

2023 Regional Overview - 4-H Youth Development



TEXAS A&M
AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION

SOUTH REGION



121,044

youth participated
in 4-H clubs, projects and
special interest programs



4-H Youth Development

For over a century, AgriLife Extension has conducted youth development programs, including Texas 4-H, working in partnership with schools and youth organizations as well as with thousands of volunteers. Today, we offer hands-on learning experiences that help young people develop leadership, responsibility, and a spirit of service. Our goal is to ensure the health and well-being of our young people and to encourage them to be the leaders and motivators of tomorrow.

4-H Program Participation

South Region	District 10	District 12	Regional Total
Current 4-H Enrollment <i>*as of 1-15-24</i>	5,761	3,482	9,243

District	Club Enrollment	Group Enrollment	Volunteers Adult & Youth	Scholarships	Scholarship Amounts
District 10	9,778	56,614	5,035	29	\$398,000
District 12	4,141	50,511	2,992	12	\$162,000
Totals	13,919	107,125	8,027	41	\$560,000

National 4-H Contest Results

3 Champion Teams; 2 Reserve Champion Teams; 3rd Place Team & 4th Place Team

TOP 5 PROJECTS

- #1 - Food & Nutrition
- #2 - Beef Cattle
- #3 - Rabbits
- #4 - Shooting Sports
- #5 - Swine

"4-H shaped my leadership skills, honed my work ethic, and instilled in me a grit & determination I carry with me today."

-Former 4-H Scholar
Kendall County



2023 Regional Overview - 4-H Youth Development



TEXAS A&M
AGRILIFE
EXTENSION

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



TOP 5 SPECIAL INTEREST / CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

#1 - JMG/LGEG

#2 - Hatching in the Classroom

#3 - Science of Agriculture

#4 - Afterschool 4-H

#5 - Wildlife Wonders

YOUTH PROGRAMMING BY THE NUMBERS

249,059 Contacts

283,596 Educational Hours

TIME PERIOD OF 1.1.23 - 8.31.23



Youth Gardens

- 19,992 Youth Participants
- 15 Counties Involved

County Agents working with Master Gardener volunteers and community partners have delivered educational programs utilizing Jr. Master Gardener, Learn Grow Eat Go! and Early Childhood Learn Grown Eat Go! through school and community gardens.

Hatching in the Classroom

- 9,557 Youth Participants
- 17 Counties Involved

Hatching In The Classroom/Egg to Chick programs allow youth a chance to not only learn about life cycles and growth, but also how poultry and agriculture affect our daily lives.

Path to the Plate Education

- 7,052 Youth Participants
- 22 Counties Involved

Science of Ag programs teach youth about the role agriculture plays in the world. Through their participation in these programs, youth become better educated voters and consumers. Total **Ag Literacy** (PTTP + HITC) programs reached **16,609 youth** totaling **33,630 educational hours**.

Career Exploration

The transition from high school into college or the workforce is a key turning point in the lives of young people. Exposure to career opportunities is important to their success. **YALL** and **CORE Academy** focus on exposing youth to postsecondary opportunities and careers most have not considered. In 2023, **57 youth** from across the state participated. 93% indicated their college/career plans were influenced by the information they learned during YALL and CORE.

Jason Ott

Regional Program Leader, ANR
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
830-988-6170 | jason.ott@ag.tamu.edu

Jana Osbourn

Regional Program Leader, FCH / 4-H
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
830-988-6150 | jana.osbourn@ag.tamu.edu