From my desk to yours: 2018 - Changes to State Fair 4-H Animal Project Requirements/Participation

Please read the email sent to all 4-H members the week of Jan. 29th. This update highlights the pieces sent in that email. All of the bullet points below are talked about in the document attached to that email or you can find the document along with this issue of the newsflash.

- Affidavits will be for unofficial use only.
- All 4HOnline data entry for 4-H animal identification is the exhibitor’s responsibility to upload into 4HOnline by June 1st at 11:59pm.
- Initial weight for market animals is no longer required to participate at the State Fair.
- DNA collection is the exhibitor’s responsibility.
- Animal registration papers are the exhibitor’s responsibility to upload to 4HOnline by July 1st at 11:59pm or bring to Extension office prior to deadline.
- Weigh-back processes during State Fair animal exhibitions have been eliminated.

Surveys were sent out concerning current rate of gain contests held at the county level in Aurora and Sanborn Counties. Sanborn Co. will hold an optional weigh in on Feb. 16 @ 1PM at the Artesian Vet Clinic. Market beef exhibitors who wish to participate in the Sanborn Co. rate of gain contest need to attend.

The contents of the survey will be shared at the next Aurora parent/leader meeting and there we will decide the future of the county rate of gain contests and/or implementation of new directions within livestock projects for youth development. As with everything, there will be some transition, and the Extension office and staff is here to help with any questions that may arise.
Youth for the Quality Care of Animals

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 8-21 with a focus on three core pillars: food safety, animal well-being, and character development. The YQCA program is an annual certification created for youth producing and or showing beef, dairy, sheep, goats, pigs, poultry and rabbits. The program has been designed by Extension specialists and national livestock program managers to ensure it is accurate, current and relevant to the needs of the animal industry and show, and is appropriate for youth learning levels. South Dakota 4-H believes that the YQCA program provides a great opportunity for our youth who are participating in food producing animal projects. For the first year (2018), SD 4-H will require YQCA for youth participating in swine projects exhibiting at county or state fair. Audra Scheel will be a trainer for the YQCA program and will lead in person trainings. For (2019) all youth participating with food producing animal projects will be required to be certified. The registration fee for instructor led trainings will be $3 per person and the online fee will be $12 per person. For more information on the YQCA program please contact Audra Scheel.

Step 1: Go to https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login
Step 2: Click sign in with 4honline icon.
Step 3: Select SD 4-H Youth Development in dropdown menu.
Step 4: Login to your 4honline account.
Step 5: Select the youth who you wish to sign up for a training.
Step 6: Select the course applicable based on their 4-H age.
Step 7: Select the training you wish to attend.
Step 8: Add a credit card and pay $3 online. *Each child will be a separate transaction

The 4-H Junk Drawer curriculum offers youth an opportunity to engage in engineering design and scientific exploration. Volunteers and 4-H Leaders are invited to attend to learn more about utilizing the lessons available. Please register on www.igrow.org for upcoming workshops.

March 3 in Brookings & March 10 in Gettysburg
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SDJPS Show Listings

Jackrabbit Memorial—March 2-4, 2018

Check out the website for entry forms!
Volunteer Resources Available

Accessing the Resources
To access the resources, visit the 4-H Professional and Volunteer Development website. Once there, you will need to sign up and then login to volunteer development and volunteer e-forum to see a list of all the resources.

Featured Resources
- **Cultivating an Environment for Growing True Leaders** Creating an environment where 4-H members feel safe as they grow and develop leadership skills means having volunteers who understand the basics of positive youth development. This session featured ideas and activities to help foster life skill development by focusing on strategies for more effective club interactions.
- **“STEM”ming into Animal Science, Growing True Leaders** Build on the roots of 4-H as we STEM our way into agriculture and animal science for experienced and new 4-H’ers. Incorporate Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) through traditional animal sciences project areas in communities. This resource packet has ideas for planning and organizing fun, educational sessions for youth.
- **Helping 4-H’ers Grow in Life & Work** In 4-H, all youth can explore their future. Club meetings, events, camps, and after-school programs are places to develop life skills and expand their interests through 4-H. These resources will help youth focus on life-long learning, workforce readiness, and career exploration.

4-H Curriculum

Curriculum books are available in most of the project areas. A book with seven completed activities along with one finished project can be exhibited at Achievement Days as an exhibit in that project area. The office has examples of all the curriculum books if you would like to come and take a look. You can review them and order from the National 4-H website at: www.shop4-h.org/curriculum

Service Learning Project

2017-18 4-H Youth Council Community Service Project “Blanket Buddies”
Help the South Dakota 4-H Youth Council team with their community service project this year! Any 4-H family, club, or county can make an endless number of fleece tie blankets to be donated to area health care facilities (i.e. hospitals, clinics, assisted livings, etc.) and/or shelters. Please contact the entity in which you wish to donate the blankets prior to delivery. The blankets can be of any size and pattern. 4-H clubs are asked to keep track of the number of blankets made and report that number to your Extension Office. Numbers should be turned into the Office prior to August 2018.
Spa day! Lotions & Potions

4-H Project Areas: Health, Entrepreneurship, Economics/Business & Marketing
Join us for a fun, interactive experience where we explore making shower melts, lip balm, and lotion bar.
We will compare prices to making it yourself vs. purchasing. Bring a friend.

Who: All youth ages Cloverbud & up!
When: Friday, February 23, 2018, 10 AM -12 noon
Where: 4-H Building– Plankinton, SD
Cost: $3 per person

4-H Partners with Joann Fabric!
Starting in November, the 4-H community and JOANN customers can save money while “shopping with a purpose” with the free 4-H Reward Card. This new card gives JOANN shoppers 15% of their total in-store and online purchases every day and gives a minimum of 2.5% of every eligible transaction as a donation to 4-H.
Get your card today and start crafting!
https://4-h.org/get-involved/partners/4-h-and-joann/

Culture & Craft

Where: Forestburg @ courthouse
Time: 10:00 AM
When: Feb. 16, 2018
What: Learn how to create paper beads and how this craft is done by people in other countries.

4-H Project Areas:
Cultural Ed.
Visual Arts
Business & Marketing
2018 4-H Leader Officers
President: Todd Clark
Vice-President: Elaine Schabot
Secretary: Cheryl Dethlefsen
Treasurer: Clint Moore
The next 4-H Leader/Parent meeting will be **Wednesday, February 21, 7 pm at the 4-H Building.**

### 4-H Leader/Parent Committees:

1. **End of Year Club Reports.**
   - Tammie Munsen
   - Cristy Olinger
   - Jill Harris

2. **Awards/Premium**
   - Sue Faulhaber
   - Kama Bruns
   - Elaine Schabot
   - Cheryl Dethlefsen
   - Cristy Olinger

Contact these people if you have suggestions or if you would like to know more about these committees.

County 4-H Scholarships Due to the office by April 15.
Applications can be found [here](#).

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**Aurora County 4-H News**

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Central Electric supper. We had an exceptional amount of help and will try to coordinate shifts better next year!

The 4-H Auction was a tremendous success! Thank you to the clubs for providing an excellent lunch stand and helping Clyde with the auction. 4-H proceeds from the sale will be available at the next leaders meeting.

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**Dates to remember:**

- February 21, 4-H Leader Meeting, 7 pm at the 4-H Building
- February 23, Lotions & Potions Spa Day, 4-H Building, 10 am
- February 23, CDM Contest #1, noon to 2 pm
- February 24, State 4-H Leaders Conference, Huron, 9:15 am
- March 6, YQCA Training, 4-H Building
- March 8, Horse Safety Training & YIA talks, 6 pm
- March 12, Babysitting Clinic, 4-H Bldg., 4-6 pm
- March 15, Private Applicators Recertification, 4-H Bldg., 1 pm
- March 19, Babysitting Clinic, 4-H Bldg., 4-6 pm
- August 6-7, Aurora County 4-H Achievement Days

**Club Meeting Dates:**

- All Club Minutes can be found on the Aurora County 4-H Website [www.auroracounty4h.net](http://www.auroracounty4h.net)
What is the 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest?

Each day youth make consumer decisions ranging from deciding which snack to choose to which cell phone plan meets their needs. Making consumer decisions can become confusing. The sheer volume of choices including in-person and online options easily becomes overwhelming. Fortunately, through experiences where sound decision making skills are taught and practiced youth can increase their ability to apply those skills and prevent poor decision making habits. The goal of the 4-H consumer decision making Program is to teach youth how to make wise consumer choices. A judging experience is used to impart that teaching. Judging is essentially a matter of comparing items and deciding which is better and why. The key to successful judging is to assess a given situation and to select the best alternative based on the situation and criteria. A member may or may not have specific knowledge of factors that make up the ideal choice. They need to be able to recognize the best choice for the given situation. For more information about the contest go to https://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4022-2013.pdf. In each county we hold three contests for 4-H members. 4-H members can then qualify to represent their county as a team member at the state contest held during the SD State Fair.

Elements of a 4-H Talk or Presentation

One of the most valuable skills a 4-H member will learn during their 4-H career is public speaking. I hear time and time again from teachers that they can tell if a youth is a 4-H member when they get up in front of a classroom to speak. As a horribly shy child this was a fear that I had to overcome time and time again. But overcome it I did, with lots of practice. I am able to speak in front of a crowd of people because of what 4-H instilled in me as a child. For your first talk, pick something you know a lot about or are comfortable talking about. Some of the other things your child will develop for life skills through public speaking include:

- How to find and research a subject and supplies with initiative and motivation
- How to plan and organize information and thoughts in a logical manner
- How to prepare original visuals and use them to support what you say
- How to express yourself clearly, convincingly and creatively
- How to teach and show others what you have learned
- How to select an appropriate delivery method and use appropriate delivery techniques
- How to listen to the opinions of others and accept feedback
- How to manage your time
- How to manage stress

4-H Public Presentation Guide
Sanborn County 4-H News

It’s that time again! Order forms have been handed out and we will be selling 4-H fruit the month of February. Proceeds from fruit sales this year will be used for improvements on the 4-H grounds (wiring for a PA system, continuous fencing in the livestock barn, new blinds for the 4-H building) and State Fair display units.

Listed below are several things you should know:

♦ Please take time to read the information included in the packet.
♦ It is important that you collect the money when a customer places an order.
♦ All checks should be made payable to “Sanborn County 4-H Leaders” and placed in the white envelope included in your packet.
♦ Please bring in all order forms and money collected to the Extension Office by Tuesday, February 27th.
♦ The fruit will be delivered Saturday, March 24th. Plan to come help unload the truck and to pick up your fruit for delivery.

Paper Bead Workshop

Learn how the women and children of Haiti make and sell paper bead jewelry to support their families.

Who: All youth ages Cloverbud & up!

When: Friday, February 16, 2018, 10 AM

Where: 4-H Building – Forestburg, SD

Cost: $3 per person

4-H Babysitting Workshop

Monday, April 2 ~ 8:30AM – 12:30PM
4-H Building in Forestburg

Skills taught include basic safety, first aid, health snack prep, important facts about how kids grow and change, babysitter responsibilities and business basics, age appropriate activities for children and much more. Each participant will receive a babysitter’s bag and certificate of completion! Open to all youth ages 8 and up. $5 per participant with a meal provided.

Our first Consumer Decision Making Contest and Horticulture Skill-a-thon will be on Friday, February 16th at 10:00 AM during the paper bead workshop in Forestburg.
Upcoming Events

**Feb 7, 2018**  
Parent/Leader Meeting 6:00 p.m. @ the Courthouse

**Feb 12, 2018:**  
Butter Braid sales begin

**Feb 18, 2018**  
Prairie Hills Club meeting. 1:00 p.m. at Starlight Bowling Alley

**Feb 19, 2018:**  
Farm & Home Show~Butter Braid sales kickoff & Silent Auction

**Feb 27, 2018:**  
Butter Braid order forms need to be at extension office

**March 1, 2018**  
State Shooting Sports match registration opens

**March 4, 2018**  
Canvas Painting-RSVP-(email will be sent out with details)

**March 5, 2018**  
YQCA Training-4:00 pm @ Jerauld Co Courthouse

**March 12, 2018**  
Butter Braid Delivery

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**J & B Shooting Sports Schedule**

All practices are held on Monday’s at 5:00 p.m @ the Jerauld Co. Ag Building.

**End of Match 1, 2/28/2018**

**End of Match 2, 4/08/2018**

**End of Match 3, 5/31/2018**

Postal Dates: Jan 29, Feb 12 & 26, March 5, 12 & 26, April 9, 16, 23

Spring State Shoot: April 27-29 @ Ft Pierre

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**2018 Private Pesticide Applicator Certification**

**Certification Sessions:**

**Jerauld Co.** 1:00-4:00 p.m on March 2 @ Ag Bldg

**Aurora Co.** 1-4:00 p.m. March 15 @ Aurora Co Community/4-H bldg.

**Sanborn Co.** 1-4:00 p.m March 26 @ Sanborn Co 4-H Bldg

**Brule Co.** 1-4:00 p.m Feb 1 @ Brule Co Ag Bldg.

**Online Exam at Extension Office:**

*Please call to schedule an appointment.
539-9471

**Must have valid ID and current pesticide license with barcode.

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**Butter Braid Fundraiser & Silent Auction**

The Annual Butter Braid Fundraiser will begin Feb 12. Packets will be mailed out the week prior. We will have a booth at the Farm & Home show with samples and order taking. All Butter Braid order forms need to be returned to the extension office no later than Feb 27. Delivery is scheduled for March 12.

We will be holding a silent auction that day as well. All families are asked to donate something. Donations can be dropped off at the extension office, the gym or at Starlight Bowling Alley on Feb 18 (Prairie Hills club meeting).
State 4-H Scholarship Info!

The South Dakota State 4-H Scholarship Policy has been uploaded as a publication to iGrow. Take note of two changes.

1. There are two new scholarships in which 4-H participants can apply. Check them out!
   Due to a later release, the deadline for scholarships has been moved to April 1st, 2018.

   Click here for a direct link to the scholarship publication.

   *Opportunities for youth who are graduating seniors in high school and those enrolled in higher education.*

4-H Rodeo

The South Dakota 4-H State Finals Rodeo is held each year in Fort Pierre on the Stanley County Fairgrounds.

http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/state-finals-rodeo/

2018 State Finals Rodeo

August 17–19, 2018 @ Stanley County Fairgrounds, Ft. Pierre, SD

Contestant Information

Rules & Regulations

Official Rodeo Entry Form

Teen Leadership Conference

Fear Factor: Face Everything and Rise

June 4–8, 2018, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD

Teen Leadership Conference is an annual conference in June hosted by 4-H Youth Council in collaboration with South Dakota 4-H and SDSU Extension at the main campus of South Dakota State University (SDSU) in Brookings, South Dakota. This conference is open to any teens regardless of their involvement with 4-H. Teens have an opportunity to grow personally and professionally, while exploring the beautiful SDSU campus.

It’s not too soon to be thinking about attending TLC in June and also considering applying for Youth Council. Check out this page on iGrow for more information:

http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/4-h-youth-council/
HORSE SAFETY TRAINING

4-H Project Areas: HORSE
(All County/State Horse Show Exhibitors must attend a training session).

Who: 4-H members participating in County and State Horse Shows

When: Thursday, March 8, 2018, 6 pm

Where: 4-H Building– Plankinton, SD

Training will include a presentation on Horse Ownership Responsibility & Safety and two safe skills. Youth can also present their Youth-in-Action Talk or Demonstration to complete their training requirements. This training must be completed and uploaded to 4-H Online by June 1.

SD State Leaders Assoc. Conference

We are so excited to share the information for our conference scheduled for Saturday, February 24th from 9:15-1:30 at the Nordby Exhibit Hall in Huron. You will find an attached pdf flyer with all the information. Please share the word – take advantage of this opportunity! We invite leaders, volunteers, parents, friends of 4-H, junior leaders – anyone who has an interest in being inspired and learning more about 4-H! Note that we are asking you to pre-register by Feb 16 to allow our hosts from Spink and Beadle counties enough time for planning!

Schedule of Events

9:15 a.m.—Registration & Welcome
9:30-10:00 a.m.—Key Note Speaker
   Jared Knock of Willow Lake
10:00-10:50 a.m.—Session 1
10:55-11:45 a.m.—Session 2
11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.—Lunch
State 4-H Leader’s Meeting
12:40-1:30 p.m.—Session 3

Session 1
Foods & Nutrition Judges Training
Or 4-H Safety Programs-HOSTA Details & Shooting Sports Update

Session 2
Posters & Displays Judging-What to Look For or
4-H Outdoors-Engaging Clubs in the Outdoors

Session 3
Goals of SD 4-H & State Fair Book Preview & State 4-H Office Q & A
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