



Eddy County Green Scene



Eddy County Cooperative Extension Service • Eddy County 4-H • September 2026



Hello Eddy County 4-H!

Here's to one month down and some cooler temperatures in the near future! I am hoping that everyone has plans to attend the upcoming club meetings as we look forward to an amazing 4-H year.

We wanted to make sure that everyone who had an indoor exhibit knows that your quality of work did not go unnoticed! Great job. If, for some reason, you did not get your indoor project submitted please speak with your club leader.

4-H stories or Record Books are due in the office by November 1, 2026 as banquet will be on December 5, 2026, in Carlsbad (more information coming soon).

Another important note: I need everyone aware of is that membership deadline has been moved to December 1st this year due to time restraints on members and club leaders to get everything completed for members to stay in "good standing".

If you are planning to show at the Eastern NM State Fair please remember the exhibitor and parents must sign the "Release of Liability and Indemnity Agreement/Drug Certification Form" AND it must be notarized. It may be found on the webpage or by clicking this link:
https://www.enmsf.com/fairbook/2026_ReleaseOfLiabilityIndemnityAgreement8.27.pdf

Lastly, I wanted to let members know to keep an eye out for information on DRONES! We will be implementing drones into Eddy County 4-H this year with classes on the laws, coding, and flying with possibilities of going to drone competitions.

Sincerely,

Leslie Clark-Spearman



Eddy County 4-H Council

The officers did an outstanding job at the Eddy County Fair for awards this year. Pictured from left to right:

Anabelle Wells
Caylee Shockey
Joslyn Frintz
Jacee Smith, President
Joey Lopez
Morgan Fisher

Things to remember this month:

-If you want to enter any of your winning baked goods from county fair at the Eastern NM State Fair, please get with Vonda as you will have to make NEW and FRESH products to be sent.

-Start new enrollment forms (Due by September 30th if you are showing at Eastern Fair!) Otherwise, they are due by December 1st.

-Start thinking of what projects you may be interested in for this next year (if you are going to try to show steers this is every important to get a jumpstart)

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County Fun Cooking Corner:

- Just some fun recipes to try at home!
- If you have a fun recipe you and your family would like to share, please send it to leclark@nmsu.edu with a picture of YOU and see if it shows up in a future newsletter!

Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Cookies

Ingredients

- 2 bananas (very ripe)
- 1 cup oats (quick or old-fashioned)
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- ½ cup chocolate chips

Steps

- Wash your hands with soap and water.
- Preheat the oven to 350°F.
- In a medium bowl, mash the bananas with a fork until mostly smooth.
- Add oats, cinnamon, vanilla, and chocolate chips. Mix well.
- Drop spoonfuls of dough onto a lightly sprayed or oiled baking sheet. Flatten with the back of a spoon or bottom of a drinking glass.
- Bake 10–15 minutes. Remove from the oven and let cool before serving.

Tips:

- The texture of these cookies is best right after baking.
- Instead of chocolate chips, try dried cranberries or chopped nuts.



• **Fruit Sushi Roll**

Ingredients

- 1 tortilla
- 1–2 tablespoons nut butter (peanut butter, almond butter, cashew butter, etc.)
- 1 cup fruit (like bananas, apples, or strawberries), sliced

Steps

- Wash your hands with soap and water.
- Spread the nut butter onto the tortilla.
- Add any fruit combinations.
- Roll the tortillas.
- Slice into bite-sized pieces.

Tip:

- Try in-season fruit for a budget-friendly snack!



4-H MEMBERSHIP AGE DIVISIONS

4-H programming in New Mexico addresses the needs and interests of young people. Any boy or girl age 5 through 18 years of age, who enrolls in the 4-H Youth Development Program of the Cooperative Extension Service is a 4-H member. The 4-H program year is October 1 through September 30.

The following guidelines address specific age requirements for the 4-H program:

	CLOVERBUD	NOVICE	JUNIOR	SENIOR
GRADE	Kinder, 1st, 2nd	3rd, 4th, 5th	6th, 7th	8th and up
AGE (as of Jan 1st of current 4-H year which is Oct-Sept)	5, 6, 7 year olds; 8 year olds in the 2nd grade	8 year olds in the 3rd grade; 9 year olds; 10 year olds; 11 year olds in the 5th grade	11 year olds in the 6th grade; 12 year olds; 13 year olds in the 7th grade	13 year olds in the 8th grade; 14 year olds; 15 year olds; 16 year olds; 17 year olds; 18 year olds. **Youth who are 19 by December 31 of the current 4-H year are not eligible to enroll as a 4-H member.

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EDDY COUNTY 4-H MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING REQUIREMENTS

ALL REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET OR YOUTH WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN 4-H EVENTS OR FUNCTIONS!!!!

Members must participate in the following:

A demonstration

One 4-H community service project

Lead an activity – such as being a club officer, leading pledges, being in charge of recreation, etc. or other activities approved by the club's organizational leader.

Members must participate in at least **5 Club meetings** per 4-H Year.

Members must participate in at least **one 4-H Council meeting or activity** per 4-H Year.

Members must enter and complete at least one indoor exhibit at the Eddy County Fair

Members must complete and turn-in a **4-H Story or Competition Record Book**.

Members will be required to sign an annual acknowledgement of the Member in Good Standing requirements and turn in with their enrollment form.

A final record showing completion of member in good standing requirements will be due to the 4-H Agent by July 1 and they must have been signed by the main organizational leader(s). **Members participating in 4-H rodeos, shooting sports, and/or judging must show progress towards meeting the above requirements by April 1st in order to participate in any of these events. Members attending 4-H camps must show progress towards completing the above requirements by the registration deadline for that camp.**

The County Director and the Extension 4-H Agent have final jurisdiction on determining if a member has met the Member in Good Standings requirements.

The Eddy County 4-H Member in Good Standing requirements must be fulfilled to be eligible to exhibit at the Eddy County Fair (both livestock and non-livestock projects), to participate in 4-H judging, 4-H rodeos, shooting sports, camps, and other 4-H related activities.



September Events

September 11-18: EXPO New Mexico (New Mexico State Fair) Albuquerque, NM

September 30: **Enrollment forms due in the office if you are showing at Eastern Fair.**

October Events:

New 4-H year...4H club meetings start.

October 4-10: Eastern NM State Fair, Roswell, NM.

October 12: Eddy County 4-H Council meeting at 6:00 pm in Carlsbad

November Events:

November 9: Eddy County 4-H Council meeting at 6:00 pm in Artesia at the Eddy County Community Center

November 13-15: Adult Volunteer Leader's Retreat, Las Cruces

December Events:

December 1: **4-H Member Enrollment Deadline** **NEW!**

December 5: 4-H Awards Ceremony Banquet, Carlsbad

January Events

Jan. 12: Eddy County 4-H Council meeting at 6 pm in Artesia at the Eddy County Community Center

Jan. ? Senior Leadership Retreat, Seniors Only and Parliamentary Procedure Contest

Marth Events

FCS school

April Events

Youth Get-away

May Events

Shooting sports championship

June Events:

Horse School

Regional Livestock School

Ranch Camp

National 4-H Shooting



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EDDY COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

Club Name	Meeting Date	Time	Location
Artesia 4-H	2 nd Sunday	3:00pm	Artesia Shooting Range
Cottonwood 4-H/ Cloverbuds	1 st Monday (2 nd Monday in October)	5:30 pm	Eddy County Community Center; Artesia
Brushpoppers	1 st Monday	6:00 pm	Extension Office
Kountry Klovers	1 st Tuesday	6:15 pm	Extension Office
Loving 4-H	2 nd Tuesday	6:30 pm	Loving Elementary Cafeteria
Zia Sharpshooters/ Clover Bud Crew	2 nd Thursday	6:00 pm	ATC Shooting Range
Mountain Dudes 4-H	2 nd Saturday	10:00 am	Dunken Fire Station
YHEC 4-H	Sundays starting in March	1 pm	Carlsbad Shooting Range

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4-H Deadlines, Reminders &
Events

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number 81010.

Shooting Sports Remind text
@ziash to 81010.

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