

SOUTH PLAINS - DISTRICT 2 4-H

DATE: January 9, 2023

MEMO TO: All South Plains District 2 County Extension Agents

SUBJECT: **2023 District 2 4-H Record Book Judging**

FROM: Bailee Wright
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Lubbock County CEA-4H
Record Book Committee Chair

CONTEST DATE: Thursday, July 13, 2023
CONTEST LOCATION: Lubbock County Extension Office, 916 Main 1st floor
CONTEST BEGINS: 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 pm
4-H CONNECT OPENS:
➤ Early Registration June 26 - July 7, 2023
➤ Late Registration Not Available
ENTRY FEE: \$10
CONTACT: Ronda Alexander, (806) 775-1740



ALL ENTRIES MUST REGISTER THROUGH 4-H ONLINE by July 7, 2023.

RECORD BOOKS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 4:00 P.M. MONDAY, JULY 10.
YOU MAY BRING THEM TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE OR MAIL THEM.
NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!

ALL 4-H RECORD BOOKS (INCLUDING JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE) SUBMITTED MUST UTILIZE THE SENIOR 4-H RECORD BOOK FORMAT, AS FOUND ON THE STATE 4-H WEBSITE OR THE DISTRICT 2 4-H. RECORD BOOKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR JUDGING IN ANY OTHER FORMAT.

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THE AVAILABLE CATEGORIES FOR THE 2022-23 4-H YEAR; CATEGORIES MAY BE VIEWED ON THE STATE 4-H WEBSITE AT:

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/>

A \$10 entry fee per Record Book will be charged. This includes a \$1 per book contribution to 4-H EXCELL and also pays for the judges' meals, gifts, awards and 4-H Online fees.

- I. **AGE REQUIREMENTS** – based on 2022-23 4-H year effective as of 09/01/2022
 - **Junior** – 3rd – 5th grade (minimum age 8 in addition to being in 3rd grade)
 - **Intermediate** – 6th – 8th grade
 - **Senior** – 9th – 12th grade (maximum age 18 as of August 31, unless considered special education)

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II. SENIOR RECORD BOOKS:

- (1) Each record should contain the information as noted in the District 2 4-H Record Book Participant Guide:
All information must be printed and submitted in a hard copy format for actual judging. Please carefully read the instructions.
- (2) Please attach White (color coded for SR entries) Label with paper clip to outside of each book listing the Award Category, Age Category and County. Score cards will be color coded to coordinate with these labels and will be added during the committee workday.
- (3) 4-H members winning first place in the record book category at State may enter that same category again.

III. JUNIOR AND INTERMEDIATE RECORD BOOKS:

- (1) Each record should contain the information as noted in the District 2 4-H Record Book Participant Guide:
All information must be printed and submitted in a hard copy format for actual judging. Please carefully read the District 2 Participant Guide instructions.
RECORD BOOKS NOT SUBMITTED IN THE REQUIRED FORMAT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR JUDGING AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL.
- (2) Juniors and Intermediates must submit record books in designated categories as listed in the 2022-2023 District 2 4-H Record Book Participant Guide.
- (3) Please attach Yellow (color coded for Intermediate entries) or Pink (color coded for Junior entries) Label with paper clip to outside of each book listing the Award Category, Age Category and County. Score cards will also be color coded to coordinate with these labels and will be added during the committee workday.
- (4) Only first place record books from County may be submitted for District judging (1 per category from each age division).

IV. PHOTOCOPYING RECORD BOOKS:

4-H Record Books will not be copied at District or State levels for mass distribution to other 4-H members and leaders. The District Office may ask permission to copy books and use the information for educational or interpretation purposes. Each county is responsible for their own policy regarding photocopying 4-H Record Books at the local level.

- V. **REQUIRED FORMAT:** Only Record Books submitted in the Senior format (this includes Junior and Intermediate entries) will be considered for judging at District 4-H Record Book Judging.

VI. **RESULTS:**

PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE DISTRICT OFFICE ASKING FOR RESULTS on July 14th. Results will be sent via e-mail to counties after judging is completed!

VII. JUDGES:

ALL COUNTY AGENTS (EXCEPT IPM) ARE EXPECTED TO JUDGE and are requested to complete an application. Those who have prior commitments on this date, please contact the DEA.

Volunteers are always needed. Please have them complete the enclosed application to be considered as a judge. This application should give the committee a better idea of a prospective judge's qualifications.

Applications are due to Bailee Wright, Extension 4-H Youth Development Specialist, 1102 E. Drew St., Lubbock, TX 79403, **BY JUNE 16th**.

We require a minimum of 60 judges for Record Book Judging on July 13th. Please help us recruit qualified judges.

There will be a judges training offered for all new agents, agents who need a refresher course and any parent leaders who would like to attend. The training will be held in the classroom at the District Office on Friday, June 16 from 10 –12 pm; please RSVP to Ronda Alexander (rd-alexander@tamu.edu) by June 15, the number from your county that will be in attendance.

VIII. RESOURCES:

If you need any assistance with Record Book Training or resources, please contact Bailee Wright via email at bailee.wright@ag.tamu.edu or at (806) 746-6101; or refer to the District 2 4-H Website: <http://d24-H.tamu.edu> or the State 4-H Website at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/>.

For specific guidelines on developing a 4-H record book, please refer to the following documents for guidance: District 2 4-H Record Book Participant Guide.

2022-23 RECORD BOOK COMMITTEE:

Ronda Alexander, Chair
Felice Acker, Vice Chair
Julie Smith
Melode Watson
Ronda White

attachments: District 2 4-H Record Book Participant Guide