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TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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MEMORANDUM

TO: 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Candidates

FROM: Megan R. Shaffer
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4-H Youth Development

SUBJECT: 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS COACH CERTIFICATION TRAINING

Thank you for your interest in the District 8 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training to be held **October 10-11, 2026,** in Stephenville. Your interest and dedication to working with 4-H youth is appreciated and applauded. ***We will be capping each discipline at 20 participants (the cap could change at any time).*** If the registration is full when you register, please email Megan Shaffer or Audri Boring, to be added to the wait list (megan.shaffer@ag.tamu.edu/audri.boring@ag.tamu.edu).

Registration will open **September 7th and will close on September 25th**, via TX4H (our new enrollment system). Please note that all adults registering must be registered and approved adult volunteers to register for this event (you must enroll first).

- Late Registration – September 26th-October 1st - $175.00 (paid on enrollment site) + $20.00 online for Green Injection (paid on Green Injection site)

Green Injection Online!!!
This is a required component of the training. You can take this training here: https://4-hshootingsportscollege.com/

- There is a $20.00 fee that must be paid online to complete the Green Injection Training

Registration Types
For all participants, there is a fee of $140.00, that includes the discipline training, Lunch, Supper, Snacks, Curriculum

- Coach (Adult) – Adults ages 21 and older will be candidates for Certified Coach. $140 + $20.00 online for the Green Injection (to be paid on that site)

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- Coach's Assistant (Adult) – Adults ages 18-20 will be candidates for Coach's Assistant. $140 + $20.00 online for the Green Injection (to be paid on that site)
- Coach's Assistant (Youth) – Youth aged 14-18 will be candidates for Coach's Assistant. $140 + $20.00 online for the Green Injection (to be paid on that site)
    - Must be accompanied by a sponsoring adult (age 21 & over) and meet one of the following:
        - Sponsoring adult must be previously certified in that discipline and will only pay a meal fee of $50. This adult will not receive any type of certification.
            - Sponsoring adult may be registered above as Coach (Adult) and pay the registration fee. $140 + $20.00 online for the Green Injection (to be paid on that site)
            - **Both must be in the same discipline/certification group.**

Agents wanting to register for the training will need to register on 4-H Online.

The 2026-2027 Waiver, Indemnification, and Medical Treatment Authorization Form is required to participate.

Please make sure this is uploaded during registration. If you are a Youth Assistant Coach Candidate, you will need to upload a signed copy of the Assistant Coach Acknowledgement Youth Form with you in addition to the Waiver, Indemnification and Medical Treatment Form to turn in on that Saturday morning.

When registering in TX4H, if you have any dietary guidelines, allergens or request any special accommodations, please denote that in the appropriate box.

Please let my office know if you require additional information.

I look forward to working with you!

Megan R. Shaffer

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District 8 4-H
Extension Program Specialist

SHOOTING SPORTS COACHES TRAINING

Schedule

AGENDA

Saturday, October 10, 2026

8:00 am	Participant Check-in
9:00 am	Discipline Trainings
12:00 noon	Catered Lunch
1:00 pm	Discipline Trainings
6:30 pm	Catered Dinner
7:30 pm	Instructors will finish up.
9:00 pm	Adjourn

Sunday, October 11, 2026

8:00 am	Check in with Instructors
8:30 am	Discipline Trainings & Test
12:00 pm	Wrap up & Adjourn

The Green Injection (must be completed by every candidate **who has not previously completed it) will be done online before or after your training. Your certification will not be complete without it.

Instructions for Green Injection:

Go to the following website: 4-hshootingsportscollege.com

- Click on the "Sign Up" button
- Fill out your account information
- When you are logged in, go to the "Clover Academy" tab
- Take Course (Consists of 4 (50-minute sessions)

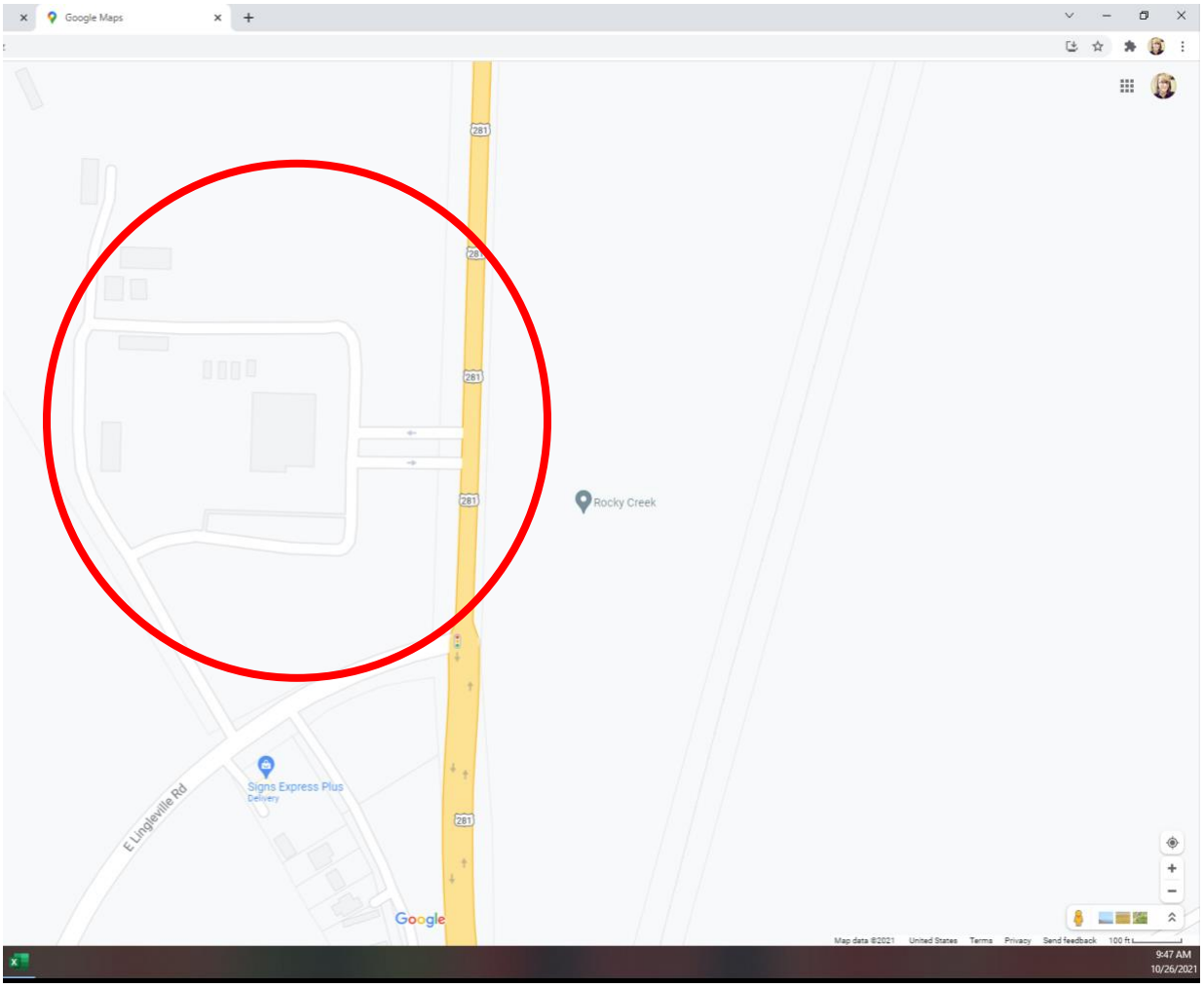
Please note that you will not receive your Certified Coach's Certificate until the completion of the online Green Injection Training. The state Shooting Sports Office will verify that all participants completed the training and participated in the one-day training.

Certificates will come from the Texas 4-H Office (not the D8 office) and will be sent directly to your county office. Please reach out to your CEA for confirmation of that.

Location

Texas A&M Agrilife Research & Extension
1229 North US HWY 281
Stephenville, TX 76401

Please note that if you enter this address into a GPS or Google maps, it may not take you to the correct location. Please see the map for exact location. The Research Center is at the corner of Lingleville Highway (FM 8 & Hwy 281). Signs Express is directly across Lingleville Highway & Tractor Supply is across HWY 281.



Lodging

Lodging is on your own at this training. Various lodging options are available in and around Stephenville. Suggested hotels are listed below.

Best Western Plus
121 S Lockhart Road
Stephenville, Texas 76401
(254) 965-8899
https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.44777.html?iata=00171880&ssob=BLBWI0004G&cid=BLBWI0004G:google:gmb:44777
Special Room Block Code: (locks rate in at $205/Friday night, $175/Saturday night) :
*https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.44777.html?groupId=5P6UA6D0 **minimal rooms available on this block.*

LaQuinta
105 Christy Plaza
Stephenville, TX 76401
254-918-2444
http://www.laquintastephenville.com/
If you use the code "TX4H" you will get a 15% discount on your room rate and the Texas 4-H Foundation will receive some monetary support from LQ.

Hampton Inn
910 South Harbin Drive
Stephenville, TX 76401
254-918-5400
http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/hampton-inn-and-suites-stephenville-DALSVHX/index.html
This will most likely be the most expensive hotel of the three.

There are other hotels in Stephenville, but I would bet these are probably the nicest or have not opened as of the posting of this memo. If they do not work, let me know and I will try to get you some more suggestions. They are all close to one another and our office. It does not make much of a difference as far as distance goes in getting to the office.

****Stephenville is a busy place! I would suggest making your hotel reservations early!****

SHOOTING SPORTS COACHES TRAINING

What To Bring As A Training Participant

Everyone attending should bring the following:

- Signed Waiver, Indemnification, and Medical Treatment Authorization Form (only if not uploaded during registration)
- Assistant Coach Acknowledgement Youth Form (if youth candidate; attached)
- 3-ring binder (2" or larger recommended)
- Writing materials and extra paper for notes
- Highlighters if you use them for stressed points
- Eye protection (shooting glasses or goggles) – recommended for archery, mandatory for all other disciplines
- Ear protection (plugs or muffs) – mandatory for shotgun, rifle, and pistol disciplines
- Comfortable outdoor clothing, including a cap or hat suitable for the prevailing weather and be prepared for inclement weather (remember this is November and it could be very warm or very cold)
- Sunscreen
- Range chairs if desired
- Water bottle (we will have a few snacks and water for you)
- Open mind ready to learn and share

Shotgun discipline participants:

- 20- or 12-gauge shotgun, any action type
- Ammunition pouch or vest
- 2 boxes of shells

Archery discipline participants:

- Bow, of any style
- Appropriate arrows, practice points only, no broadhead hunting points

Rifle discipline participants:

- .22 caliber small bore rifle, of any style, preferably bolt action
- 1 box of .22 ammunition

Pistol discipline participants:

- .22 caliber small bore pistol, of any style
- 1 box of .22 ammunition

Muzzle Loading discipline participants

- Muzzle loaders, if you have them.

Western Heritage discipline participants

- Single-action pistols and/or Lever-action Rifles
- .22 caliber only
- Dress for the part, if you choose