



4-H News & Happenings

MARCH 2025

State Horse Show Project Guide and Schedule

The State Horse Show Project Guide and State Horse Show Schedule has now been posted to the SDSU Extension website: <https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-horse-show-judging-and-hippology>. These documents are also attached. The State 4-H Horse Show will be held **July 8-10, 2025**, in Huron, SD. The deadline to register for the State 4-H Horse Show is **June 27, 2025, by 12 Noon**.

2025 4-H Summer Camps

SDSU Extension 4-H will host multiple different camp this summer. Each camp will give youth the opportunity to meet other campers from across the state, participate in experiential educational activities and experience the recreation opportunities the facilities provide.

Poinsett-Session 1: June 2 - 4, 2025 Lake Poinsett Camp & Living Waters Retreat Center, Arlington Ages: 8-12 year olds Cost: \$185

Poinsett-Session 2: June 4 - 6, 2025 Lake Poinsett Camp & Living Waters Retreat Center, Arlington Ages: 8-12 year olds Cost: \$185

Poinsett-Going Beyond: June 9 - 11, 2025 Lake Poinsett Camp & Living Waters Retreat Center, Arlington Ages: 12-14 year olds Cost: \$185

Storm Mountain: June 15 - 18, 2025 Storm Mountain Center, Rapid City Ages: 8-12 years old Cost: \$250

Registration for 4-H summer camps are now open on the SDSU Extension website: <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-camps>. All camp registrations are due by May 11th. A flyer is attached with more information. Please contact Kyle Beach with any questions: kyle.beach@sdstate.edu.

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Learn More at the SDSU Extension Website <https://extension.sdstate.edu>

CALENDAR

March:

- 15: SS End of Match 2
SS 4-H Enrollment Deadline for Spring**
- 17: Registration for Spring State Shoot Opens**

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**

4HOnline Link:

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

County 4-H Website:

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

SDSU Extension Website:

<https://extension.sdstate.edu>



Purchasing Poultry for 2025 4-H Show Season

For anyone purchasing poultry for the 2025 4-H show season, please keep the State Fair Book and the American Standard of Perfection in mind when selecting your birds. These two resources will help you easily class your poultry when it comes time to enter them in 4-H Online and Fair Entry. If you have a question on whether a specific breed is eligible to be shown in the purebred Standard or Bantam chicken classes or waterfowl classes for 4-H, please contact one of the committee members for clarification preferably before purchasing or hatching birds.

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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.

2025-2026 4-H 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 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.

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-Her 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 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.

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.



UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINE REMINDERS

April 1: County 4-H Insurance Due to 4-H Office
April 7: State 4-H Scholarships Due to State 4-H Office
April 7: Prairie Winds 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting
April 9: 4-H Online and Fair Entry Staff Training
April 16: Registration for Spring Shoot Closes
April 25-27: Spring State Shoot—Pierre/Fort Pierre

May 1: 4-H Rodeo Finals Packet Due to State 4-H Finals Rodeo Secretary
May 14: Youth Livestock & Youth Horse Literacy Clinic

June 1: Youth Horse Literacy Completion Deadline
June 1: Animals Entered into 4-H Online Deadline
June 17: Special Foods Contest
June 24: County 4-H Horse Show
June 25: Public Presentation Contest
June 27: State Horse Show Registration Deadline by 12 Noon

July 8-10: State 4-H Horse Show
July 21: Fashion Revue

August 3: Entering and Judging of Display Exhibits for 4-H Achievement Days
August 4: 4-H Achievement Day Livestock Shows

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.

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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