MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 1, 2016

TO: D6 County Extension Agents

FROM: Charlene Belew
Extension Program Specialist 4-H

SUBJECT: 2016 D6 4-H Rifle Contest

The D6 4-H Rifle Contest will take place Saturday, April 9th, 2016 in Monahans. The range is located just east of Hurd Memorial Airport at the corner of Mable and 10th Streets.

RIFLE CONTEST COMMITTEE
Chairman – Caleb Eaton
Assistant-Chairman – Courtni Munson
Shoot Coordinator – Ward County 4-H Adult Leaders
Committee Members – Logan Boswell, David Disselhorst, Houston Dobbins and Steve Paz

REGISTRATION
All youth should be registered, approved and paid 4-H members on 4-H Connect, and should be participants of their county 4-H Shooting Sports project. Contestant entry will be made via 4-H Connect, https://texas.4honline.com/, during the timeframe of March 14-28, 2016. The registration fee is $10 per contestant. The team name (e.g. Martin County Senior Team #1) and team member names will need to be provided. One team and two (2) individuals will be allowed to shoot from each county in both the junior and intermediate divisions. In the senior division each county may have up to three teams (in accordance with the state contest rules). It is the county’s responsibility to review and accept participant registration. NO LATE OR INCOMPLETE ENTRIES ACCEPTED.

SCHEDULE
Shooting schedules will be e-mailed from the district office by April 4th. The first heat will begin at 8:30 a.m. The Top Gun competition will start following target review of the last heat. The awards program will take place at the conclusion of the Top Gun Contest.
RULES & GUIDELINES
The D6 4-H Rifle Contest Rules & Guidelines are attached, and will take precedence. The 2016 Texas 4-H Roundup Rules and Guidelines will be followed, and are also attached. More information regarding the Texas 4-H Indoor Rifle Match can be obtained on the Texas 4-H Shooting Sports website, http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/.

AGE DIVISION
Based on the current 2015 - 2016 4-H year:
- Junior: 3rd, 4th and 5th grades (minimum age of 8)
- Intermediate: 6th, 7th and 8th grades
- Senior: 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grades (maximum age of 18 as of August 31st, 2015)

A team may consist of both junior and intermediate 4-Hers, but that team must compete on the intermediate level. Only seniors may constitute a senior team since it is a qualifying contest. The top three senior teams advance to state competition at the Texas 4-H Roundup Indoor Rifle Match in Victoria, June 4-5, 2016.

AWARDS
Ribbons will be awarded to each participant. The top three teams and individuals in each age division will be recognized. The Top Hand Award recipient will be acknowledged with a belt buckle. Additional prizes may be provided at the discretion of the contest committee.

PROTEST GUIDELINES
- $25 cash, and must be submitted in writing to the committee chair, Caleb Eaton
- Should be received no later than 30 minutes after the awards program has concluded
- The Protest Committee will consist of the contest committee member and 4-H Specialist
- The committee will meet in private to review and make judgment
- All decisions of the committee will be final

For emergencies the day of the contest, please contact Caleb Eaton, contest chair, at cleaton@ag.tamu.edu.

Contest information, photos and results can be found on the D6 4-H Website at, http://d64-h.tamu.edu/. Click on the Contests/Events tab, followed by the Rifle link.

PRE-DISTRICT RIFLE MATCH
The 2016 Pre-District Rifle Match will be held at the Crane County Indoor Range in Crane, Texas on March 3rd. Contact the Crane County Extension Office for more information at (432) 558-3522. THIS IS NOT A QUALIFYING EVENT FOR THE DISTRICT COMPETITION.