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Dear 4-Her's, Parents, and Leaders,

As the weather is heating up, so are things here at the Extension Office. We are in full swing for Spring, so as you read the newsletter, please take time to mark your calendar with all of the 4-H happenings that will be taking place.

First, there are many project workshops underway and in the works. Also, be sure to check all the livestock schools and clinics available in the Livestock Updates pages. You don't want to miss out on all the great opportunities!

Second, judging season is just around the corner. You will find the County Contest schedule on page 5 and descriptions of the contests are on page 7. Many judging practices are under way. Youth will need to participate in county contest in order to qualify to participate at District Contest and State 4-H Conference. If you are interested in training or coaching a team please let us know.

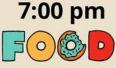
This year, Curry County will be hosting the Southeast District Contest for Novices & Juniors June 17th - 19th. This contest allows members from the SE counties to interact & compete against each other. Please remember that members will need to participate in county contest to qualify. We hope Chaves County will be well represented.

There's a lot of information in this newsletter. 4-H is busy! Please take time to look it over and don't hesitate to call with any questions.

- Tamara and Katy



Tuesday April 15th





Council officers meet @ 6:30 pm.

# **CONTESTS & JUDGING**

More Information on pages 5-7

### COUNTY

Cloverbuds, Novice, Juniors & Seniors

> May 5th-8th Roswell, NM

### DISTRICT

**Novice & Juniors** 

June 17th-19th Clovis, NM

### STATE

Seniors

July 7th-10th Las Cruces, NM

Please complete the Contest Interest Form (page 6) and return the form (1 form per person) to the Chaves County Extension Office by April 15th.

Shooting Sports contests for Novice, Junior and Seniors will be taking place at different times over the next three months. Please review Shooting Sports contest dates on pg. 9



### **Project Meeting Months!**

February
April
June
August
October
December



Questions? Please call, 575-622-3210



The Chaves County 4-H Cloverbuds allow 5-8 year olds to participate in their own projects! We do activities associated with the 4-H Cloverbud projects & other fun learning activities!

### **4-H Cloverbud Participation**

#### PURPOSE OF THE CLOVERBUD PROGRAM:

The overall purpose of the 4-H Cloverbud program is to foster the development of life skills that are essential for the cognitive, social, emotional, and physical maturation of kindergarten through 2nd graders by providing a unique educational opportunity. Children in these grades are a distinct audience for 4-H, with unique learning characteristics and developmental needs that are different from older children and youth served through 4-H membership. As a result, the 4-H Cloverbuds program is designed with specific educational objectives and program policies focused on the kindergarten-2nd grade child.

Reminder: Cloverbuds in Chaves County have their own age appropriate projects in which they are enrolled. Chaves County Cloverbuds meet every other month to develop life skills and complete their projects during county club meetings, where 4-H project workshops (sewing, leathercraft, dog, shooting sports, etc.) are scheduled for traditional members (those who are 8 and in the 3rd grade or 9 to 18. ) The Cloverbud program is a great opportunity and makes it easier for our Cloverbuds to transition into becoming a traditional 4-H member.

### Little Books Little Cooks

The Little Books Little Cooks program is specifically for Cloverbuds and their friends (don't have to be enrolled to participate). Save the Date and plan to join us Saturday April 5th at 11:00 am for some literacy and food fun. We will have story time, cook some yummies, and craft.

RSVP 3/28th



### Cloverbuds...

Cloverbuds meet in conjunction with our regularly scheduled 4-H club meetings. Choose a club from the back of the newsletter, that works with your family's schedule and/or has friends/family, to attend once a month.

Attend meetings monthly or just during the even months when Cloverbuds breakout and have their own project meeting!

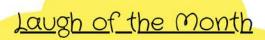
# Other opportunities with parent participation:

- 4-H Day at the Library
- County Contest
- .



# GENERAL INFORMATION





What type of tree fits in your hand?

A Palm Tree!



### Chaves County 4-H Attendance

The Ext. Office is continuing to keep track of attendance based on club sign-in sheets.

In order for members to participate in the 4-H events (State Shoot, District Contest, State Conference, County Fair etc.) they will need to be active in their club meetings and activities. Club leaders will be signing off on member eligibility to attend these events so make sure you attend your meetings.

If you have any questions please contact Katy at the Ext. Office (575-622-3210).



# Once enrolled members may add projects until May 1st!

Youth may select as many projects as they like. Some projects have different levels of difficulty. We ask that you start at level 1 and them add a level each year if needed.

### Extension Club Scholarship

Due April 18, 2025

### The Almeda Goolsby Scholarship...

Amount: \$500 per academic year. Applicant must be an enrolling Freshman or Sophomore in any New Mexico accredited college, university, or accredited vocational school/program of the applicant's choice.

#### The Jewell Limacher Scholarship...

Amount: \$500 per academic year. Applicant must be an upper classman (Junior or Senior) at New Mexico State University with a grade point average of 2.5 or better.

Please contact the office for full details or check out the Scholarship Notebook located in the reception area. Notebook is being updated weekly.

The Scholarship Notebook contains information on a variety of scholarships for high school seniors involved in Chaves County 4-H and FFA. Now is the time to start filling out applications.



# Who's reading their newsletter?

Each month there will be a hidden clover with 2-C's, for Chaves County, in the middle. Find the clover, call the Ext. Office and reveal your answer. The first 5 people to call the office with the correct answer will be put into a drawing for a special prize.



The March Clover was located on page 13.

Lakynn Taylor found the March clover. Can you find this month's?

# EVENTS AND DEADLINES



#### PROJECT WORKSHOP DAYS

Below are upcoming projects.

\*\* Please remember that youth must be enrolled in 4-H to participate in project workshops. \*\*

### **Baking Workshops**

**Extension Kitchen** 

Mondays

April 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th 4:30 - 6:00

Join Mrs. Ginger and Friends for some food Fun!

# Sewing Workshops MONDAYS

MONDAYS
April 14th 4:00 - 6:00
WEDNESDAYS

April 2nd, 23rd, 30th 2:30 - 5:00

Members will need to bring their own fabric, notions and thread. All meetings will be in the Ext. Auditorium. If you missed the pre meeting please get with Tamara for patterns and supplies before attending your first workshop.



Come Learn About Clowning Roswell: April 9th @ 3pm Hagerman: April 16th @ 3:30pm

Supplies will be provided Open youth ages 5-18, so bring your friends!



## Dog Handling & ShowmanshiP Classes 6:00PM

April 3, 10, 17 & 22 Farm & Livestock Bureau Building (Arts & Crafts)

# Contest Round Robin

Interested in Judging for the 2024-2025 year?

Come join us for contest round robin. We will have multiple contests set up with a short learning about the contests and time to practice.

Contests are available to youth at the county, district (Novice and Juniors), State (Seniors) and National levels. Contest are a great expansion of what youth are learning in their projects.

### Join Us the First Monday of each Month

April 7h 4:30 - 7 (come and go as needed)

FCS Contests Fashion Revue/Fashion Magic FCS Bowl

Livestock Skill a thon Meats ID





# **EVENTS AND DEADLINES COUNTY CONTEST TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**



### Thursday, May 1st

-Favorite Foods Recipes due in Ext Office

-Clothing and Commentaries due in Ext Office

Please email commentaries and recipes to tamschub@nmsu.edu

#### Monday, May 5th- Extension Auditorium

4:00 pm Sign in

4:30 pm Demonstration, Public Speaking, Poetry, and Talent Show

6:00 pm Horse Judging

### Tuesday, May 6th- Extension Auditorium

4:00 pm **Favorite Foods Contest** Livestock Judging 6:00 pm

### Wednesday, May 7th- Farm Bureau Building, Fairgrounds

Open Contests- Agronomy, Entomology, FCS Skill A Thon, Hippology, Horticulture, Livestock 3:00-7:00 pm

Skill a Thon, Meats, and Wildlife

4:00 pm Consumer Decision Making

5:00 pm FCS Bowl

### Thursday, May 8th-Farm Bureau Building, Fairgrounds

Clothing Appearance Judging 3:30 pm Clothing: Modeling Practice 5:00 pm

Fashion Revue, Talent Show, Pizza, and Awards 6:00 pm

• Youth will need to be present at the start of the contest and stay until the contest is completed.

• Open Contests- youth may complete the contest at any time during the assigned time frame.

### DISTRICT CONTEST INFORMATION

\*More info to come in May\*

June 17th-19th with Shooting Sports on the 17th When:

Where-Clovis, NM

Registration: Registration will be available for pick at County Contest

Awards on Thursday May 8th

Novice and Junior Youth who qualified in their respective Who:

contests at county contest

Note: All Counties is taking place in Clovis the same time Hotels:

as District Please book Hotels early if planning on staying

over night.



# EVENTS AND DEADLINES



### Contest Interest Form

All 4-H members, enrolled by March 31st, are eligible to compete in various types of contests and judging. County Contest will be held May 5th-8th, at the Extension Office and the ENMSF. The Southeast 4-H District Contest will be held June 17th-19th in Curry County, and State 4-H Conference will be held July 7th-10th in Las Cruces, NM.

Please check all the contests you wish to participate in and return this form (1 form per person) to the Chaves County Extension Office by April 15th. Many judging practices have already started and more will be added, so be sure to check the newsletter. If you are a parent/leader volunteer and would like to help coach teams this year, please let us know.

Name:	Cloverbuds	Junior
Club:	Novice	Senior

#### Cloverbud only (cloveberbud contests are non competitive)

Fashion Revue Favorite Foods FCS Skill A Thon Poetry
Agronomy Entomology Horticulture Wildlife

State 4-H Land, Pasture/Range Management, and Dairy Judging contests take place with the FFA contests April 1-4th

### Novice and Junior Only

Agronomy

Clothing Construction/Fashion Revue

Consumer Decision Making

Entomology

**Favorite Foods** 

Family and Consumer Science Bowl

Family and Consumer Science Skill A Thon

Horse Bowl

Horse Judging

Horticulture

Livestock Judging

Livestock Skill A Thon

Meats ID

Parliamentary Procedure

Poetry

Presentations (Ag, FCS or General)

**Public Speaking** 

Wildlife

**Senior Only** 

Agronomy Clothing Construction/Fashion Revue

Fashion Magic

Consumer Decision Making

Entomology

**Favorite Foods** 

Hippology

Family and Consumer Science Bowl

Family and Consumer Science Skill A Thon

Horse Bowl

Horse Judging

Horticulture

Livestock Judging

Livestock Skill A Thon

Meats ID

Parliamentary Procedure (takes place at SLR)

Presentations (Ag, FCS or General)

**Public Speaking** 

Talent Show

Wildlife Habitat Evaluation

New: N/J may participate in Talent Show at the County Level Only

Please see page 9 for information on shooting sports county contest dates and times.

See contest descriptions on the next page.



# EVENTS AND DEADLINES



Agronomy	This contest consists of plant, seed, farm equipment, and insect identification as well as three placing classes from the following classes: grain crops, forage crops, and fruit or vegetable crops.		
Eachion Povuo	Member must be enrolled in the 4-H clothing project and complete a garment in one of the following clothing projects: Sewing I or II; Mix & Match I or II; Let's Make a T-shirt; Sew 'N Go; Serger Sewing; Creative Touches; Quilting; Sr Clothing Construction I or II; Clothing SD		
Consumer Decision Making	This contest has members learn decision making skills to become good consumers. Contestants place classes of different items one might purchase based on a scenarios needs.		
Entomology	This contest tests the member's knowledge of insects commonly found in NM. The participant will ID and answer one question per specimen. There is an additional test of 25 questions concerning collection and mounting techniques taken from Entomology I project material.		
Family Consumer Science Bowl	This is a team event where the objective is to provide 4-H members with an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge in home environment, food, nutrition, clothing, health and child development.		
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Fashion Magic (Seniors)	This contest involves 3 phrases of judging: Garment/ Accessories, Notebook; Interview. Each phase will be evaluated using the project evaluation form. All contestants must complete the Fashion Magic project in "Wardrobe Planning" before enrolling in "Clothing Coordination" or "In the Marketplace".		
Favorite Foods	The objective of this contest is to allow 4-Hers the opportunity to experience meal planning and presentation while preparing a dish that they like. 4-Hers learn about food preparation and nutrition while preparing for the show.		
Hippology (Seniors)	Hippology is a contest of knowledge and understanding of equine science and husbandry.		
Horse Bowl	This contest is a team event in which members demonstrate their knowledge of the horse and the horse project in a 'Jeopardy' type format.		
Horse Judging	This contest consists of placing classes of horses at halter and performance. Performance classes may consist of Western Pleasure, Western Riding, Western Reining, or Hunter Under Saddle.		
Horticulture	This contest consists of identifying fruits, nuts, vegetables, herbs, and common houseplants found in most grocery stores, florist shops.		
Land (Seniors)	This contest consists of evaluating soil characteristics such as soil texture, structure, depth, permeability, reaction, degree or erosion, slope, drainage and flooding to classify the land into capability classes.		
Livestock	Classes of market &/or breeding beef, sheep, and swine are judged to develop decision making skills.		
Livestock Skill-A-Thon	This contest provides an opportunity for youth enrolled in 4-H to develop their livestock production skills and incorporates meats and wool judging, tool and livestock breed ID, and much more!		
Meats ID	This contest consists of evaluating classes of retail cuts and ID individual cuts of beef, lamb, and pork.		
Parliamentary Procedure	This is a team event in which youth conduct a meeting according to the items of business presented and will execute the motions and actions required.		
Poetry (Novice & Jr's)	Contestants will present either an original poem or one obtained from a book. The poem must be memorized and the participant may not use notes.		
Presentations	This contest consists of 2 different presentation types: Demonstration or Illustrated talk. NOTE: The member must be enrolled in the project area in which the presentation is given.		
Public Speaking	Participants present an original prepared speech that is no longer that 7 minutes in length.		
Talent Show (SR)	To encourage 4-H members to discover and develop their talents.		
Wildlife Habitat Evaluation	The purpose of the wildlife contest is to stimulate wildlife knowledge and participation in the 4-H Wildlife project area.		



# 4-H LIVESTOCK UPDATES



If you have	2025 Livestock Deadlines					
If you have any questions, please call the Ext. Office at 575-622-3210	Chaves County 4-H & FFA Fair July 21-25	NM State Fair Sept. 4-14			Eastern NM State Fair Oct. 2025	
	Ownership Deadline	Ownership Deadline	DNA Due	Entry Deadline	Ownership Deadline	
Market Steers	April 1	May 1	June 15	Aug. 1	May 1	
<b>Breeding Heifers</b>	April 1	May 1	N/A	Aug. 1	May 1	
Market Swine	June 1	June 15	June 15	Aug. 1	June 30	
Market Lamb	June 1	June 15	June 15	Aug. 1	June 30	
Dairy Heifer	June 1	June 15	June 15	Aug. 1	June 30	
Market Goat	June 1	June 15	June 15	Aug. 1	June 30	

In order for livestock to be tagged: Please make sure to have vour enrollments turned in & make sure you have enrolled in the livestock projects you plan to show.

### Rodeo Dates:

July 12 - 13 San Juan County - Farmington, NM July 25 - 26 Quay County - Tucumcari, NM August 16 - 17 Sierra County - Tor C, NM August 30 - 31 San Miguel County - Pecos, NM September 19 - 21 NM State 4-H Rodeo Finals - Farmington, NM

### Horse Project Participants

Horse Certificates need to be turned in by May 1st at the Extension Office.

A horse certificate is needed for any horse that may be used as a Horse project for the 2024-2025 year.

Forms can be found at the Office or online: https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/events/livestock.html See Tamara with any questions.



### Zivestock Inspection

\$5 plus (If at tag in days) \$0.16/hd sheep & goats OR \$1/hd swine OR \$0.50/hd cattle

\*A Form 1 Inspection is required for ALL livestock bearing the 2025 Youth Exhibitor Fair Tag, whether movement is in district or out of district.

### Save the date!



### NM4-H HORSE SCHOOL

The 2025 NM 4-H Horse School is tentatively scheduled for June 2 - 5 at the Dona Ana County Fairgrounds near Las Cruces, NM.

### SOUTHERN REGIONAL LIVESTOCK SCHOOL



June 4-6, 2025 Capitan, NM \$150 registration fee

### **4 Species Tracks** Available!

Goats 4

**Beef Cattle ◀** 

Swine 4

Lamb 4

Register at socorroextension.nmsu.edu **REGISTRATION WINDOW: APRIL 16-30** 



# Chaves County Sharp Shooters

### **Archery Practice**

#### @ Killshot Outdoors

820 N Garden Ave

2, 9, 16 @ 5:00 pm @ ENMSF - Southside 6 & 27 @1pm

Kennon Swinney 575-973-0959

### **Hunting Practice**

(Seniors Members ONLY)

See You Next Season!

Drew Garnett 575-840-2302 Robbie Scott 575-420-1901

### **Shotgun Practice**

Chaparral Trap & Skeet Club

Sr. Contest 6th @ 1pm Practice 12 @ 8am

Justin Campbell 575-626-0725 Jamie Higgins 575-420-7388

### .22 & Air Rifle Practice

Air Rifle @ ENMSF - Rabbit Barn 8 & 22 6pm .22 Rifle @ Chisum Cowboys See you next month!

Shawn Brink 575-420-7005 Melissa Brink 575-910-6693

### Muzzleloading

(Seniors Members ONLY)

See You Next Season!

Robbie Scott 575-420-1901

### .22 & Air Pistol Practice

(Seniors ONLY/ ages 14-18) .22 Pistol @ Roswell Gun Club/ **Chisum Cowboys** 

5, 19 & 26 @1pm

Air Pistol @ Killshot Outdoors 3, 17 & 24 @ 5pm

Ray Melton 505-660-9852 Justin Campbell 575-626-0725

### SENIOR COUNTY CONTESTS

Sr. Shotgun April 6th 1pm Chaparral N/Jr. .22 Rifle May 18th Chisum Cowboys N/Jr. Air Rifle May 20th ENMSFG Rabbit Barn If for whatever reasons you need accommodations for contest times please let Katy know as soon as possible.

### SHARP SHOOTERS ORDER 2025



Youth Sweatshirt \$25



Youth Cap \$12 Adult Cap \$12







Order & pay by April 4, 2025. All Checks payable to Chaves County 4-H Sharp Shooters

XXL +\$2 to listed price XXXL +\$3 to listed price

Questions? Ask Katy! kkwright@nmsu.edu

### SIGN UP FOR SHOOTING SPORTS COMMUNICATIONS FROM REMIND

Text 81010 with the following code to sign up for communications for your discipline:

Archery	@chavesarch
Hunting	@chaveshunt
Muzzleloading	@chavesmuzz
Pistol & Air Pistol	@chavespist
Rifle & Air Rifle	@chavesrifl
Shotgun ·····	@chavesshot

### NM Game & Fish **Hunter Education Course**



Plan ahead! If you haven't taken a hunter safety class and would like to participate in Shooting Sports for the 2024-2025 4-H year, check out the options below!

#### Under 10 years old -**Hunter Education Class**

Check on the NM Game & Fish website

10 years old and up -

Complete online training! http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education/ hunter-education/course-schedule/

Youth LS Shirt \$20 Adult LS Shirt \$20



# Chaves County Sharp Shooters

### **Shooting Sports Project Descriptions**

There are many questions about the Shooting Sports Projects. Below is some basic information that will help 4-H members decide which project they may be interested in.

- 4-H members enrolled in any of the Shooting Sports Projects MUST complete the following BEFORE attending practices
  - o complete 4-H enrollment for the new year in its entirety
  - attend 1 Chaves County 4-H Shooting Sports Safety Meeting each year
  - opay dues before shooting at a 4-H event.
  - successfully complete a New Mexico Department of Game and Fish Hunter Education Course before shooting at a 4-H event.
  - Sign and Turn in liability waivers for specific disciplines
- Participants are required to have attended a minimum of **FOUR** practices in their discipline in order to compete at District or State Competition.
- Cloverbud 4-H members may not enroll in any shooting sports projects or shoot at any 4-H event.

**Archery** – The archery project allows 4-H members to learn the proper equipment selection and care, shooting techniques, safety, and good sportsmanship. Any novice, junior, or senior 4-H member may enroll and participate. There is a district archery contest for novice and junior members and a state contest for senior members.

**Hunting** - The hunting discipline combines knowledge and understanding of hunting skills, wildlife ID and management, and orienteering which may include .22 rifle, muzzleloading, shotgun, or archery. Senior 4-H members may participate as long as they enroll in the Wildlife and shooting discipline projects. There is a state competition for senior 4-H members.

**Muzzleloading** – This project teaches the 4-H members the fundamentals of firing a muzzleloader, safety, gun care, black powder history, and more. Any novice, junior, and senior 4-H member may enroll in Muzzleloading, but there is no shooting contest at the district level for novice and junior 4-H members. There is a state competition for senior 4-H'ers.

**Pistol** – The pistol project teaches 4-H members the fundamentals of shooting a pistol, safety, and good sportsmanship. The project may include shooting .22 pistol outdoors and air pistol indoors. In Chaves County, this project is open only to senior 4-H members. There is a state competition in both .22 pistol and air pistol.

**Rifle** – The rifle project teaches 4-H members the fundamentals of shooting a rifle, safety, and good sportsmanship. The project includes shooting both .22 rifle outdoors and air rifle indoors. Any novice, junior, or senior 4-H member may enroll and participate. There is a district rifle contest in both .22 and air rifle for novice and junior members and a state contest in both .22 rifle and air rifle for senior members.

**Shotgun** – The shotgun project allows 4-H members to learn the fundamentals of shooting a shotgun, along with safety and good sportsmanship. 4-H members learn about and shoot the various types of shotguns. Any novice, junior, and senior 4-H member may enroll in shotgun. There is a district shotgun contest for novice & junior 4-H members and a state competition for senior 4-H'ers.

# REPORTER'S CORNER

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### **Rustic Arrows**





### Diamond H Reporter: Ethan Manemann

Diamond H 4-H Club was called to order at 7:04 PM After conducting our club old and new business. We had a demonstration by Skyler. And with his dog Kiki the Coyote Dog Skyler talked about the breeds history that started in 1885 in Alaska. This breed is a very smart hunting dog. We all enjoyed his demonstration with Kiki. After that the club members participated with Katy Wright in a game called "Wheel of Fortune "we all had a good time playing the game. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 2nd at 7:00 PM at the Extension office.

### **REMINDER:**

Club Reports are due to Katy by the 22nd of each month.

### Shepherd's Flock Reporter: Abigail Dodson

This 4-H meeting was called to order on March 17, at 6:31 P.M. Our next meeting will be in April 14, where we will meet at the fair grounds to clean up. We had no demonstrations this month. This meeting was adjourned at 6:50 by Josie and was seconded by Mazie.

#### Virtual Craft Fair

Unfortunately, due to windy, unsafe conditions the March County Council Meeting & Craft Fair was canceled, but that didn't stop some creative 4-Her's from showcasing their projects on social media!













### Kountry Kids Reporter: Brady Dennis

We had our meeting on March 7. We talked about upcoming events like tag ins, YGA, SLR, and county contest. We congratulated our senior archery shooters for completing county contest and making teams for state. We had a few members do demonstrations. Our next meeting is April 11 at the extension office.

# State 4-H Office News



### Citizenship Washington Focus

Rooted in legacy but reimagined for today, CWF is THE event for teens to learn leadership and communication skills through history, democracy, and our amendments.

For 6 days, teens from around the nation will gather to have meaningful discussions, hear from prominent speakers, influential leaders, and engaging young people who have created an impact. They will connect with 500 other teens and learn the skills they need to lead their about 5-7 minutes on a topic and open up for local communities and become change agents to build a brighter future. Registration due in October for the summer of 2026





#### Idea/Information Sharing for 4-H Volunteer Leaders via Zoom

An extension agent or 4-H volunteer will present sharing from participants for remainder of the 10 minutes. Sessions will be recorded and shared on the State 4-H website. Since the scheduled Take 10 sessions will only focus on one small part of a larger topic, additional resources will also be found on the State 4-H website under the selected Take 10 topic.



April 3rd

**Contest Guides** Details to follow.

### New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarships

Interested in attending an annual 4-H event and looking for a way to assist with registration costs? Apply for the New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarship. The scholarship will cover the registration expenses for SLR, YGA, Livestock School, Horse School, State 4-H Conference, FCS School, or 4-H Dog School.

Create their own community service or work with an organization in creating a new program. The project must be an activity that the youth designs, organizes and implements that will have an impact on the community.

Scholarship Applications for the events are due two months before the event registration deadline.











# hy Choose New Mexico State University?

come to the Department of Ag. & Extension Education where we prepare students for diverse careers in agricultural education, Extension, and agricultural communications.

NMSU College of ACES was ranked the #1 agricultural university in New Mexico by Agriculture-Schools in 2017.

Agricultural and Extension Education Major: Prepares students for careers as professional educators; develops students as leaders in agriculture, communications, technology, and related disciplines. There are three concentrations: Agricultural Education Teaching, Agricultural Communications, and Advanced Technology Education

Agricultural and Community Development Major Prepares students for a broad spectrum of domestic and international positions in government agencies and non-governmental organizations that deal with agricultural community development issues and natural resources. There are three concentrations:Cooperative Extension Service, Government Agencies, and International Programs





# YOUR NEXT STEP

### **NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY**

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Don't forget to keep in touch! Like and follow us on

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/NewMexicoState

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# <u>Be an Ag-vocate!</u>

# 4-H Advocates For Agriculture



# **All About Rabbits**

https://animalsmart.org/species/rabbits

Rabbits are easy to recognize. Their long ears help them detect predators and their long legs help them run for safety. Rabbits live in many regions of the world. They are herbivores, meaning they eat plant matter like hay.



Rabbits live in social groups, and they often dig burrows underground. A system of rabbit burrows is called a warren. A male rabbit is called a buck, and a female rabbit is called a doe. A baby rabbit is called a kitten or kit. Although some rabbits are small, they are not rodents.

Rabbits are often raised by humans as pets. A cage for a rabbit is called a hutch. In many parts of the world, rabbits are also raised for their meat and fur. Rabbit skins are warm and are used as clothing in some regions



Rabbits are known for having a fast rate of reproduction.

Normal gestation for rabbits is about 30 days. Because of this short interval between generations, rabbits have been able to quickly colonize new areas. In Australia and New Zealand, rabbits introduced by early colonists have become invasive species.

NOW

UPDATED!





Access the Chaves County 4-H
Full Year calendar
by going online OR download the app
& enter the link below!

https://teamup.com/ksmicdqxb4wxbyhsjc

Keep up with the dates on all 4-H events & activities!



Like & follow us on Facebook & Instagram!

NMSU Chaves County 4-H @nmsuchavescounty4H

Look for the "Events of the Week" posted on Mondays!



