

Entry Deadline July 1, 2026

ATTENTION 4-H YOUTH MEMBERS

RANCH & RURAL LIVING 2026 Photo Contest

Prints or Digital Photos

Prints should be 8"x10" size. They may be color or black and white prints made on photo paper (please avoid inkjet printed photos—submit those digitally instead).

Digital photos should be high quality JPEG format at least 2,400 pixels wide or tall—the long dimension should be at least 2,400 pixels. Preferably, digital files should be full resolution, as they came from your digital camera.

Entry Fee: None (1 photo per 4-H youth per year).

Limit: 1 free entry per 4-H Youth. Additional entries would need to be paid entries under regular rules.

Note: All photos will be judged by a professional photographer and Ranch & Rural Living staff members and guest judges, with winning photos decided on a cumulative point basis. Judges will not know the names of the photographers or where they are from until after judging is concluded.

Rules and Entry Blank Available on our website:

www.ranchmagazine.com

Enter online and pay there also!

OR CALL
(325) 655-4434

Free Entry — One Photo Per 4-H Youth

Subject Matter

Photo subject matter is wide open and up to the participant. Please avoid disturbing or controversial subjects. Photos will be judged on skill, creativity, composition and artistic merit or photo journalistic value.

Entering

When entering the photographer should make sure to provide his or her name, age, town of residence and other contact information. Also please provide the contact information for the 4-H club you belong to and your 4-H leader. Enter online, by mail or in person at our office at 17 S. Chadbourne, Ste 307, San Angelo, TX 76903.

Prize

A \$50 prize will be awarded to the 4-H club represented by the 4-H youth member entering the overall winning photograph for the 4-H division of the contest.

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CONTEST RULES

1. For the 4-H division of the annual Ranch & Rural Living Photo Contest we will accept 1 photo entry per 4-H youth member. There is no fee to enter for youth members. If the participant wishes to enter additional photos he or she must enter the additional photo(s) in the regular portion of the contest.
2. PRINTS in color or black and white must be 8"x10". DIGITAL PHOTOS must be equal to or greater than 2,400 pixels on the long side, THE LARGER THE BETTER. DO NOT MOUNT PRINTS. Just mail us your prints. Be sure to package carefully so photos will not be damaged in the mail. Digitals should be submitted on CD or uploaded via our website ordering system at ranchmagazine.com or they may be emailed to us at info@ranchmagazine.com with an attached photo of a completed entry blank (below).
3. As with our other entries, 4-H member entries will be judged by magazine staff and a non-staff professional photographer as well as one or more guest judges. Judging will be based on skill, creativity, composition and artistic merit or photo journalistic value. Entries will be displayed to the judges without he/she knowing who entered what photo. Pictures and entry forms will be numbered upon receipt. The contest judges will not know who the winners are until the numbers are matched with entry forms after judging. Decision of the judges is final. Photographs will be scored by points and the 4-H entry with the most points will win that division of the contest. The 4-H entries will be judged separately from the others.

4. Submission of your photographs as a contestant grants Ranch & Rural Living Magazine rights to unlimited use of your photos in articles and advertisements on its two magazines and on its websites ranchmagazine.com and sheepandgoat.net as well as on the Facebook, Instagram and Twitter and other social media outlet pages for Ranch & Rural Living. Any person requesting external use of the photos for parties other than Ranch & Rural Living, Sheep & Goat magazine and websites will be referred to the photographer.
5. Please include **one entry blank with each photo submitted** (or order online and fill out same info). Photos must be original works by the photographer listed on the entry form. Note: Please notice on the entry blank a space is provided to include the title of the photo or a short descriptive phrase (or you may use a number or filename) so we can match photos with entry blanks.
6. DEADLINE: -July 1, 2026.
7. All reasonable care will be taken in handling entries. Ranch & Rural Living Magazine cannot be held responsible for damage to or loss of photographs. Submission of entry constitutes entrant's consent to and agreement with these rules. Prints will be returned if entrant furnishes SASE.
8. All pictures will be judged anonymously. Winners and non-winners alike will be notified of the outcome of the contest if an email address is supplied on the entry form, SO PLEASE ENTER YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS. Good luck and thank you for participating!

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Please fill out and attach **this to your photo**, or include one form along with your CD or thumb drive in the case of digital photos submitted on CD-ROM or USB thumb drive. If emailing your entry to us, please attach a photo of the completely filled out form along with your attached photo.

NAME _____	4-H LEADER'S NAME _____
ADDRESS _____	CONTACT EMAIL _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____	CONTACT PHONE _____
PHONE _____ AGE _____	4-H CLUB OR COUNTY _____
EMAIL _____	ADDRESS _____
<small>FOR NOTIFICATION OF CONTEST RESULTS — PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY</small>	
PARENT SIGNATURE _____	CITY, STATE, ZIP _____
<small>SIGNING SIGNIFIES PERMISSION FROM PARENT FOR YOUTH TO ENTER PHOTO</small>	

IMPORTANT! Photo Title, Description or ID Number/Filename:
(Matches this form to the entry photo)

Attach this form to your photo print. Or include with your CD, DVD or thumb drive for digitals.

Send to: Photo Contest • Ranch & Rural Living • P.O. Box 2678 • San Angelo, TX 76902

Additional Entry Blanks

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