4-H CENTER	MELISSA CAMPOS	Text only 505.205.0901
PONDEROSA	1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH	6:30 PM	COMMUNITY CHURCH OF THE SAN- DIAS 45 FROST RD SANDIA PARK, NM 87047	STACY SESNIE AND DONNA GILLING- HAM	Stacy_sesnie @yahoo.com 505.270.3549

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, if you would like to be a leader or if you would like more information.

Melissa's Pages







Ag Quiz #3

What is the Latin name for Alfalfa?

What does AI mean when it comes to breeding terminolo-

gy? How many square feet are in an acre?

Of the crops wheat, sorghum, and blueberries, which prefers the most acidic soil? What country lead cocoa production in 2021?

What is this machine called?



Please email all responses to camposme@nmsu.edu It's a great time to start working on your PROJECTS!

PROJECT MEETING NIGHTS COMING SOON!!

Starting NOVEMBER and every 3rd Monday of the month

Come to the 4-H Center and work on next year's fair projects! We are looking to add the following: Floral & Finance*Speech*Favorite Foods*resin jewelry to our already large lineup of Entomology*baking* sewing*leathercraft*duded up denim*ceramics

Do you have additional ideas or suggestions on projects we can do? Please reach out to Ms. Molly Hayes

Hydroponics program: Starting in November during Project meetings (subject to change)

Upcoming Dates:

Horse & County Council meetings Oct 2nd 5-7pm

Hubble House – Oct 11th at the Gutierrez-Huble House

Council Intent to run letters due to Melissa/Phillip – No exceptions Oct 27th

Open House – Oct 30th 5:30pm

Poker Ride – Oct 19th registration starts at 7:30am

Adult retreat – Alb – Nov 8th, 2025

Agent in Service Nov 10th -13th (Brittany, Phillip, & Melissa will be out of office)

Turkey Bingo Nov 22nd

County wide Christmas Dance & Gift Exchange Dec 4th

It's never too early to start planning for your LIVE animal project (subject to change based on State guidelines)

Own By Dates to consider when choosing a project:

Dog – Dog must be 6 months old by Jan 1st **Market Steer & Breeding Heifer** – April 15th

Horse Certificates – May 1st

Poultry, Rabits, Goats, Swine, Lambs & Dairy Heifer - June 1st

Shooting Sports

Registration for Shooting Sports Starts on October 1st, 2025. Please note the age requirements for each discipline to avoid disqualification in participating. Remember that once registration closes your 4-H member will not be allowed to shoot until the following year.

Dress Code Reminder- As participants in and representatives of the New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program, the following clothing guidelines have been established for your involvement in state and national 4-H events.

Below are the following items that are prohibited:

- No garments or buttons with offensive slogans, advertisements, or artwork.
- No muscle shirts or long chains.
- No tube tops, halter tops, spaghetti strap tops (exceptions above), off the shoulder tops, low-cut tops, backless tops and sheer shirts.
- No swimwear visible outside of the pool area.

If a 4-H member is inappropriately dressed, he or she will be asked by an agent, adult 4-H leader or chaperone to go change into something appropriate.

Are you interested in becoming a COUNTY COUNCIL or a HORSE COUNCIL MEMBER?

What is a County Council Member you ask? Well, County Council is the group of 4-H members who help run your county wide 4-H program and vote to make decisions on behalf of our county's 4-H program. They decide what fundraisers to have, how money gets spent, and how we can help the Fair board with the County Fair. Horse Council is a part of the horse program that works on helping further opportunities for equestrian based activities. There are many positions available and, because this is a YOUTH run council, County Council members will be expected to meet and make decisions as a group without parents involved in the meetings. There will be two Agents on the board as well as an Adult Treasurer (this is the parent who signs the checks after the youth decide what to spend). The Adult Treasurer will only be able to join virtually on "Zoom" and will be asked to leave once the checking account information has been given.

Positions are voted on by your fellow 4-H members and will only be done in person.

Positions available and what they are asked to do:

President: Work with your 4-H club officer team and 4-H organizational leaders to establish yearly club goals, monthly meeting agendas and programs, and develop club activity calendar. Guide each meeting and encourage 4-H member participation. Lead the team of officers in identifying annual goals, activities and events. Appoint members to participate on club programs and committees. Become familiar with parliamentary procedure. Plan your monthly meetings. Be prepared and organized.

Vice President: Work with your 4-H club officer team and 4-H organizational leaders to establish yearly club goals, monthly meeting agendas and programs, and develop club activity calendar. Develop and carry out a club's program year, calendar and provide leadership and direction for the club's educational programs. Arrange club meeting programs and chair the program portion of club meetings. Distribute the annual program/calendar to all club members and their families. Learn the duties of the President and preside at meetings when the President is absent. Follow-up with any committees who have not reported to the club. Contact program guests and speakers immediately after plans for a program have been made. Assist the presenters at your 4-H club meetings.

Secretary: Work with your 4-H club officer team and 4-H organizational leaders to establish yearly club goals, monthly meeting agendas and programs, and develop club activity calendar. Record the happenings (take minutes) of each meeting. Set-up and maintain a secretary's binder for the program year. This binder should contain: annual goals, program plans, club roster, attendance, meeting minutes, committee reports and correspondence. Read aloud minutes of the previous meetings to the club. Send correspondence to special guests who assist or visit your 4-H club. Maintain a Club Roster and Attendance List. Keep a record of attendance at each meeting.

Treasurer: Work with your 4-H club officer team and 4-H organizational leaders to establish yearly club goals, monthly meeting agendas and programs, and develop club activity calendar. Meet with club officers and leaders to develop a club budget for the year. Keep accurate, up to date records (of? i.e. financial transactions). Present a treasurer's report at each club meeting. Promptly pay all bills authorized for payment by the club budget or by club members. Maintain financial records including copies of all invoices, bills and cash receipts relating to the funds and property of the club. Check the monthly bank statements for 4-H accounts and keep an accurate ledger.

Optional:

Parliamentarian: Work with your 4-H club officer team and 4-H organizational leaders to establish yearly club goals, monthly meeting agendas and programs, and develop club activity calendar. Keep order at the club meetings. Assist in training the other officers in their duties and in parliamentary procedure. Make parliamentary rulings during the business portion of the meetings. Become familiar with the majority of motions that might be used in 4-H meetings. Become familiar with the following actions that may take place in a 4-H business meeting: Motions, Nominations, Amending a Motion and Committee Reports

Reporter: Work with your 4-H club officer team and 4-H organizational leaders to establish yearly club goals, monthly meeting agendas and programs, and develop club activity calendar. Report and tell your 4-H club, community and county about 4-H club events. Promote 4-H and encourage new members to join. Photograph 4-H meetings, events and programs. Write and submit news releases about 4-H activities and events to media. Keep a scrapbook of all articles submitted and published articles, if you do not have a 4-H Historian. Send reports and photographs to the County 4-H Agent for the County 4-H Newsletter.

Historian: Work with your 4-H club officer team and 4-H organizational leaders to establish yearly club goals, monthly meeting agendas and programs, and develop club activity calendar. Keep a scrapbook of all articles submitted, as well as published articles. Keep a record of the 4-H club's past. Collect and record the present to preserve it for the future. Publish monthly or quarterly club newsletters to report about member accomplishments. Ask members to write stories for the newsletter about events, projects and community activities. Provide a column in the newsletter for the leader's thoughts, Photograph the 4-H members at various 4-H events. Send reports and photographs to the County 4-H Agent for the County 4-H Newsletter.

Song & Rec Leader: Work with your 4-H club officer team and 4-H organizational leaders to establish yearly club goals, monthly meeting agendas and programs, and develop club activity calendar. Organize and create activities for your 4-H club to participate in either before the business or program portions of your 4-H meetings. Help 4-H members feel welcome and meet each other. Create a fun and enthusiastic atmosphere for your 4-H meetings and events.

Council Delegate: Represent your 4-H Club at County 4-H Council Meetings. Report your club events to your 4-H Council Meetings. Report Council Events at your 4-H Club Meetings. Participate in County 4-H Council Events and Activities.

So, how do you run for office?

Well, you will need to write a speech and then someone else will need to nominate you for the position.

Melissa Campos will need a written letter of intent to run by OCT. 27th 2025 for County Council and Phillip Alden will need the same for Horse Council.

Elections will take place the following week on Nov. 6th during the regularly scheduled County Council Meeting.

Council meetings happen once a month and it will be mandatory to attend in person meetings 75% of the time, while "Zoom" exceptions made on a limited basis. This is a full-time commitment to your county and your fellow 4-H members and should be treated as such.

Remember, this is a YOUTH run program and we need your time and dedication to make it a fun and eventful year!



	Are you	_ If you can check ju	st one
Ī	A 4-H parent?		
	Registered as a parent volunteer in your club	of these boxes,	men

	A 4-11 parent:
	Registered as a parent volunteer in your club and county
	A club organizational leader or assistant leader
2	A county 4-H agent
Ţ	A parent who wants to understand 4-H better?
	Devices

Do you...

	Help out at club meetings
	Want to help your 4-Her succeed
	Volunteer as a club project leader or helper
	Chaperone 4-Hers to events & activities
Ĭ	Volunteer at county activities, contests & fairs

Would you...

Like to learn more about the 4-H program
Like to meet other 4-H adults who do what you do in 4-H
Be willing to share what you know and do with others
Enjoy a day of fun, friends and 4-H designed for adults just like you



Albuquerque, N.M.

- Registration information will be available at https//:nm4h.nmsu.edu in August
- · Are you a first-time attendee? Apply for a tuition scholarship. Information in registration packet
- Willing to share your knowledge & expertise in any area of 4-H? Please submit a Workshop Proposal.
- Proposals will be available on the State 4-H website starting in April. Submossion deadline June 1, 2025
- For more information about the Adult Retreat contact Cheryl Butterfield at 575-646-3026





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New Mexico 4-H Adult Retreat 2025 Schedule



November 8, 2025 • Albuquerque, NM

Registration; Auction/Door Prize Drop Off; Display Set-Up 8:30-9:00 AM

9:00-9:45 AM Welcome And Get Acquainted Activity **Guest Speaker**

9:50-11:20 AM - Workshops - Session 1

1a. Running an Effective 4-H Club

1b. What's the Difference?

1c. Learning to Work with Everyone's RealColors

1d. Deadline Club Reporter - Making this job an "Issue" to read.

11:20 AM-Noon Networking & Energizing

Noon-1:00 PM Lunch

1:00-2:30 PM - Workshops - Session 2

2a. Got 4-H Members?

2b. The Science of Agriculture

2c. The Perfect Project for All 4-Hers

2d. Beyond Ready to Knit

General Session and Break 2:35-3:05 PM

3:10- 4:10 PM - Workshops - Session 3

3a. Minimal to No Prop Activities - 4-H Fun on the Fly

3b. Electricity Intro Project - Science Bag 3c. What's On Your Plate: Serving Up Shared Solutions for Club Management

3d. Favorite Foods Contest

4:15 PM Snacks/Head Home

For registration go to the New Mexico State 4-H website at https://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/adult-volunteer-leaders.html#anchor 84147



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Early Registration \$40 Now-October 15

Late Registration \$50 October 16-31

T-Shirt Purchase \$20 Now-October 15



TIP OF THE MONTH

October Start Planning Financially

College is an investment—and NMSU is committed to making it affordable. Completing your FAFSA and scholarship applications early gives you the best shot at financial aid. Learn about your options at fa.nmsu.edu.

Melissa Campos 4-H Ag Agent

Lead Agent for: Livestock projects, Shooting Sports, Small Animal Projects

Email - camposme@nmsu.edu

Brittany Sonntag Brittany Sonntag, Urban 4-H Agent

Lead Agent for: School Enrichment, Military Partnership, STEM Projects, After School Clubs, Horse Council

Email - bsonntag@nmsu.edu

Phillip Alden 4-H FCS Agent

Lead agent for all Family and Consumer Science Projects.

Email: palden@nmsu.edu





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
NM 4-H Adult Retreat Albuquerque, NM	November 8, 2025
4-H National	November 28-December 2, 2025
4-H FCS National Championship and Conference San Antonio, TX	January 14-16, 2026
Senior Leadership Retreat Las Cruces, NM	January 23-25, 2026
4-H Day at the Roundhouse Santa Fe, NM	TBD
FCS School Bernalillo County Extension Office	March 6-8, 2026 or March 13-15, 2026