



Codington County 4-H



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4-H Online - IMPORTANT

All members that want to join 4-H for the 2025 - 2026 year MUST be enrolled in 4-H Online and have the insurance payment paid to the office by **May 31, 2026!** We still have several members that are pending or incomplete! To complete the enrollment process you will need to drop off your insurance payment to the office (\$1.50 per 4-H member or \$2.50 per horse project member) or put it in the Drop Box by Entrance B. Insurance checks should be made payable to the Codington County 4-H. Also, current members must be enrolled in the project area (Clothing, Visual Arts, Sheep, etc.) if they wish to exhibit that project at Achievement Days & State Fair by May 31! So log-in to your 4-H Online account and make sure you have all the projects selected that you may want to participate in! The website is <https://v2.4honline.com>. If you have any questions, please call the office.

2026 State Fair Books

The 2026 State Fair Books are now available online at:

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-fair-book>

Please become familiar with this book and its contents, especially for the project areas you wish to participate in, so please **"Read the Book!"**

Congratulations and Best Wishes!

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to our 4-H members graduating from high school this year. This is an exciting time for all of you, and we wish you the very best in your future endeavors!

Noah Dagel Trysan Jones James Kahnke
Caleb Kleinsasser Aryanna Pahl
Kaden Raml Trallan Sumner Adalyn Tesch

Congratulations

Congratulations to all the members who participated in the 2026 SD 4-H State Shoot that was held April 24 - 26 in Pierre/Ft. Pierre.

Great Job Everyone!!

Shooting Sports Awards Night

The Shooting Sports Awards night will be held on Thursday, May 14 at 6:00 pm at the Codington County Extension Complex.

This includes Archery, BB Gun, Air Rifle/Air Pistol, and CMP.

Please RSVP to let us know how many will be attending in your family at codcoext@midconetwork.com

Codington County 4-H Facebook Page

We are currently facing an issue with our Facebook page. Thank you for your patience as we work to resolve this matter. For 4-H forms go to: <https://www.codington.org>

Everything Friday Message

Are you interested in receiving weekly emails from the State 4-H Office about upcoming State 4-H events and information about 4-H? Sign up at the below link:

https://sdstateoira.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9STLXLiYOpmlPE

Important Reminders!!!



IMPORTANT!!!

Livestock Reminders

The livestock letters were mailed out. It is imperative that you read your letter thoroughly. Members are responsible for entering their animal information into 4-H Online at <https://v2.4honline.com> by **June 1 at 11:59 pm**. **There will be no late entries this year!!**

Please note that Ownership Verification Affidavit forms that will be in your livestock letter are strictly for unofficial use. This form can serve as a helpful tool to gather the necessary information for data entry in 4-H Online.

REMEMBER, at this time, you are **not** registering for Achievement Days or the State Fair; rather, you are entering the animals you own or lease and intend to show, along with their relevant identifying information such as birthdate, tag number, tattoo, registration number, etc. If you do not have access to a computer, one is available for use at the office.

Livestock Leasing forms must be uploaded by June 1 and can be obtained at the Extension Office or at <https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-fair>.



2026 State Fair Updates



!! NEW!! 2026 4-H State Fair Livestock Updates !!

- **Use of RFID tags for all market animals.** (See the South Dakota 4-H Animal Ownership and Identification Guide publication). RFID tags are readily available to all livestock exhibitors who are required to use them at our office.

Why the change to RFID:

1. Use is encouraged by and in some cases required by USDA, e.g., USDA requires official RFID 840 tags for interstate movement of cattle including for all cattle of any age used for shows or exhibitions.
 2. Ease of use for large numbers of animals being identified – RFID tags can be scanned quickly.
 3. Many other shows and states require RFID tags, e.g., Kansas requires 4-H RFID for all market and commercial animals;
 4. Most RFID tags are considered tamper-proof. Many animals already have RFID tags. By not requiring a specific brand/color/4-H RFID, exhibitors have the flexibility to use the type of RFID that works best within their management and other exhibition plans.
- **Deadlines are deadlines and there will be no late entries accepted! June 1, 2026 deadline for 4-H Online entries of animals and August 1, 2026, deadline for State Fair entries in FairEntry.**
 - Adhering to published deadlines builds responsibility. When there are no or minimal consequences for missed deadlines, even those individuals who are usually responsible and follow deadlines can get lax.
 - **County qualification will be required to exhibit at State Fair.** The same exact animals are not required and there is no “ribbon” qualifier.
 - The lack of county qualifying events affects local programs and support in terms of reduced entries, audiences, publicity, and sponsorship.
 - In the response to the county qualification question in the survey sent to livestock families in January, only 10% of over 300 respondents indicated a preference for no county qualification requirement.
 - A “Protest and Grievance Policy” that has been through university legal and administrative review will be published in the Fairbook. The policy includes an “in-show” procedure as well as “after-show”.
 - Events have rules and protocols to ensure safety and integrity for all participants. South Dakota 4-H undergirds the overall youth development program with policies and procedures that ensure safety and integrity state-wide. Infrequently a 4-H member fails to abide by these frameworks and becomes subject to disciplinary action. If the disciplined or affected 4-H member disagrees with the disciplinary action/ non-action, the policy provides a means to appeal the actions taken by event/local decision-making entities.

IMPORTANT - State Fair 4-H Late Deadline Policy

Please be advised that there will be NO EXCEPTIONS to the June 1, 2026 at 11:59 pm deadline to enter animals in 4-H Online or for the State Fair registration deadline of August 1, 2026 at 11:59 pm this year.

June 1, 2026 Deadline to enter animals in 4-H Online & DNA

We are ONE MONTH away from the animal identification in 4-H Online deadline of June 1 at 11:59 PM CT and DNA submission deadline of June 1 to your local 4-H office. These are NO EXCEPTIONS deadlines so please ensure you are working ahead.

A few tips for entering animals into 4-H Online:

- When a family clicks to add an animal, a screen will appear that states Animal Type and will state Tag, Tattoo or Number. When it states tag on this screen, it is not asking for the RFID tag number, this tag number is the additional tag. Please place the tag number of the additional tag in this location. When you click on continue, there is a spot for the RFID tag. If you accidentally put the RFID tag into this spot, when you get to the animal information, it will state what is to be placed in the text box for that area and you are able to update it to the correct information.
- RFID tags: When entering the animal where an RFID tag is an option, you must put in between 15 and 16 characters for the RFID tag section. It will not allow you to enter the animal if you do not have the appropriate number of characters. For county only animals (not showing at the State Fair) and your county does not require an RFID tag for their Achievement Days/Fair, under the RFID tag place the animals tag number and then add the appropriate number of zeros to get to the required 15 to 16 digits. An example would be tag number 128, enter the RFID tag as 128000000000000.
- Rabbits: If you do not know the rabbit's gender due to its young age, double enter your Rabbit in both genders in 4-H Online.
- Poultry: The band number that is entered into 4-H Online is the band number that must be used for your Poultry exhibit at Achievement Days/Fair and State Fair. The leg band numbers will not be edited after the animal deadline. It is suggested that you list the leg band color with the leg band number.
- Animals that persist from year to year (Dairy Cattle, Dog, Dairy Goat, Horse, Companion Animal, Poultry and Rabbits): If there is an animal that persists from year to year in 4-H Online, you need to re-activate that animal in 4-H Online on a yearly basis. If you do not re-activate the animal, it will not be active, and you will not be eligible to exhibit that animal at the South Dakota State Fair in the 4-H Division.

Horses: A recent photo of your horse is required for identification. A ¾ angle from the front left or right is preferred, which clearly shows any face and/or leg markings. If the horse has a brand, the brand should be visible in the photo, or a second photo should be added. Additional photos to more clearly show markings and characteristics may be added but are not required.

IMPORTANT!!

Youth Livestock Literacy (YLL) & Youth Horse Literacy (YHL)

YLL - All youth exhibiting livestock will be required to attend a YLL event meeting. When a member attends a YLL, our office will enter the YLL information in 4-H Online. **The due date for completion of YLL is July 1.** Watch your monthly newsletter and our Facebook page for YLL event dates. There will be a YLL session on May 21, 2026, from 3:30 to 5:30 PM at the Extension Complex, coinciding with other Skill-a-thons scheduled for that day. See Upcoming Events in this newsletter.

YHL - All youth exhibiting horse were required to attend a YHL event. When a member attends a YHL, our office will enter the YHL information in 4-H Online. **The due date for completion of YHL is June 1.**



2026 Codington County 4-H T-Shirt Sponsors

Codington County 4-H is currently seeking sponsors for the 2026 Codington County Achievement Day 4-H T-shirts. A t-shirt will be provided to all youth participating in the 2026 Codington County Achievement Days. A sponsorship of \$100 will include the sponsor's name printed on the back of the shirt, while a \$250 sponsorship will feature the sponsor's logo. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please email Jodi at jodi.loehrer@sdstate.edu. Thank You.

Codington County 4-H Achievement Day T-shirt Design

Hey all you creative geniuses! We are looking for a t-shirt design for the 2026 Achievement Days. Let's see what you've got!!

As you create, please follow these important 4-H Clover guidelines:

- Use the full emblem - Always show the complete 4-H Clover.
- No altered leaves - Don't remove, cover, or cut off any leaves. Keep other design elements separate.
- No overlapping - Do not place text, images, or graphics on top of the Clover.
- Keep it upright - The Clover should not be rotated or turned.
- Maintain proportions - You may resize the emblem, but don't stretch, skew, or distort it.
- Follow color rules - Use approved colors only (green, white, black, or metallic gold) and keep the design solid (no shading or gradients).

Now... get those creative ideas flowing!! Winning designer gets a free hoodie or sweatshirt. Designs due to the office by June 1, 2026



2026 4-H Camp

Check out <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-camps> for more information and registration for the 4-H Teen Wilderness Camp at Storm Mountain, Sunday, May 31 – Wednesday, June 3 for ages 13-17 and the 4-H Camp Storm Mountain, Sunday, June 14 – Wednesday, June 17 for ages 8-12. Registration deadline is May 15. These camps offer a unique opportunity for youth to spend time in the beautiful Black Hills. Group transportation options from the eastern side of the state are being considered, but no details are available yet. **These two Storm Mountain camps will be the only 4-H camping opportunities available to 4-Hers this year.** This will allow our 4-H educators to focus our energy and resources on these camps, strengthen program quality and better align with our long-term goals for youth development.

2026 SD 4-H Performing Arts Camp

The 2026 South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts is now live on the SDSU Extension website. South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts Camp will be held June 7 – 13. The link to register and find more information related to South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts Camp is <https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/south-dakota-4-h-performing-arts-camp>.

South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts is a 7-day performative experience at Northern State University (1200 S Jay St, Aberdeen, SD 57401) for youth who have completed grades 7+ that provides the opportunity to gain skills in musical theater performance.

Performing Arts Prep Camp: June 7-13, 2026. The cost of registration is \$450. The registration deadline is May 31. An early registration discount of \$25 ends on May 15. Families with more than one camper attending will also receive a \$25 discount by selecting the "Family of 2 Youth Participants" ticket at checkout.

If you are in need of financial assistance, we encourage you to apply for the Jayna and Kylee Sanborn Scholarship. 4-H Members may also apply for a \$50 scholarship through the South Dakota 4-H Leaders Association. Please contact performingartstroupe@gmail.com for more information regarding scholarships.

2026 State Fair Websites

- 2026 State Fair Registration - <https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/23485>
 - State Fair information - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-fair>
 - 2026 State 4-H Horse Show Registration (6/2/-7/1/2026) - <https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/23486>
 - 2026 Horse Project Guide - State Horse Show, Judging and Hippology
 - 2026 State Dog Show – 6/15/-/8/1/2026 <https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/23483>
 - Eastern Regional Dog Championship: August 15; Davison County 4-H Complex
 - Western Regional Dog Championship: August 29; RyeDoodle Boarding & Training
- Registration is due on August 1st. No late entries will be allowed.**

2026 Codington County Websites

- 2026 Achievement Days - <https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/23079>
Registration Deadline is July 27
- 2026 Clark/Codington Horse Show - <https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/23901>

Information Websites

- Communications - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/youth-action-4-h-communications-project>
- Fashion Revue - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-fashion-revue>
- Horticulture Skillathon - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-horticulture-skill-thon>
- Animal Lease form - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/south-dakota-4-h-animal-lease-form>
- Special Foods - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-special-foods-contest>
 - Dietary Guidelines for Americans.
- 4-H STEM Challenge - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-stem-challenge>
- 4-H Family & Consumer Sciences Skillathon - <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-family-and-consumer-sciences-skill-thon>

Upcoming Events - Codington County

Codington County 2026
Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS) Skill-a-thon
Consumer Decision Making Contest (CDM)
Horticulture Skill-a-thon
Youth Livestock Literacy Event



May 21 - 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm
June 22 - 11:00 am - 2:00 pm



Skill-a-thons will be held at the
Codington County Extension Complex Entrance B.

Family Consumer Science is about ID in Sewing & Clothing, Interior Design & Housing,
Food & Cooking.

Horticulture helps youth identify flowers, indoor plants, fruits, berries, and vegetables.

Consumer Decision Making is an opportunity for youth to demonstrate their ability
to make sound purchasing decisions.

Youth Livestock Literacy
This YLL event fulfills the requirements for the YLL.



There will be a
4-H Dog Project meeting on
Wednesday, May 6 ~ 5:30 pm
at the Codington County Extension Complex.
You do not need to bring your
dogs to this meeting.
Please RSVP to:
codcoext@midconetwork.com



**FIND
YOUR
VOICE**



**In
Communications**

Codington County will be holding a
Communications Workshop
on June 26, 2026 at the
Codington County Extension Complex.
Time to be determined.

4-H Food Preservation Workshop
July 22, 2026 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
at the Codington County Extension Complex

There are many ways to preserve food. Preserving food
reduces spoilage and waste, extends shelf life and allows
for a wider variety of foods year-round.
Join us to see what preserving food is all about!



June 4, 2026 Kid Kare Babysitting Workshop - Watertown

Register by May 18, 2026
by scanning the QR Code.



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Beyond
Ready

Get ready for this Clover Connect event hosted by the North 4-H Educators!

KID KARE BABYSITTING CLINIC



Workshops to cover Fun Activities with Children, Handling Children's Behaviors, Infant Care, Nutrition for Youngsters, Emergency Preparedness (weather and 9-1-1 situations), First Aid, and CPR training & certification.



JUNE 4, 2026



8:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. CDT



**CODINGTON COUNTY
EXTENSION COMPLEX**

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Watertown, SD 57201

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JOIN US!

- » Open to all youth ages 11-18
- » Cost: \$45
- » Registration Due: May 18, 2026
- » Scan the QR to learn more and sign up!



extension.sdstate.edu/clover-connect

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2026 Shake Wagon - June is Dairy Month

Save the Dates!

The Shake Wagon will be coming to Watertown, June 16, 17, and 18, 2026.

This is a fundraiser for Codington County 4-H. Power 106, Glacial Lakes Energy and Midwest Dairy Association will help sponsor this event.

Hours will be 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

This is a good opportunity for 4-H Clubs to support the dairy industry and promote Codington County 4-H.

2026 State Dog Show

The State Dog Show website has been updated with new score sheets, an updated project guide and updated skill-a-thon study guide at <https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-dog-show> The Obedience section of the 4-H Dog Project Guide has been updated this year. All of the score sheets for obedience have also been updated. The Dog Skill-a-Thon Study Guide has also been updated with new areas to study. Go to [State Dog Show](#) to access the updated information. The dog contestant packet will be posted soon.

Please note that the deadline to upload dog information in 4-H Online is June 1. State registration deadline in FairEntry for either of the regional dog shows is Aug. 1. The Eastern Regional Championship is Aug. 16 in Mitchell, and the Western Regional Championship is Aug. 29 in Rapid City. The regional dog shows do not require a county qualifying event.

2026 State Horse Show Guide

The 2026 State Horse Show is scheduled for July 13 - 15, 2026 at the SD State Fairgrounds in Huron, SD. The 2026 State Horse Guide and more information is now available on the Extension Website at <https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-horse-show-judging-and-hippology>.

PLEASE NOTE: To participate in the State 4-H Horse Show, youth must first compete in a county level 4-H horse show. They must enter the same classes at the county level that they plan to enter at the state level. No minimum ribbon placing is required, but participation in each class entered is mandatory. If a youth cannot attend their own county horse show, they may compete in another county's show to meet this requirement.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR THE 2026 STATE HORSE SHOW IS JULY 1 AT 11:59 PM. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

2026 State Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS) Skill-a-thon

The Youth In Action Family and Consumer Sciences Skill-A-Thon is an individual contest focused on three different classes: Food & Cooking, Sewing & Clothing, and Interior Design & Housing. This is a timed contest with different stations where contestants identify items from each class. 4-H members need to register for this contest through FairEntry.

Booklets, definition sheets and answer sheets have been updated for the Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS) Skill-a-thon and can be found at <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-family-and-consumer-sciences-skill-thon>. The booklets work as a great resource and study material.

The state contest will consist of identification for Food & Cooking, Interior Design & Housing, and Sewing & Clothing (Beginners-10 items of each, Juniors-15 items of each, Seniors-25 items of each). Juniors and Seniors will also take a quiz. This event will be timed and will require participants to choose a time slot in FairEntry.

2026 State Consumer Decision Making Contest (CDM)

The Consumer Decision Making (CDM) Contest will return to the South Dakota State Fair for the first time since 2019. This contest will happen concurrently with the FCS Skill-a-thon.

The CDM Contest is an opportunity for youth to demonstrate their ability to make sound purchasing decisions. The contest will consist of two judging classes and one set of questions for beginners, four judging classes and two sets of questions for juniors, and six judging classes and two sets of oral reasons for seniors. Judging classes will be chosen from the categories listed in the National Championship Consumer Decision Making study guide. The study guide may be accessed at:

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/fcs/>

Contestants may participate at any time during the posted hours of the contest and must register in FairEntry to participate. This event is not timed.

2026 South Dakota 4-H Premier Exhibitor Contests

There are nine specie categories and three age divisions for each specie (Beginner, Junior, Senior): Beef, Dairy (Dairy Cattle and Dairy Goat), Dog, Horse, Meat Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, and Swine. For more information go to:

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/south-dakota-4-h-premier-exhibitor-contests>

2026 Codington County Achievement Days

August 3 - 6

The Clover Classic

The Clover Classic contestant packet is now available and registration is OPEN! The Clover Classic will take place June 15-16 in Brookings, SD and will host EIGHT contests including the SD 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest and the SD 4-H State Livestock Skill-A-Thon Contest.

Registration closes June 1 at 11:59 PM CT.

All the information you need can be found using the link below. [↓](#)



South Dakota 4-H Clover Classic

The South Dakota 4-H Clover Classic will be held June 15-16 at various locations on the campus of South Dakota State University.

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South Dakota Swine Summit

2026 SD Swine Summit

South Dakota Swine Summit is a program for youth ages 12-21 interested in learning more about the swine industry. This event will take place on June 6, 2026, from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at various locations on the campus of South Dakota State University.

Must be registered by June 1, 2026

Location
SDSU Swine Education and Research Facility
2221 Medary Avenue
Brookings, SD 57006

Participants will tour the SDSU Swine Education and Research Facility and attend educational sessions about biosecurity, nutrition, animal evaluation, showmanship and daily care, and carcass evaluation and anatomy.

The event is free to attend, but registration is required. For more information and registration go to

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/south-dakota-swine-summit>

SAVE THE DATE! Rangeland & Soil Days June 9th & 10th, 2026 Belle Fourche, SD



Hosted By:
Butte & Lawrence Conservation Districts
Natural Resources Conservation Service
SDSU Extension
SD Society for Range Management

Rangeland and Soil Days will take place June 9-10, 2026. Rangeland and Soil Days offer a unique opportunity to learn more about South Dakota's important resources, our rangelands and soils. Learning activities have been designed for a variety of age groups. Topics covered include: plant morphology and identification, habitat suitability for cattle and wildlife, soil quality, erosion and much more!

Must be registered by May 22

Location: Belle Fourche Community Hall
512 6th Avenue
Belle Fourche, SD 57717

Contact: Kaylee Wheeler, SDSU Extension Range Field Specialist, or Emily Rohrer, NRCS State Rangeland Management Specialist

Registration is \$50 per person, which includes lunch and supper on June 9 and lunch on June 10. The deadline to pre-register is May 22. Registration fees can be paid during check-in, or mailed ahead of time to:
Butte Conservation District,
Attn: Yvette, 1837 5th Avenue, Belle Fourche, SD., 57717.

Register at: <https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/rangeland-and-soil-days>

Other County Events



ROBERTS COUNTY 4-H HORSE SAFETY TRAINING



• All youth who plan to participate in the 4-H Horse Program and County Horse Show **MUST** complete a Youth Horse Literacy Event (YHL) **before** June 1st.

When: May 4th at 6:30 p.m.
Where: Roberts County 4-H Grounds
Who: Any youth wanting to learn about horses or participate in the 4-H County Horse Show
What: Topics that will be discussed are yearly care, worming, trimming, ground work, basic safety, treatment injection sites, how to know your horse is sick and signs to watch for.




This is a YHL approved event!

Please contact the 4-H office to sign up!

CONTACT US

Visit Our Location	Office Phone Number	Email
11921 BIA HWY 700 Sisseton	605-698-7627	lauren.sankey@sdsu.edu




GRANT COUNTY 4-H HORSE CLINIC

MAY 20TH 2026

5:30 PM SUPPER/REGISTRATION
6:00-7:30 PM CLINIC

CLINICIANS WILL DISCUSS DIFFERENT KINDS OF BITS, SADDLE FIT, HORSEMANSHIP, RANCH RIDING AND BARREL RACING TECHNIQUES



ALL ARE WELCOME FOR THIS INCREDIBLE EVENT OF LEARNING

4-H HORSE LITERACY APPROVED EVENT

Grant County 4-H complex
Milbank SD 57252
contact 4-H office with any questions
Call 605-432-9221 to register



Registration is Open

2026 CAMP 1: JUNE 3 - 5 CAMP 2: JUNE 7 - 9

Youth Livestock Judging Camp

- Practice with multiple live cattle, sheep, goat, and swine classes
- Instruction from SDSU Livestock Judging Coach, Tommy Norman
- Mentorship from members of the current collegiate team
- Experience SDSU's state-of-the-art livestock facilities
- 1-on-1 reasons coaching



[CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION](#)

YOUTH LIVESTOCK JUDGING CAMP REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!

Camp 1: June 3-5
Camp 2: June 7-9

<https://www.sdsu.edu/animal-science/sdsu-youth-livestock-judging-camp>



Codington County 4-H club News



Country Clovers 4-H Club Meeting

The Codington Country Clover 4-H Club meeting was held at the Vet Clinic on March 29th, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Kolt Johnson. The meeting consisted of the "Poster Workshop". The next meeting is on April 19th, 2026. It will be Earth Day activities at the Extension Building. Some ideas for the projects are seed bombs, recycling activities, and dirt in a cup.
Submitted by Teal Culhane

Prairie Hustlers 4-H Club Meeting

The Prairie Hustlers 4-H Club met on February 15, 2026 at 4:00 pm at the Waverly School. Eighteen members and twelve visitors were present. Shadow Borkhuis called the meeting to order. Ruthanna Larson read the secretary's report and it was approved. Averi Thyen read the treasure's report that was approved as well. The roll call topic was "Describe yourself using a weather term." The businesses included: Sewing Day coming up, air gun and archery tournaments, and Arbor Day poster and Conservation Speech contest. We also filled out our 4-H record books. Alaina Kellen and Mia Borkhuis did a Character Counts about helping others. We then judged photography pictures. Ruthanna Larson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Alaina Kellen seconded it. The next meeting will be on March 22.
Submitted by: Ruthanna Larson

Prairie Hustlers 4-H Club Meeting

The Prairie Hustlers 4-H Club met on March 22, 2026 at 4:00 pm at the Waverly school. Ten members and five visitors were present. Vice President Ruthanna Larson called the meeting to order. Ruthann Larson read the secretary's report which was approved. The treasure's report was read by Rachel Meyer and it was approved. The roll call topic was "Tell your favorite dessert." The businesses included: June 1 deadline for animals to be registered, YLL due by July 1, 4-H Flavorful, and presentation on 4-H talks. There were no character counts, demonstrations, or talks. Matthew Meyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Rachel Meyer seconded it. We then made an Easter birdseed craft. The next meeting will be on April 12 at the Larson's home.
Submitted by: Ruthanna Larson

Prairie Hustlers 4-H Club Meeting

The Prairie Hustlers 4-H Club met on April 12, 2026 at 4:00 pm at the Larson's house. Fifteen members and ten visitors were present. Shadow Borkhuis called the meeting to order. Erica Kellen read the treasure's report which was approved. The secretary's report, read by Ruthanna Larson, was approved as well. The roll call topic was: "What project area do you want to speak on at a meeting?" The businesses included: Animals need to be registered by June 1, YLL needed by July 1, August 1 deadline for State Fair entries, TeamUp to CleanUp, T-Shirt ideas, 4-H summer camps and workshops, Award changes, State Fair rule changes, and Everything Firday. There were no character counts. Abraham Larson did a talk on the parts of a horse and Ruthanna Larson did a talk on how to saddle a horse. Matthew Meyer and Carter Kellen made motions to adjourn the meeting. THE next meeting will b on May 3.
Submitted by: Ruthanna Larson

Happy May Birthday!!!



Booker Bach, Leighton Bartscher, Caleb Brennan, David Carlson,
Jax Cram, Nathan Dagel, Jase Fick, Derek Flisrand,
Landon Granquist, Cindy Hayes, Russ Hoverstadt, Boone Huppler,
Gage Johnson, Corbin Kandle, Caleb Kleinsasser, Amber Koustrup,
Xavier LaBerge, AJ Lindner, Eliana Lindner,
Hazel McGregor, Oliver Moes, Avery Moffenbier, Tristan Reynolds,
Nate Roe, Jack Schleusner, Sheldon Shepherd, Adalyn Tesch,
Weston Thyen, Braydon Verschelden and Grady Wasland.



May 2026

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3	4	5	6 Dog Project Meeting 5:30 pm	7	8	9
10 	11	12	13	14 Shooting Sports Awards Night 6:00 pm	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 CDM/FSC/YLL Horticulture Skillathons 3:30 -5:30 pm	22	23
24	25 Office Closed 	26	27 Special Foods Workshop 10:00 am	28	29	30
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June 1 - Deadline for 4-H animals to be entered in 4-H online DNA Envelopes due to the office

Youth Horse Livestock Literacy Deadline

- June 1 - 4-H Leaders Meeting - 5:30 pm
- June 2 - Kid Kare - Brookings
- June 3-5 - SDSU Youth Livestock Judging Camp
- June 4 - Kid Kare - Watertown
- June 7-9 - SDSU Youth Livestock Judging Camp
- June 9 - SDSU Swine Summit
- June 9 - 10 - Rangeland & Soil Days - Belle Fourche
- June 14 - 17 - 4-H Storm Mountain Camp -Rapid City
- June 15 - Achievement Day Registration opens**
- June 15 - 16 - Clover Classic - SDSU Brookings
- June 16 - 18 - Shake Wagon
- June 19 - Juneteenth - Office Closed
- June 22 - CDM/FCS/Horticulture Skill-a-thon 11:00 - 2:00 pm
- June 24 - Cloverbud Camp
- June 26 - Communication Workshop - Time TBD
- June 30 - Codington/Clark Horse Show in Clark

July 1 - Youth Livestock Literacy Deadline State Horse Show Registration Deadline

- July 3 - Happy 4th of July - Office Closed
- July 9 - Special Foods Contest
- July 13 - 15 - State Horse Show - Huron
- July 21 - PSA's at KWAT Radio 10:00-10:30 am
- July 22 - Food Preservation Workshop - 9:00 am -12:00 pm
(more information will be coming out soon)
- July 27 - Achievement Day Registration Deadline**
- August 1 - State Fair Reg. Deadline - No late entries!!
- August 3 - 6, 2026 - Achievement Days
- August 14 - 16 - State 4-H Rodeo - Huron
- August 15 - State 4-H Dog Show -Mitchell
- August 29 - State 4-H Dog Show - Rapid City
- September 2 - 7, 2026 - SD State Fair
- September 7 - Labor Day - Office Closed

