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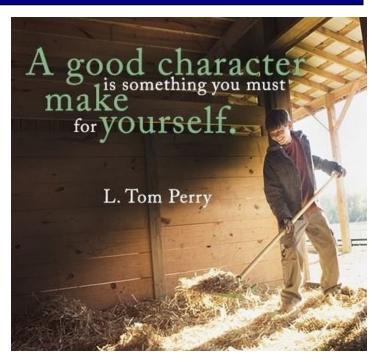
## Newsletter

July, 2018

















Hayden Cape has been awarded the WTAMU Dept of Ag Science College of Ag Science – Dr Johnny and Jana Trotter College Success Award. This is

a non traditional type of scholarship in that money is only made available upon the successful gradution from West Texas A&M at which time a one time amount of \$40,000 is awarded.

Congratulations to Hayden for being named the first recipient of this award.



#### June 14-16, 2018 Plainview, TX

Katy – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Shorthorn Steer Katy – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Red Cross Steer Devin – Champion Maine Katy – Reserve Limousin Heifer (Pictures unavailable)

## GOLDEN SPREAD CLASSIC STEER AND HEIFER SHOW

June 21-23, 2018 Levelland, TX







Champion Hereford Hereford; Champion Polled Hereford Heifer; Champion Maine Anjou Heifer



Slade – Reserve Champion Jr Showmanship Reserve Champion Heifer Reserve Disvions Champion Heifer Sayler – Reserve Division Champion (Pictures unavailable)





Coming in July
Texas FFA State
Convention
Ft Worth

We are excited to announce that Liz Murray will be the keynote speaker during the opening session of the Texas FFA Convention this summer!







Bryttn Nutt has earned and will receive the State Lone Star FFA Degree at the Convention on Wednesday night.



We will go to Six

Flags during the trip to the State Convention.



The Texas FFA Association is excited to collect supplies for the City of Fort Worth, the host city of 2018 Texas FFA State Convention. Chapters are encouraged to bring donations to the event on July 10-11.

## 2018 JUNIOR FED BEEF CAREER & LEADERSHIP PROGRAM







Spencer Yaste will be participating in the TCFA, in conjunction with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and West Texas A&M University, will host the 2018 Junior Fed Beef Career and Leadership Program. The program is open to any incoming high school juniors or seniors who have an interest in pursuing a career in the fed beef industry. Participants will receive hands-on instruction about feedyard operations, as well as career opportunities in the fed beef industry. Students will participate in operation problem solving and leadership activities. Activities will include tours of commercial cattle feeding operations, a tour of a beef processing facility, the opportunity to learn the anatomy of a beef carcass and fabricate a beef half, and participate in a consumer beef taste panel. Students will also spend a day learning day-to-day operations of a feedyard and have the opportunity to participate in a job shadow program at a local feedyard following the conclusion of the program.

Tuesday, June 26 • Arrive at WTAMU by 5 p.m. • Dinner • Communications/Media Training • Market Introduction • Campus Tour

Wednesday, June 27 • Feedyard Tour • Etiquette Training/WTAMU • Lunch • Communications/Media Training • Meat Counter Tour • Dinner & Entertainment

Thursday, June 28 • Nance Ranch Tour • Mini Sessions/Nance Ranch • Lunch • Cloning Lab Tour • Packing Plant Tour • Dinner at TCFA Friday, June 29 • Carcass Anatomy and Fabrication/WTAMU • Beef Palatability 101 • Lunch • Wrap Up/Certificate Presentation





Agricultural Experience Tracker Continue to update *Recordbooks throughout the summer.* 





### **Upcoming Dates**

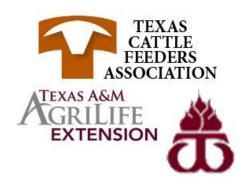


**Test Date** July 14, 2018 Registration Deadline

## NOT AVAILABLE

The drought took a

toll on all prospects of wheat and straw and we will not be putting straw up for the winter.



TCFA Cattle Handling, Pharmaceuticals, and Skills Certifications

Interested Juniors or Seniors wanting to participate in the Machinery, FeedMill, and skills certifications need to contact the ag office as soon as possible.



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SAE Plans need to updated, New plans opened, and old enterprises closed out. Journals need to be updated as well.



We continue to use the remind system to communicate through text messaging of things coming up and deadlines. All members AND parents are encouraged to subscribe to this service. Text

@9b748 to 81010



# Opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.





As part of the requirements to acquire the Texas State FFA Degree also known as the Lone Star Degree which is the highest degree that can be earned on the state level requires a minimum of 25 hours of community service. There will be several opportunities to earn hours to satisfy that requirement





## 2018 Aggie Youth Commercial Steer Camp

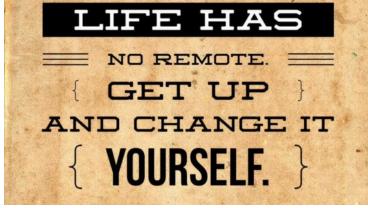
The 2018 Aggie Commercial Steer Camp is quickly approaching. Make plans to join us in College Station on July 23-24, 2018. This camp is open to all students, parents, extension agents and agricultural science teachers who are wanting to learn more about the commercial steer project.

Participants will learn more about nutrition, quality and yield grading, record keeping, interview skills and giving speeches.
Representatives from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, San Antonio Livestock Exposition and Texas Cattle Feeders Association will be on site to answer any questions about their contests.

The camp is \$175 for students and \$100 for parents, agricultural science teachers and extension agents.

The Hotel block is Hotel Block Hampton Inn, 320 S. Texas Ave., College Station, TX 77840

979-846-0184 \$99 Group Code: CSC
Reservations must be made **no later than July 8. 2018** to secure the group rate



If you weren't happy with the results you got last year and you did the same things this year, I bet the results you saw were about the same and I'll bet if you do it again this coming year those are the results you will see again.

New Quality Counts System being rolled out. All exhibitors regardless of having previously taken

the Quality Counts Course will have to take the new 2 hr



course and pass the exam in order to enter major shows. There will be three categories depending on age: junior, intermediate, and senior. As an exhibitor matures, he/she will have to recertify each time. It will either start this spring or next fall.

January 4-5 are the dates for the Lamb County Livestock Show.









Construction on Texas Tech vet school could start in 2019

The proposed veterinary school would be housed near the Texas Tech University Health Science Center campus in Amarillo.

The veterinary school would be structured similar to a school in Alberta, Canada.

The program will not have an on-campus hospital where the veterinary students will train. Instead, the school will have a network of practices and other sites, like dairies and feedlots, that allows the students to earn their clinical experience.

There will also be a second site where clinical skills training for larger animals will be conducted. It's about two miles from the current campus.

Target enrollment is 60 students per year.

If all goes according to plan, the first cohort of students would enroll in the fall of 2021.

Instead of competing with the current veterinary school at Texas A&M University in College Station, the planned Texas Tech veterinary school will complement its curriculum to cut down on the number of veterinary shortage areas in Texas and surrounding states.