

Cooperative Extension Service
Sandoval County 4-H Newsletter

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Welcome to the 2025- 2026 4-H Year!!

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This newsletter contains important information about 4-H enrollment, projects, dates, deadlines and so much more!!

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4-H is a Positive Youth Development Organization delivered through the Cooperative Extension Agency in each state.

Cooperative Extension is part of the Land Grant University System, the land grant university in New Mexico is New Mexico State University

The NM State 4-H Mission:

The mission of the New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program, is to provide youth the opportunities to acquire leadership, citizenship, and life skills.

The NM State 4-H Vision:

To develop all New Mexico youth to become productive citizens and leaders for positive change.

The 4 H's:

Head - Developing critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills

Heart - Cultivating compassion, responsibility, and a commitment to community service.

Hands - Promoting the development of practical skills through hands-on projects

Health - Encouraging healthy lifestyles, social-emotional wellness, and healthy choices

4-H Motto:

I pledge my HEAD for clearer thinking,
My HEART to greater loyalty,
My HANDS to larger service,
And my HEALTH to better living, for
my club, my country, and my
world

4-H Enrollment

Enrollment Process:

Step 1: Join a 4-H club. If you're new and not yet connected with a club, contact Brittany or Madeline at the Extension Office.

Step 2: Visit 4h.zsuite.org. Log into your household account, or create one if you're a new family.

Step 3: Create profiles for each participating youth and any adults planning to volunteer.

Step 4: **Download the medical and liability release waiver from Zsuite. Complete the form, save it, and upload it to each youth and adult volunteer profile.**

Step 5: Select 3–4 projects for each youth for the 2025–2026 4-H year.

Step 6: Check your email for any follow-up requests from the Extension Office or Zsuite about missing information.

Step 7: Confirm that all household enrollments have been approved.

Enrollment Dates

Enrollment Opens:

October 1, 2025

Project Enrollment Deadline:

March 1, 2026

**email Brittany or Madeline
for help adding projects*

New Family Enrollment Deadline:

May 1, 2026

For Enrollment Assistance
please contact the office at

505-867-2582

OR Email:

Brittany Johnson -
brittmjo@nmsu.edu

Madeline Gurney -
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4-H Adult Volunteers

Adult volunteers are essential to the success of the 4-H program. They serve in a variety of roles, including club leaders, project leaders, activity coordinators, event planners, and more—providing vital support that helps youth thrive.

If you are interested in being a volunteer or would like more information please contact Brittany Johnson - brittmjo@nmsu.edu

Volunteer Zoom Meeting

All currently enrolled volunteers and those interested in volunteering are *strongly* encouraged to attend.

Tuesday, April 7th 6:30 PM

Zoom link and further details will be provided soon.



4-H Volunteer Roles

Would you like to be an Adult 4-H Volunteer but don't know what a volunteer does or what it means?

Below is a list of different 4-H volunteer roles and descriptions of what each role does.

Club/Organizational Leaders:

Assumes the primary responsibility for a 4-H club

Assistant Organizational Leaders:

Is responsible for identified activities and assumes the organizational leader's duties and responsibilities in their absence.

Project Leaders:

Leads a specific project or curriculum within a club or county wide

Activity Leaders:

Gives leadership to an event or activity within a club, may also provide leadership for a county wide event or activity

Special Interest Volunteer:

Provide leadership in a special area of interest or a short-term project or volunteers for a specific job.

School Enrichment Volunteer:

Teach or assist with teaching 4-H curriculum in the classroom during school hours

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March

Bernalillo Bandits

Aubrianna C.
Giana R.
Julie P.

Corralitos

Avery D.
Hailey Jo H.
Kaylee S.
Levi M.
Mackenzie B.
Mila E.
Sara C.

Cuba Coyotes

Hailey S.
Keith B.

Jemez Mountain Stallions

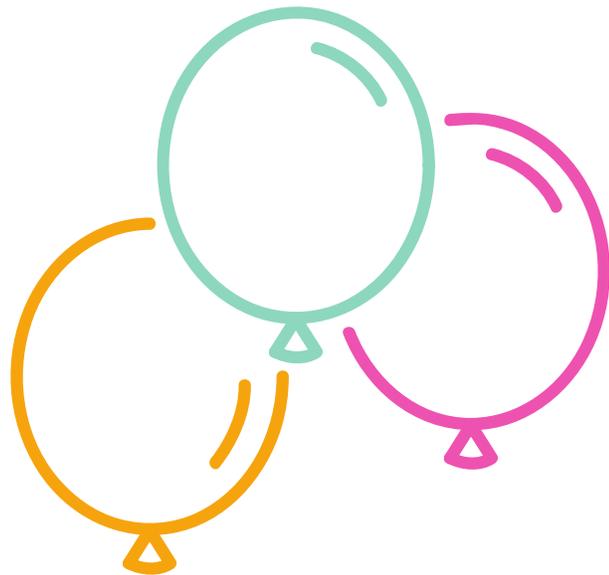
Aspen K.
Hunter O.

Placitas Bullsnares

Zane S.

Torreon Wolfpack

Keyonnah Y.
Valentin C.



CLUB HIGHLIGHT

JEMEZ MOUNTAIN STALLIONS



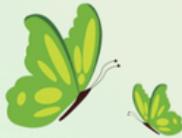
Club Activities

TRUNK OR TREAT
MAKING CHRISTMAS STOCKING
ATTENDED YGA



Club Officers

President- Gabryella G.
Vice President- Charly A.
Secretary- Adalina M.
Treasurer- Jasmine J.
Historian- Ariel J.
Reporter- Ivory J.
Song & Rec.- Noah M./ Abagail G.



Community Service

**VOLUNTEERED FOR THE GRAND
OPENING OF THE COMMUNITY
CENTER.**





CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

EACH MONTH ONE CLUB WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED

The club reporter or historian is requested to submit club information by the 20th of the month prior to their assigned month.

Information to include: Club projects, community service, highlight a 4-H family, highlight a 4-H member, highlight special events, submit one or two pictures.

Club Name	Highlight Month	Info. Due to Office
Jemez Red Rockers	April	Mar 20, 2026
Cuba Coyotes	May	Apr 20, 2026
Corrales Corralitos	June	May 20, 2026
Bernalillo Bandits	July	Jun 20, 2026

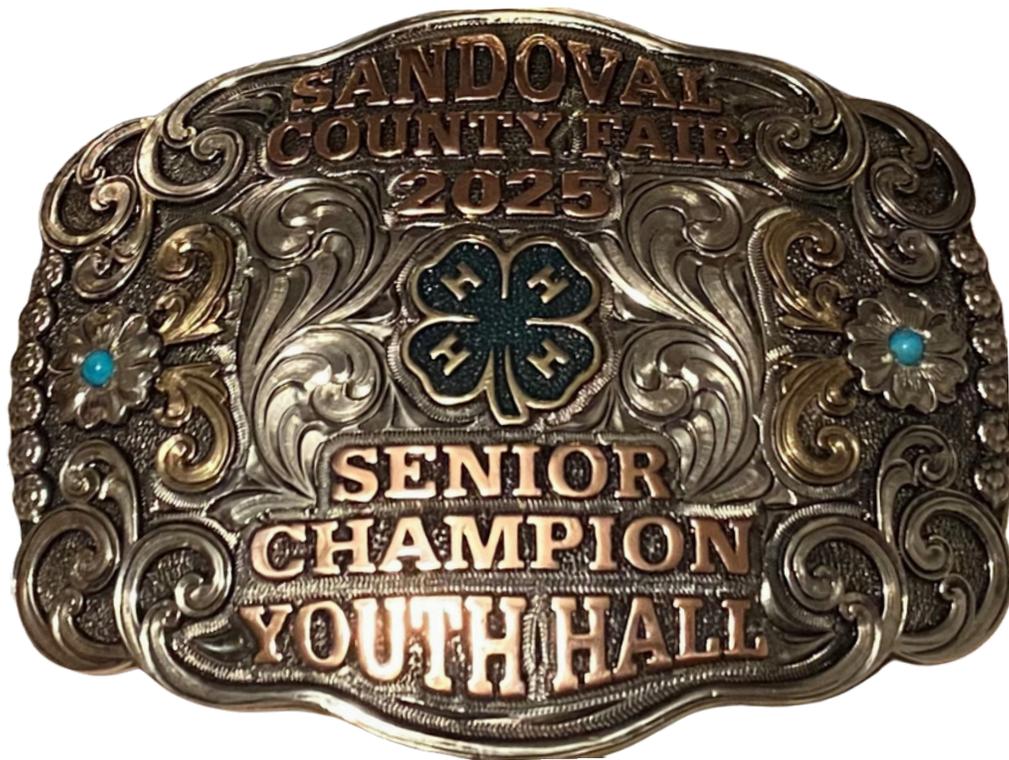
Wanted and Needed!

- Members and Volunteers to serve on County Council Fundraiser Committee. Contact Madeline by March 5, if interested.
- Members and Volunteers to serve on County Council Dance Committee for a Spring/Summer event. Contact Madeline by March 5, if interested.

THANK YOU TO 2026 YOUTH HALL

sponsors

JEMEZ HOMES AND LAND LLC



WE HAVE **5 COUNTY FAIR BUCKLES** LEFT THAT NEED TO BE SPONSORED BEFORE OUR NEXT COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING IN APRIL.

BUCKLE SPONSORSHIPS ARE \$180 EACH.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A BUCKLE, PLEASE SPEAK TO MADELINE GURNEY OR BRITTANY JOHNSON.

CHECKS CAN BE MADE PAYABLE TO: SANDOVAL COUNTY FAIRBOARD

SAVE THE DATES!!

**MORE INFORMATION
TO FOLLOW FOR EACH EVENT**

Archery County Contest: March 22, 2026

Youth Get Away: April 17-19, 2026

Small Animal School: May 16, 2026

Tagging Dates: Fri. May 29 & Sat. May 30

Northern Livestock School: June 19-20, 2026

District Contest: June 23-24, 2026

State Conference: July 14-17, 2026



Sandoval County 4-H

Council Meeting

Friday, March 27, 2026

5:30 - 7:00 pm

El Zocalo Event Center

Salazar Building Suite 2 - D

We need two voting delegates from each club so everyone has a voice.

4-H Contest Workshops

Come learn about the different 4-H contests!

Last Saturday of the Month

March 28, 2026

April 25, 2026

Workshops will be held at the Old Commissioners Chambers at 711 S. Camino del Pueblo, Bernalillo, NM, from 10am-12pm

**** Attending a workshop counts as qualifying participation needed to attend District & State Contest. ****

NORTHERN 4-H DISTRICT CONTEST



JUNE 23-24, 2026

— GRANTS, NM —

Shooting Sports: Archery



Archery Practice:

Sundays 2-3pm February 1-March 1

Tuesdays 6:30-7:30pm March 10 forward

County Contest: Sunday March 22

Novice and Junior - 1pm

Seniors - 2:30pm

**please arrive 15-30min. early to register and setup equipment*

All Archery practices and events will be held at the Corrales Public Works Yard behind the Corrales Post Office at 4101 Corrales Rd

Note:

Youth **MUST** attend at least **ONE** Archery Practice to be eligible to compete at the County Shoot

Youth **MUST** participate at the County Shoot to move on to District or State Shooting Sports Contests



For any questions about **OTHER** Shooting Sports Disciplines please contact **Brittany Johnson** - brittmjo@nmsu.edu

Livestock Projects

Livestock Ear Tagging - 2026

Tag-in Days:

Friday May 29 at Office 4-6pm

Saturday May 30 Fairgrounds 8am-11:30am

May 30 Steve Lucero's Barn 1pm-3:30pm

NEW Ear Tag Fee!

Starting this 4-H year each ear tag will cost
\$5*

**This is separate from the animal inspection fee*

4-H Horse and 4-H Rodeo

Rodeo Consent and Assumption of Risk Form

Due to the Extension Office by March 6, 2026

Must watch the three safety videos. Both parents and youth must initial the bottom of the second page of the risk form indicating they watched.

Link to Videos: <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/4h-rodeo.html>

Horse Certificates

DUE to the Extension Office by May 1, 2026

Download your Rodeo and Horse forms from our website:

<https://sandovalextension.nmsu.edu/4h/rodeo.html>

YOUTH GET AWAY 2026



THE GAME OF 4-H

Youth Get-Away is an overnight youth leadership development experience open to Novice (8-11) and Junior (12-13) aged youth. The State 4-H Leadership Team will be the hosts of Youth Get-Away 2026. Their goal is to help you succeed through personal and professional growth. There are exciting activities and workshops scheduled to provide you with opportunities to learn leadership skills, team building and community service. To see further information about the event, check out the 4-H website and Facebook page for updates. The State 4-H Leadership Team have been busy planning your retreat around the theme:

“The Game of 4-H”

Youth Get Away

When: Fri.- Sun. April 17 - 19

Where: Glorieta Adventure Camp, Glorieta, NM

Reg. Deadline: Form and payment due by March 9, 2026

Cost: \$180.00

Registration forms and information included in email sent on Feb. 6.

Sandoval County 4-H Clubs

Club	Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Meeting Location	Club leader	Contact Information (Text Only Please)
Bernalillo Bandits	2nd Monday each month	6:30pm	Martha Liebert Public Library	Megan Padget & Gabrielle	505-670-7918 or 505-288-2218
Corralitos	1 st Monday each month	6:30pm	Corrales senior meal site	Jessica Styer	corralitos4hclub@gmail.com
Cuba Coyotes	3 rd Monday each month	6:30pm	Sandoval County Fairgrounds	Anthony & Kathleen Duran	505-320-0989
Jemez Mountain Stallions	2 nd Thursday each month	5:30pm	Jemez Valley Middle School Cafeteria	Rosanna Garcia	505-379-7532
Jemez Red Rockers	3 rd Friday each month	4:30pm	San Ysidro Community Center	Aimee Tang	aimeetmtang@yahoo
Placitas Bullsnares 4-H Club	1 st Sunday each month	4:30pm	Placitas Library	Alison Yerkes	placitasbullsnakes@gmail.com
Torreon Wolfpack	2 nd Sunday each month	2:pm	Torreon Mission school	Lee Johnson	505-330-5881
Ponderosa Desert Wranglers	1 st Thursday each month	5:30pm	Ponderosa Community Center	Bethany Madrid	Ponderosa.desert.wranglers@gmail.com



NM State 4-H



Community Service Scholarships

Community Service Scholarship Criteria

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

For more information: <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/scholarships.html>

EVENT (Community Service Scholarship Application)	DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION (2 Months before the event registration deadline)
Horse School	March 15, 2026
Animal School	April 15, 2026
State 4-H Conference	April 15, 2026
Ambassador/Officer Position	April 1, 2026
4-H Shooting Sports Youth Leadership Summit	December 15, 2026



Reminders

Event	Deadline
Sandoval County YGA School Scholarship Application Due	March 1, 2026
County Council Fundraiser Committee and Dance Committee Volunteer Signup	March 5, 2026
YGA registration forms and payments due	March 9, 2026
Small Animal School Sandoval County Scholarship Application Due	April 1, 2026
Livestock School Sandoval County Scholarship Application Due	May 1, 2026
Northern District Contest Sandoval County Scholarship Application Due	May 1, 2026
State Conference Sandoval County Scholarship Application Due	June 1, 2026

**For more information about Sandoval County
Cooperative Extension contact the Sandoval
County Extension Office: Sandoval@nmsu.edu or
505-867-2582**

**For more information about 4-H contact one of
the 4-H Extension Agents:**

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