

Cooperative Extension Service
Sandoval County 4-H Newsletter

CLOVERLEAF

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

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

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4-H Agents

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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

**Returning Family
Enrollment Deadline:**
JANUARY 15, 2026

**Project Enrollment
Deadline:**
March 1, 2026

**New Family Enrollment
Deadline:**
May 1, 2026

For Enrollment Assistance
please contact the office at
505-867-2582

OR Email:
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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 Enrollment Process

Complete enrollment profile on Zsuite, including the medical and liability release waiver - Yearly requirement

Complete Background Check paper work and pay \$10 (make checks payable to Sandoval County Council) - Background checks are good for 5 years

Take "Working with Minors" training on Zsuite under Clover Academy - Yearly requirement



Shooting Sports Leaders Needed!

**Shooting Sports Leader
Certification Training**
February 20-22, 2026
Tentative location: T or C

**For more information or if
you are interested in
becoming a shooting sports
leader please contact
Brittany Johnson**

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



DECEMBER

Bernalillo Bandits

Eva F.

Erika P.

Ryder C.

Caleb T.

Serenity T.

Corrales Corralitos

Madeline A.

Sadie B.

Alexander G.

Dorothy H.

Adeline M.

Jemez Mountain Stallions

Gabryella G.

Jemez Red Rockers

Richard V.





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
Ponderosa Desert Wranglers	January	Dec 20, 2025
Placitas Bullsnares	February	Jan 20, 2026
Jemez Red Rockers	March	Feb 20, 2026
Jemez Mountain Stallions	April	Mar 20, 2026
Cuba Coyotes	May	Apr 20, 2026
Corrales Corralitos	June	May 20, 2026
Bernalillo Bandits	July	Jun 20, 2026

CLUB HIGHLIGHTS



TORREON WOLFPACK

**CLUB
Officers**

Stephen S. - President

Stormy D. - Vice President

Shawn E. - Secretary

Valentin C. - Treasurer

Rolandrea G. - Reporter



Club Activities

Sandoval County Fair Concession

Annual Sheep Shearing Class

County and State Fair Indoor Exhibits

County Fair Livestock Show

Participates in

State Leadership Conferences

FCS School and YGA



Community
SERVICE

Fair Ground Clean Up

Annual Trunk or Treat

Elder Gift Boxes

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

Animal Ear Tagging - 2026

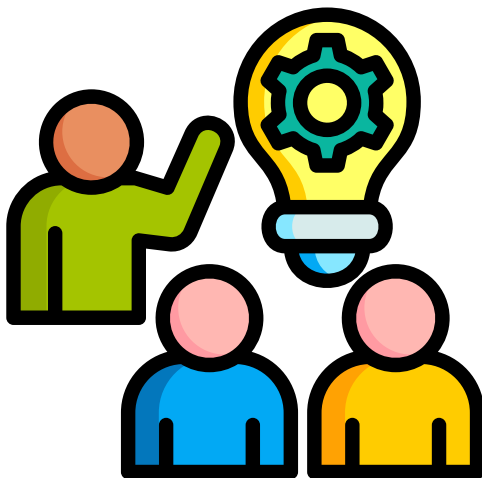
Tagging dates - TBD

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 Contest Workshops



Come learn about the different 4-H contests!

Last Saturday of the Month

January 31, 2026

February 28, 2026

March 28, 2026

April 25, 2026

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	5:30pm	Sandoval County Fairgrounds	Anthony & Kathleen Duran	505-320-0989
Jemez Mountain Stallions	2 nd Thursday each month	5:30pm	San Ysidro Village Offices	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)
FCS School	January 15, 2026
Youth Get-Away	February 2, 2026
Horse School	March 16, 2026
Animal School	April 15, 2026
State 4-H Conference	April 15, 2026
Ambassador/Officer Position	May 1, 2026



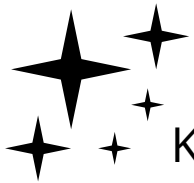
Event Calendar

Event	Date/Deadline
4-H Enrollment Opens	October 1, 2025
Enrollment Deadline - Returning Families	January 15, 2026
Senior Leadership Retreat in Las Cruces	January 23-25, 2026
Project/Contest/Fair Workshop 1	January 31, 2026
Sandoval County Council Meeting	February 6, 2026
Project/Contest/Fair Workshop 2	February 28, 2026
FCS School	March 13 - 15, 2026
Project/Contest/Fair Workshop 3	March 28, 2026



Give a Big Welcome to Katie!!

**Katie is our new Sandoval
County Extension
Administrative Assistant!**



Katie Rose returns to NMSU Cooperative Extension Service as the Admin Assistant for Sandoval County Extension. She previously worked as a SNAP-Ed Nutrition Educator for Bernalillo County CES after graduating from ENMU with her Bachelors in Family and Consumer Science. She comes to us with a fondness for Cooperative Extension dating back to her childhood where she dabbled in 4-H and fell in love with FACS in school. Her passions are nutrition and baking, crafting, and being active. She is excited to utilize her background in administrative office experience in supporting the Sandoval County Agents' outreach and efforts that are so close to her heart.

**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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