

District IV 4-H Entomology Contest

Subject: 2023-2024 District IV 4-H Entomology Contest

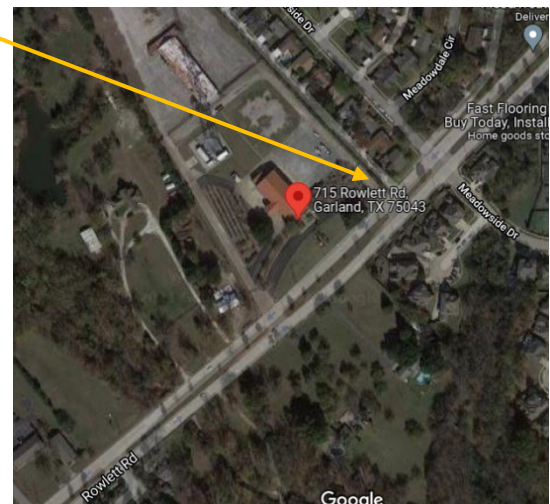
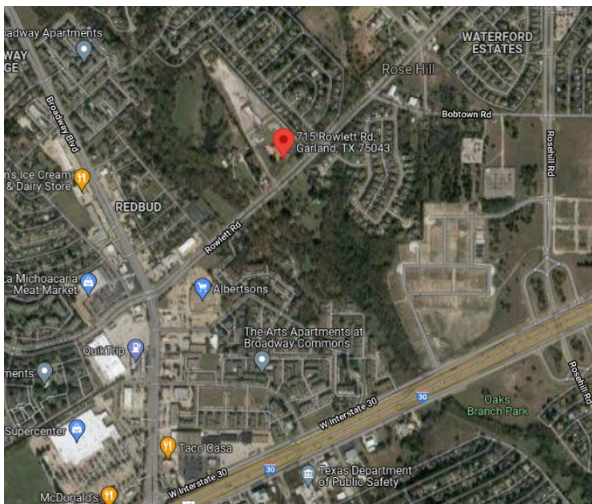
Contests: **Individual Only**

This contest provides an opportunity for 4-H members to explore the exciting world of insects and helps them become familiar with common insects in their area. It introduces members to the concept of classification and grouping objects or living organisms according to the physical characteristics they share. The additional bonus is that while learning the name of each insect, 4-H members gain an understanding of its biology and behavior.

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2024

Time: Registration: 8:30 a.m.
Contest: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Dallas County District 1 Road & Bridge Office, 715 Rowlett Rd, Garland, TX
Enter through the East Gate, main entrance to building. See below for further directions.



Registration. Each participating member is required to register on 4-H Online and pay the district \$12.00 contest registration fee. Registration will begin on February 7, 2024 and close at midnight February 21, 2024. No late entries will be accepted.

Participation. Contestants must be active 4-H members enrolled in a Texas 4-H and Youth Development county program in District IV. Contestants must also be academically eligible (according to UIL rules) to compete on the day of the contest.

Age. Age divisions are determined by a participant's grade as of September 1st of the current 4-H year. Age divisions for this contest are:

- Junior (3rd, 4th, & 5th grades)
- Intermediate (6th, 7th, & 8th grades)
- Senior (9th, 10th, 11th, & 12th grades)

Awards/Placings. 1st through 5th place individual awards in each age division.

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Contest Format: 4-H members will identify selected insects and complete a written examination on insects. Each part is worth 50% of the total score.

Identification

Actual insect specimens or photographs will be used in the Identification portion of the contest. The identification portion will require a **common name** as well as the insect **Order**.

Written Exam

The written exam may include question formats such as true/false, matching or completion questions, short answer, or fill-in-the-blank.

	Written Exam	Identification of Insects
Junior	10 questions	10 insects
Intermediate	25 questions	15 insects
Senior	50 questions	25 insects

Tie-Breakers. Five specimens or photographs will be selected as tie breakers in advance of the contest. If ties still remain, winners will be determined by a method designated by the contest officials.

Participants with Disabilities. If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Denita Young at 972-952-9252 or djyoung@ag.tamu.edu at least 2 weeks prior to the program or note such needs when registering on 4-H Online.