



4-H News & Happenings

April 2025

4-H Insurance Due April 1st

ALL 4-H members are REQUIRED to have 4-H insurance. American Income Life Insurance Company (AIL) provides the following insurance policies for South Dakota. Below is the cost:

- ◆ If the 4-H member is in non-horse projects the cost is \$1.50.
- ◆ Cloverbud insurance is \$1.50.
- ◆ If the 4-H member is in horse project the cost is \$2.50.
- ◆ If the 4-H member is in rodeo, insurance cost is \$40 unless the family has its own insurance to cover rodeo, then they must purchase the \$2.50 horse insurance.

If paying with a check, please make check payable to Prairie Winds 4-H.

Deadline is **Tuesday, April 1, 2025.**

4-H Leaders' Meeting

The **Prairie Winds 4-H Leaders' Meeting** is scheduled for **Monday, April 7th** beginning at **5:30 pm** in the Stanley County Commissioners Room, basement of the Stanley County Courthouse, Fort Pierre, SD. All 4-H leaders and parents encouraged to attend.

REMINDER 4HOnline!

If you haven't already re-enrolled for the 2024-2025 4-H year here is the link: <https://v2.4honline.com>. This needs to be done ASAP, in order to be eligible to 4-H rodeo, show at county and/or state.

Wendi Roberts
4-H Secretary
Stanley/Hughes County

CALENDAR

April:

- 1: 4-H Insurance due to 4-H Office**
- 7: State 4-H Scholarships Due
PW 4-H Leaders Meeting**
- 9: 4-H Online & Fair Entry Training
Staff will be out of the 4-H Office**
- 15: SS End of Match 3**
- 16: Registration for Spring State Shoot
Closes**
- 25-27: Spring State Shoot**

May:

- 1: 4H Rodeo Finals Forms Due**
- 12: Prairie Winds 4H Scholarship Due**
- 14: YLL & YHL Clinic**
- 19: DNA Envelopes Due**
- 26: Memorial Day**
- 27: 4H Livestock Lease Forms Due**

4HOnline Link:

<https://v2.4honline.com>

County 4-H Website:

<http://www.stanleycounty.org/departments/4hextension/>

SDSU Extension Website:

<https://extension.sdstate.edu>



STANLEY & HUGHES COUNTY EXTENSION, FT PIERRE, SD
Learn More at the SDSU Extension Website <https://extension.sdstate.edu>



2025-2026 4-H State Scholarship Application

The 2025-2026 4-H scholarship application is now posted on the SDSU Extension website here:

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/south-dakota-state-4-h-scholarship-application>

Scholarship applications are due to the State 4-H Office the **first Monday in April**, which is **April 7th** this year.

The County office is responsible for submitting the completed applications to the State Office, so please plan accordingly. Scholarship applications can be dropped off in the Blue Drop Box under the bulletin board if staff is not in the office.

Any questions, please ask Rachel Chamblin, Rachel.chamblin@sdstate.edu.

4-H Online and Fair Entry Staff Training Date

The dates for staff 4-H Online and Fair Entry training in early April 2025 have been set. The training will start around 9:30 a.m. and conclude around 4:00 p.m. The training that 4-H staff will be attending is on **April 9, 2025**.

4-H Spring State Shoot

The Spring State Shoot will be held April 25-27 at the Expo Center and surrounding areas in Pierre and Ft. Pierre. Good Luck to all the shooters that have qualified.



4-H Rodeo Forms due May 1st

Rodeo forms and information are available at :

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-4-h-rodeo-resources>.

All rodeo forms have been updated. Be sure to enroll or re-enroll in 4-H at <https://v2.4honline.com> and if you are not a member of a 4-H club, **you need to enroll as a Hughes/Stanley Member at Large, not Blunt 4-H Rodeo or Central SD 4-H Rodeo.**

Then fill out all forms and mail to the State 4-H Finals Secretary **by May 1, 2025**. The 2025 4-H Rodeo Contestant Packet will be attached.

New this Year—There will be a new \$20 administrative fee per contestant. This was voted on at the annual meeting in October 2023.

Please read the contestant packet thoroughly it has information about Rodeo Entry Check List, Incomplete Entries, How to Check Your Eligibility, Late Entry Process and Jr Jr Division.

Prairie Winds 4-H Scholarship

The 2025 Prairie Winds 4-H Scholarship is also available and is due to the 4-H Office **May 12, 2025**. If interested in applying for this scholarship, contact the 4-H Office and an application will be emailed to you.

Deadline is May 12, 2025.

Youth Livestock & Horse Literacy Clinic

A YLL and YHL Clinic is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 14th** at the SDSU Pierre Regional Center (412 W. Missouri Ave. Kenyon Building) with **registration beginning at 5:30 pm** and the **program at 6 pm**.

Topics include: Top 5 Livestock and Horse Diseases. Instructor is Dr. Heather Osnes. This clinic is certification for the Youth Livestock & Youth Horse Literacy.

Please pre-register by Monday, May 12, 2025, by emailing: HughesStanley.County@sdstate.edu

4-H Camps

Any youth from any county can attend a 4-H Camp that fits their age range.

Camp Poinsett ~ Arlington, SD

* Ages 8-12: June 2-4 or June 4-6 (\$185)

Poinsett Going Beyond

* Ages 12-14: June 9-11 (\$185)

Camp Storm Mountain ~ Rapid City, SD

* Ages 8-12: June 15-18 (\$250)

Registration website: <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-camps>

All registrations due by May 11, 2025.

4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE, AND MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.



DNA Samples

All market animals (market beef, market goat, market sheep, and market swine) intended for 4-H competition at the SD State Fair are required to submit DNA samples. A DNA sample must be self-identified and submitted to the 4-H Office by **May 19, 2025** for State Fair eligibility. Market animals without a DNA sample on file will be ineligible for competition at the SD State Fair, regardless of the participating status in the County 4-H Achievement Days/County Fair. DNA sampling is the responsibility of the 4-H member. DNA envelopes are available at the 4-H Office.

4-H NUES Green Tags

Market animals that do not have a Federal or NUES tag must be tagged with a 4-H NUES Green Tag to be exhibited at the County Achievement Days/Fair and SD State Fair 4-H Show. **Please note:** that baby calves do not need a green tag since this is a **county lot only** and if you are only showing your animal at county level, you will not need to get a green tag, **ONLY ANIMALS GOING TO THE SD STATE FAIR.**

Livestock Lease Form

4-H members may lease livestock. All livestock lease forms must be turned into the 4-H Office before **May 27, 2025, so they can be uploaded into 4HOnline.** A **4-H Livestock Lease Form is attached.**

20th Annual Soils Day & 41st Annual Rangeland Days

The 20th Annual Soils Day and 41st Annual Rangeland Days will be held June 10 & 11, 2025, in Belle Fourche, SD. **Pre-registration is due by May 30, 2025.**

I have attached a flyer with more information about the two events.

SkillsX By 4H Leader-in-Training

In South Dakota 4-H, we recognize the importance of scaffolded learning opportunities and the ability for young people to build their leadership skills at a pace that is comfortable for them. That is why we have developed the SkillsX by 4-H Leader-in-Training (LIT) program. The 4-H LITs are part camp counselor, part group leader. Do you have a 4-Her age 13-18 in your household that is interested in building their leadership skills, but intimidated by our other state level leadership opportunities? The 4-H LIT program may be the right fit for them. Please find the 4-H LIT [position description](#) attached along with the [application](#).

Applications are due by **April 15th** with interviews to follow. For more information about the SkillsX by 4-H event or the 4-H LIT program, please contact Hilary Kroupa (hilary.kroupa@sdstate.edu).

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Office Hours:
Monday: 8 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 8 am to 4 pm
Wednesday: 8 am to 12 Noon
Office will be open during the noon hour during Monday and Tuesdays.



4-H MISSION STATEMENT

4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING AND LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CARING ADULTS