

»»» SANTA FE COUNTY 4-H «««

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TOP NEWS OF THE MONTH



- CLUB/COUNTY REPORTS «««
- YOUTH GET AWAY «««
- SEE WHAT'S COMIN' UP! «««



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CLUB REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

EDGEWOOD CHAPARRALS

Edgewood Chaparrals April meeting consisted of lots of business including general reports on FCS school, Ignite, and county shooting sports contest for seniors. Brynlee Newsted and Adaline Lucero talked about their experience at FCS school in the ceramics and babysitting tracks. Rylan and Liam Newsted also talked about their experiences at Ignite in Washington DC. Rylan, Liam, Carter Shuert, Jaedyn Barela, and Aiden Schwebach talked about their time at County Contest for shooting sports and how they all did. The club held a 4-H Jeopardy game put on by officers. Team 2 won-awesome job!



NORTHERN STARS

Like most clubs, northern stars is always busy with their projects and working on entries for county fair. This is some of the leathercrafting the club has been participating in. Projects like these spark creativity, require development of technical skills, and provide opportunity for real-world application. Many students have started their own businesses from involvement in 4-H projects!



YOUTH GET-AWAY

Santa Fe County had 15 participants at Youth Get Away (YGA) April 17-19 located at the beautiful Glorieta Adventure Camp. Youth participated in hands-on, applicable and fun workshops, attended general sessions, and went to dances and additional activities with their peers over the weekend. Some of the workshops included Outdoor Survival, Intro to NM 4-H, Public Speaking, Food Science, Agriculture and Biosecurity, Rocketry, Forensic Science and other STEM workshops, Service Learning, Etiquette, and so many more!



CONGRATS ANGELO!

Angelo Apodaca of the Wide Horizons 4-H Club was 1 of 38 YGA Counselors and Counselors in Training (CITs) to be selected from a pool of over 80 applicants from 4-H clubs around the state of New Mexico. Congrats and great job on being a great leader, Angelo!

SANTA FE COUNTY DOG CLUB REPORT

The Santa Fe County 4-H Dog Project is now in its third year since relaunch, and the program continues to grow in both participation and impact.

2024 (Year One):

The program kicked off with a successful dog clinic led by David Crosby (Wabinaq K9), Gaia Richards, and Sharon Newcomb (Top Dog). Members also participated in a Family Day contest at the Santa Fe County Fair, judged by Sharon Newcomb. Sharon generously supported the program with additional presentations on safety, grooming, and showmanship. Prizes were donated by Tullivers Pet Food Emporium.

2025 (Year Two):

The program expanded to monthly meetings and welcomed guest speakers including Rachel Patty (grooming), Dexter’s Grove (dog first aid), and Sharon Newcomb. Members also gave back to the community by volunteering at the Santa Fe Animal Shelter.

2026 (Year Three):

This year began with an inspiring presentation from Assistance Dogs of the West, sparking interest in service and community impact. The program saw significant growth in active members and launched weekly training sessions beginning in February, led by 4-H alum Shelley Bachicha of No-No FiFi Dog Training & Pet Concierge.

Members have explored a wide range of topics including breed research, anatomy, health (with a presentation by veterinarian Jessica Waugh, DVM), safety, equipment, and foundational training skills. Weekly sessions have focused on obedience and showmanship, covering attention work, heeling, position commands (sit, stand, down), stays, patterns (figure 8, circles, speed changes), and table work for small dogs—supported by consistent at-home practice.

Accomplishments:

Participants have developed strong skills in handling, obedience, showmanship, and leadership while completing their 4-H projects. The program has also welcomed several new families through community interest and word of mouth.

Looking Ahead:

The group plans to remain active year-round, with Rally training beginning in May and Agility to follow if time allows. Upcoming activities include attending an AKC Dog Show in Albuquerque over Mother’s Day weekend, a second annual volunteer event at the Santa Fe Animal Shelter, and a behind-the-scenes tour at Shine Pet Food Co. Members are also preparing for a strong showing at the New Mexico State Fair in September, with Canine Good Citizen certification planned for this winter.

For more information or to get involved, please contact Natalie Buschbom at 505-428-9366.



COMIN' ON THE CALENDAR

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- **State Shoot: May 1-3: Good Luck Seniors!**
- **County Shoot (Novice/Juniors): Sunday May 17; Registration Due May 7, 4:30pm** <https://fs22.formsite.com/nmsuaces/cwdnxkn3gv/index>
- **Shooting sports raffle tickets due to extension office May 8**
- **Tagging; Lambs, Goats, and Pigs;** May 13 4:00pm-7:00pm (Fairgrounds)
May 20 4:00pm-7:00pm (Stanley)
- **Rio Grande Kennel Club Dog Show Spectator Opportunity; Albuquerque:** May 9-10; Contact Natalie Buschbom for more info: nbuschbom@gmail.com
- **4-H Poster Workshop;** Wed May 13. Register at: <https://forms.gle/ZPMWe7sKjEraS7zx9>
- **Small Animal School (Rabbit and Chicken): May 16;** Registration due May 8 <https://fs28.formsite.com/kalander/6kytreeo6ul/index>
- **Small Animal Declarations Due to extension office May 20**
- **All project book orders due May 31!**
- **Nutrition Camp for Cloverbuds (Ages 5-7): June 8-12;** <https://fs22.formsite.com/nmsuaces/hipp4c1vpu/index>
- **Northern Livestock School: June 19-20;** Registration due June 12; <https://fs28.formsite.com/kalander/mas7sstpt/index>
- **Northern District Contests: June 23-24;** Grants NM; Registration info to come

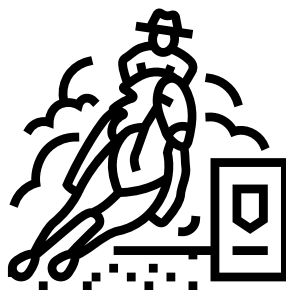
Note:

A list of scholarships available for graduating seniors was sent in Feb. with due dates attached. Please let Paige know if you need that list sent to you again.


Congrats!
TO ALL OUR GRADUATING SENIORS!

LET'S RODEO

Great job to all rodeo project participants who entered the T or C/Sierra County 4-H rodeo April 25-26. We are excited for the next one in Pecos/San Miguel County June 13-14! Keep practicing hard!



Rodeo Club

Niko Barela
Houston Chavez
Ashleigh Enriquez
Mackenzie Enriquez
Anothny Freeman
Bradley Prada
Mackenzie Robertson
Johnluke Velasco
Daniel Velasco
Ryker Verzuh
Riley Virden
Morgan Waugh
Madelynn Almanzar
Presleigh DeVargas
Alexi Lyle
Samuel Lyle
Adalynn Thompson





NUTRITION KIDS

CAMP!

AGES 5-7



June 8 - 12, 2026
10 am - 1 pm



Santa Fe County Extension Office



\$30



Join us for an evidence-based health and nutrition education program where campers explore nutrition and fitness through fun fitness activities, outdoor activities, hands-on activities, and healthy eating.

This camp is ideal for curious learners ready to explore and learn about fitness and nutrition!



FUN FITNESS ACTIVITIES



OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES



HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES



HEALTHY EATING



MOVE. EXPLORE. LEARN. GROW HEALTHY!

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4-H Poster Workshop

13 | MAY | 2026

4:00 pm to 5:30 pm
Co-op Extension Office

Learn how to create Project Poster
for Fair

<https://forms.gle/ZPMWe7sKjEraS7zx9>

SMALL ANIMAL SCHOOL AND NORTHERN LIVESTOCK SCHOOL

Registrations for Small animal School and Northern Livestock School are open! Due May 8 for small animal and June 12 for livestock school. Links available on page 3 or scan the QR code. Hope to see you there!



SMALL ANIMAL SCHOOL

Saturday May 16 - 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Location: Bernalillo County Extension Office

Address: 1510 Menaul Blvd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107

Registration fee \$65 **87107** **Select your track for the school:**

- School Includes:**
- Educational Materials
 - Hands on Learning
 - Showmanship Practice
 - Snacks and Lunch
 - First Aid Kit and Supplies
 - Toy making supplies

Choose from: rabbit, poultry, or cloverbud

NEW! **New for this year: Beginner or intermediate level track selection**

BRING YOUR ANIMAL: RABBITS AND CHICKENS ARE WELCOME

Register Below using the link or QR code for the 2026 Small Animal School
<https://fs28.formsite.com/kalander/6kytr>



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Parents are encouraged to stay for the duration of the school

REGISTER NOW!

Space is limited!

Registration Deadline: May 8, 2026

Contact Brittany Johnson for more information at 505-867-2582



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Northern Livestock School JUNE 19 & 20, 2026

HOSTED AT THE: BI-COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS IN PREWITT, NM
TRACK SELECTIONS: LAMBS, MEAT GOATS, & SWINE

REGISTRATION CLOSES JUNE 12TH!
REGISTER ONLINE:

[HTTPS://FS28.FORMSITE.COM/KALANDER/MAS7SSTTPT/INDEX](https://fs28.formsite.com/kalander/mas7ssttpt/index)

REGISTRATION FEE: \$75.00

LUNCH PROVIDED ON SATURDAY FOR REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS (ADDITIONAL MEALS CAN BE ADDED SEE REGISTRATION LINK FOR DETAILS)

DRY CAMPING AVAILABLE

CHECK IN BEGINS: 10:00 A.M.
INSTRUCTION BEGINS: 1:00 P.M.



LIVESTOCK SCHOOL TOPICS:
SHOWMANSHIP
ANIMAL HUSBANDRY
LIVESTOCK FEED GUIDELINES
HOW TO FIT FOR SHOW



For more information contact Kathy Landers at 505-863-3432 or Sierra Cain at 505-565-3002

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**Registration
Coming Soon!**

NORTHERN 4-H DISTRICT CONTEST



JUNE 23-24, 2026

– GRANTS, NM –



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THE DATE

SANTA FE COUNTY FAIR

JULY 26TH - AUGUST 2ND

2026

