

## **D6 4-H SPRING SHOOTING SPORTS COACHES TRAINING**

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The D6 4-H Youth Development Program is pleased to announce an opportunity for county 4-H programs to have adult volunteers, teen leaders and County Extension Agents certified as coaches in the following shooting sports disciplines: archery, pistol, rifle or shotgun. The training and certification will be conducted on March 4-5 at the District 6 Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Center in Fort Stockton, Texas. A map is attached. The training will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> and conclude the following day by noon.

Registration will open on Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> and close on Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at midnight via 4-H Connect, <u>https://texas.4honline.com/</u>. **ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A CURRENT AND APPROVED 4-H CONNECT PROFILE TO REGISTER.** Registration is non-refundable. If necessary, we may only transfer a registration over for the same person to the 2017 D6 4-H Fall Shooting Sports Coaches Training set for October 21-22 in Fort Stockton. This must be approved by Charlene Belew to be valid.

Please see this information is shared with any potential coaches to ensure everyone is informed.

Listed below are the categories individuals can register for. An individual may only register for one discipline.

- COACH if the individual will lead the program, or have direct supervision of youth they should register for this category. A coach must be 21 or older. Cost is \$120 which includes two meals and resources. The participant must register on 4-H Connect and be a screened volunteer.
- 2. ASSISTANT COACH if the individual is between the ages of 14-20 they can assist a certified coach. Cost is \$120 which includes two meals and resources. The participant must register on 4-H Connect and either be a screened volunteer or current 4-H member. If under 18 years of age, the individual must be accompanied to the training by a certified coach or adult participating in the training. An assistant coach can be upgraded to a full 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Certification with no additional training once an assistant has reached 21 years of age and is an approved volunteer leader via 4-H Connect.
- 3. CERTIFIED COACH coaches who are already certified and attending as a chaperone to accompany an assistant coach. Two meals will be provided. **Registration on 4-H Connect is required, but no fee will be accessed.**
- 4. EXTENSION PERSONNEL All County Extension Agents are welcome to attend as a professional development opportunity and become certified in a selected discipline. Resources and two meals will be provided. **Registration on 4-H Connect is required, but no fee will be accessed.**

If you have questions, please let me know. Additional details, waiver and a final agenda will be sent to those who register. This training will be open for registration statewide, with a maximum of 20 participants per discipline. Registration will be on a first come, first served basis. LATE REGISTRATIONS <u>WILL NOT</u> BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE OF FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>; NO EXCEPTIONS! Lodging is on your own. A multitude of hotel options are available in Fort Stockton. Visit the Fort Stockton Visitor Center website under the LODGING tab for information, <u>http://historicfortstocktontx.com/attractions-2/fort-stockton-visitor-center/</u>.

#### **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> Breakfast on your own 8:30-9:00 a.m. – Participant Check In 9:00 a.m. – Welcome and Orientation 9:30 a.m. – Discipline Training 12:00 p.m. – Catered Meal 1:00 p.m. – Discipline Training 6:30 p.m. – Catered Meal & Green Injection (an orientation to the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program) 7:30 p.m. – Discipline Training (optional; decision of instructor)

# Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

Breakfast on your own 8:30 a.m. – Discipline Training, Testing and Evaluation 12:00 p.m. – Depart for Home

### WHAT TO BRING TO THE TRAINING

- writing materials and extra paper for notes
- highlighters if you use them for stressed points
- EYE PROTECTION (shooting glasses or goggles) recommended for archery and mandatory for all other offered disciplines
- EAR PROTECTION (plugs preferably or muffs) mandatory for all offered disciplines except for archery
- comfortable clothing, including close-toed shoes and a jacket (layer)
- folding chair recommended
- snacks and drinks if you have a preference (a minimum assortment will be provided)
- an open, positive mind ready to learn and share
- equipment will be supplied for the rifle and pistol disciplines

### **Shotgun Discipline:**

- 20 or 12 gauge shotgun, any action type
- Skeet and modified chokes
- Ammunition pouch or vest
- Ammunition to fit the shotgun; minimum of 4 boxes target load only (# 8 shot, 1150 or 1200 velocity, 1 oz. or 1 1/8 oz.)

### **Archery Discipline:**

- Recurve or compound bow of any type
- Arrows to fit the bow; 6 or more
- Whistle

Contact my office if you have any questions.

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