

SOUTH PLAINS - DISTRICT 2 4-H

DATE: January 7, 2019

MEMO TO: All South Plains District 2 County Extension Agents

SUBJECT: **2019 District 2 4-H Entomology Contest**

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4-H & Youth Development Entomology Identification Committee Chair

CONTEST DATE: Monday, April 29, 2019
CONTEST LOCATION: First Baptist Church (411 7th St) - Abernathy
CHECK IN: 9:30 a.m.
CONTEST BEGINS: 10:00 a.m.
4-H CONNECT
< Early Registration April 4 – April 18, 2019
< Late Registration Not Available
ENTRY FEE: \$12
CONTACT: Kerry Siders, (806) 894-3150



REMEMBER: Youth must decide between the Grass ID or the Entomology contest. *THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN BOTH CONTESTS DUE TO THE LOGISTICAL CHALLENGES.*

4-H Entomology Project and Identification Contest

- What group of organisms are the most numerous on Earth?
- What group of organisms are our greatest competitors for food and shelter?
- What group of organisms destroys or damages more of our world food supply than any other organisms?
- What group of organisms is found in virtually every environment on Earth?

Insects!!!

Understanding insects and recognizing key species is important because insects significantly affect crop production, livestock, human health, buildings, and our food. Insects are important in food webs and are critical organisms in the recycling of materials in the environment. Studying insects is well justified with all of the significant things that insects impact. Collecting and identifying insects is fun and exciting. Insects come in thousands of different colors, shapes and sizes. Insects have many different characteristics which make them different from other organisms. Learn about these unique organisms with the 4-H Entomology Project and Identification contest at Roundup.

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AGE REQUIREMENTS - Based on 2018-2019 4-H year age requirements effective as of 09/01/18.

- **Junior** – Grades 3, 4 & 5 (and minimum age of 8)
- **Intermediate** – Grades 6, 7 & 8
- **Senior** – Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12

If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact the county office or Andy Hart, (806) 746-6101 two weeks prior to the event.

*Medical release, waiver, indemnification and code of conduct forms must be completed on 4-H Connect. If forms are not completed on 4-H Connect the 4-H member is responsible to bring a completed copy of all forms to registration to be eligible to participate in the contest.

CONTEST RESOURCES

Texas A&M University Department of Entomology web site:

- <http://entomology.tamu.edu/extension/youth/4-h/4h-contest/>
- <http://www.texasinsects.org/insect-collecting.html>

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