

# Yoakum County 4-H Newsletter

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## From Agent's Desk

As we move into a new year, January has been an exciting and rewarding month for our Yoakum County Extension and 4-H programs. The Annual Yoakum County Stock Show showcased the hard work, dedication, and determination of our youth, families, and volunteers, and we are incredibly proud of all who participated. Alongside youth livestock activities, we continued supporting local producers through educational opportunities and outreach efforts, including conferences and consultations aimed at strengthening agriculture in our county. Thank you to our families, volunteers, sponsors, and community partners for your continued support — your involvement plays a vital role in the success of our programs and the growth of our youth.

## Upcoming Events:

- February 5: Sandyland Conferance
- February 6-16: San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo
- February 16: Office Closed Presidents' Day
- February 16-21: San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo

Happy Birthday!

Garrett James,

Kelsi Moore - 1/9

**STAY CONNECTED  
WITH YOAKUM  
COUNTY 4-H!**



IMPORTANT UPDATES, REMINDERS, DEADLINES, AND EVENT INFORMATION ARE SHARED THROUGH GROUPME AND OUR YOAKUM COUNTY 4-H FACEBOOK PAGE. THESE PLATFORMS ARE OUR PRIMARY WAYS TO COMMUNICATE TIME-SENSITIVE INFO. AND LAST-MINUTE CHANGES.



# Yoakum County Stock Show



## Livestock Achievement Spotlight

Yoakum County 4-H member Kwade Cleveland had an outstanding showing at the Annual Yoakum County Stock Show, earning Reserve Grand Champion Goat, Senior Goat Showmanship, and capturing first place Goat, a testament to his hard work, dedication, and commitment to excellence. Fellow 4-H member Asher

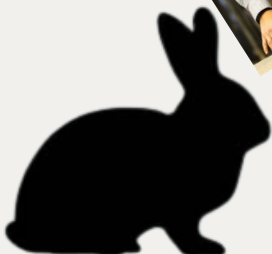
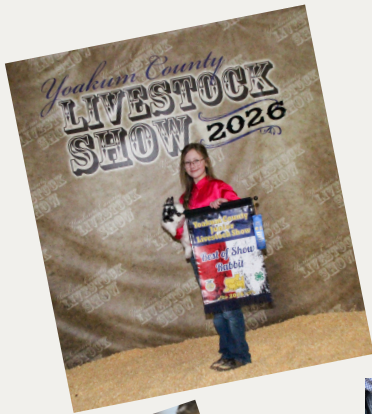
Klassen also delivered an impressive performance, earning first place Goat in his class. These accomplishments reflect countless hours of preparation and the strong support of families, volunteers, and mentors who help guide our youth.

Congratulations to Kwade and Asher on their well-deserved success; we are proud of you.



## Rabbit Project Highlights

Yoakum County 4-H members showcased their hard work and dedication during the Annual Yoakum County Stock Show Rabbit Show, with Alex Klassen earning Best in Show Rabbit, an outstanding accomplishment reflecting excellent animal care and showmanship. Additional participants included Kwade Cleveland, Dustin Cleveland, Brecklyn O’Gorman, Kazlyn Cleveland, Alex Klassen, and Eli Klassen, each demonstrating responsibility, commitment, and pride in their projects. We commend all of our exhibitors for representing Yoakum County 4-H with professionalism and enthusiasm, and we appreciate the continued support of families and volunteers who help make these successes possible.



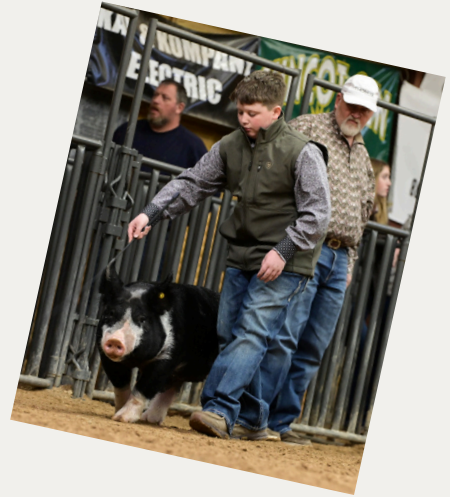
# Lamb Project Highlights

Yoakum County 4-H members demonstrated excellence in the lamb division at the Annual Yoakum County Stock Show, showcasing dedication and strong project management throughout the year. Kwade Cleveland led the division with an impressive showing, earning Reserve Grand Champion Lamb, Senior Lamb Showmanship, Breed Champion Dorper, Breed Champion Finewool Cross, first and second place Dorper, and first place Medium Wool. Brecklyn O’Gorman achieved Breed Champion Fine Wool and second place Medium Wool, while Dustin Cleveland received Breed Champion Dorper honors and additional Breed Champion honors. Kazlyn Cleveland placed third in the Dorper division. In the Southdown classes, Judge Thomason earned second place and was recognized with Novice Lamb Showmanship, and Emma Hagee placed third. Additional success in the Medium Wool division included third-place finishes by Alex Klassen and Emma Hagee. These accomplishments reflect the hard work of the exhibitors and the continued support of families, volunteers, and the Yoakum County Extension Office.



## Gilt Show Highlights

Yoakum County 4-H members represented the gilt division with pride at the Annual Yoakum County Stock Show. Participants Zach Marion and Judge Thomason demonstrated hard work, responsibility, and dedication throughout their preparations and on show day. Judge Thomason earned Novice Gilt Showmanship and placed third in the Gilt division, while Zach Marion received Reserve Breed Champion Berkshire and second place Duroc. Their commitment to animal care and showmanship reflects the values of the 4-H program and the strong support provided by families and volunteers. We commend both exhibitors for their efforts and for representing Yoakum County 4-H with professionalism.





## **Best of Luck at the Major Stock Shows**

Best of luck to all of our Yoakum County 4-H members who will be representing our county at the upcoming major stock shows. Your dedication, long hours of preparation, and commitment to excellence do not go unnoticed. As you compete, remember to enjoy the experience, support one another, and take pride in how far you've come. We are proud of each of you and wish you safe travels and much success in the show ring!

### **San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo**

Kwade Cleveland  
Dustin Cleveland  
Brecklyn O'Gorman  
Zach Marion

### **Rodeo Austin**

Emma Hagee

### **San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo**

Kwade Cleveland  
Kazlyn Cleveland  
Brecklyn O'Gorman  
Emma Hagee

### **Houston Rodeo**

Kwade Cleveland  
Brecklyn O'Gorman

