

YANKTON COUNTY 4-H NEWS

JUNE 2020



County Fair as well as Youth in Action Contests will be discussed at the next leaders meeting.

State Horse Show and State Dog Show will be held August 29th & 30

National 4-H Conference: moved to September 26 - October 1 with registration on August 5

National Shooting Sports Archery Qualifier: postponed from mid-June to TBD in fall; event will be modified from original format but still provide a capstone archery experience for the year

Don't forget to take our 4-H Summer 2020 Survey! This will help us make decisions about how the summer might look! It will stay open through Friday, June 5! <https://www.questionpro.com/t/ANgfdZheXF>

No Cloverbuds for June

Special Foods will not happen in June. Leaders will discuss next week what we will proceed with.

CDM/Horticulture Judging Zoom Workshop on Tuesday, June 23 at 5:30 pm. It will be to learn about each contest and do some practice classes. The link will be: <https://sdstate.zoom.us/j/91846116021>

Upcoming Events

Thursday, June 4th	12-5 pm	Office Closed
Friday July 3rd		Office Closed
Monday, July 20th	5:00 pm	County Fair Entry Deadline
July 23rd - July 26th		Summer Spotlight
Sunday, July 26th	1:00 pm	County Fair Setup
July 30th - August 1st		Yankton County Fair
August 29th - 30th		State Horse Show
August 29th - 30th		State Dog Show
September 2 - 7th		South Dakota State Fair
Sept 26th - Oct 1st		National 4-H Conference

Yankton June Leader's Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://sdstate.zoom.us/j/98715207890>

Meeting ID: 987 1520 7890

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Finally, some good news is coming for our 4-H activities and events for this summer!

We do first need to get through June, where our Level A will continue. This means that we will continue the no face-to-face policy. All activities, events, club meetings, etc. will continue to be virtual for the month of June.

Beginning July 1, we will begin to transition to Level B, but in multiple phases. Under the first portion of Level B, we would still prefer that events take place virtually when possible, but we will be able to begin some activities of 15 people or less. All participants must maintain physical distancing of at least 6 feet whether indoors or out. The wearing of masks will also be required.

Beginning August 1, we will move to the next phase of Level B, which will open our activities and events to 50 people or less. There may still be activities that take place virtually. The physical distancing and mask requirements will still be in effect.

It should be noted that these protocols are passed down from SDSU and have been carefully prepared for the safety and well-being of employees, guests, and the public that we interact with. They were written with guidance from SDSU, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and the South Dakota Department of Health.

Decisions for movement into more or less restrictive plan phases will depend on the trend direction of local data including hospitalization rates, level of community spread, or the emergence of a local hot spot. We will still need to continue to follow the policy of SDSU Extension, but this means that restrictions are subject to change based on local needs.

Please remember that we are not yet in a position to be moving back to the way things were before March 15th. Please be patient and understanding as we work through these changes.

We are excited to start working toward “normal” and to be able to start seeing all of you in person!

South Dakota Summer Adventures Ask a Vet Video Series – Question Submission Form

During the Critter Crazy Days week of the South Dakota Summer Adventures program we will be hosting an ‘Ask a Vet’ video series. So we want to know, what questions do you have for a small or large animal veterinarian? Submit your answers by completing the QuestionPro form below. Individuals can submit an unlimited number of questions.

<https://sd4haskavetseries.questionpro.com>

Consumer Decision Making Skill-A-Thon and Horticulture Skill-A-thon Study Materials for Families

Families are now able to access the study materials for Consumer Decision Making Skill-A-Thon and Horticulture Skill-A-Thon in Box. The link to the Box Folder that can be shared with families is <https://sdsu.box.com/s/8emjq5qp5m2geuh4qalj9mpg6fy6h47u> . Please share this link with families that are interested in the two Skill-A-Thons.

Curriculum link from Shop4-H

Did you know that you can buy 4-H project area curriculum from Shop4-H? There are project books for almost every project area and include science experiments to skill-building activities, these learning resources are research-based, hands-on, and fun! They can even be entered in the fair!

<https://shop4-h.org/collections/curriculum>

2020 State 4-H Event Cancellation Calendar

A transparent list of cancellation decision deadlines in light of the COVID-19 pandemic

First edition; last updated June, 2, 2020

Introduction

This list aids planning and decision-making for 4-H member families and volunteers in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Its purpose is to communicate transparently the last possible date we will decide to keep a particular state 4-H event. Given the significant lead-time needed to prepare for and conduct our events, we hope this list will give you a better picture for how the upcoming 4-H season may transpire.

How it works

By way of example, consider the Healthy Living Day Camps (HLDC) slated for the second week of July. In order to properly prepare and conduct the HLDC, we have set our cancel decision date as May 22. So, imagine a scenario in which the 4-H in-person activity ban was lifted (by the Governor's office, University, Extension, etc.) on June 1. Under that circumstance, the HLDC would remain cancelled even though it might *seem* like they should have been able to continue.

2020 Cancel Decision Schedule: Yankton County Events

<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>	<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Cancel Decision Date</u>
Babysitting Clinic	May 1	May 27-28	Cancelled
Tri-Cross Dairy Tour-Viborg	June 1	June 6	Cancelled
Farm Safety Day		June 12	Cancelled
Clay/Union/Yankton Co. Horse Show	June 10	June 24	TBD - More Info Soon
Special Foods	June 19	June 26	TBD - More Info Soon
Yankton County Fair	July 20	July 30-Aug. 1	July 20

*Any decisions on postponement will be made on the decision date.

2020 Cancel Decision Schedule: STATE Events

<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>	<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Cancel Decision Date</u>
Shooting Sports: Match 3	Open event	April 1-22	event cancelled
Dog: Rally Judge Training	None	April 18	event cancelled
Shooting Sports: Spring Shoot	Qualification based	April 24-26	event cancelled
Shooting Sports: Match 4	Open event	May 1-July 15	event cancelled
*Science of Ag Contest	May 8	May 18	event cancelled
*Teen Leadership Conference	May 8	June 1-5	Virtual Alternative
Camp East 1	now May 1-15	June 3-5	event cancelled
Camp East 2/West 1	now May 1-15	June 8-10	event cancelled
Camp East 3/West 2	now May 1-15	June 10-12	event cancelled
*Performing Arts Camp	May 31	June 14-20	Virtual Alternative
2020 Dairy Judging Contest		June 13	event cancelled



2020 Cancel Decision Schedule: STATE Events Continued

<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>	<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Cancel Decision Date</u>
Teen Camp	now May 1-15	June 16-19	event cancelled
Pre-teen Camp	now May 1-15	June 28-July 1	event cancelled
Healthy Living Day Camps	June 24	July 8-11	event cancelled
*State 4-H Ambassador Retreat	None	July 12-14	June 22
Shooting Sports: Match 5	Open event	July 16-Aug 31	July 16
State Horse Show	August 11	August 29/30	NEW date
State Dog Show	August 11	August 29	uses state fair decision
**State Fair: 4-H Division	August 11	September 3-7	St. Fair Comm. decision
Shooting Sports: Fall Shoot	Qualification-based	September 12-13	September 1
Livestock Judging/Skillathon	September 9	September 18-19	September 9
Shooting Sports: Archery Qualifier	TBD	was June 13-14	event postponed to fall

2020 Cancel Decision Schedule: NATIONAL Events

<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>	<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Cancel Decision Date</u>
National Land & Range Contest	May 4	May 5-7	event cancelled
National 4-H Shooting Sports Inv.	Qualification-based	June 21-26	event cancelled
Citizenship Washington Focus	Already completed	June 20-28	event cancelled
National 4-H Conference	now August 5	moved to Sept 26-Oct 1	will be national decision

*Alternative virtual event likely if in-person event is cancelled.

**A few, select components will be offered virtually if in-person event is cancelled.

Notes on Postponed or Adapted State and National Events

- **National 4-H Conference:** postponed from late April to late September; decision made by National 4-H Council; Amanda Stade is in communication with these delegates
- **Shooting Sports: Archery Qualifier:** postponed from mid-June to TBD in fall; event will be modified from original format but still provide a capstone archery experience for the year

State Cancel Decision Dates Still Being Determined

- **Finals Rodeo:** scheduled event date is August 15-17 in Ft. Pierre

For more information, please visit:

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/2020-state-4-h-event-cancellation-list>

I've "GOAT" to go
to the
Yankton County Fair!
2020



Designed By:

Charlie Freng

ALL 4-H MEMBERS REGISTERED FOR YANKTON COUNTY 4-H BY MAY 31st
WILL RECEIVE ONE T-SHIRT!!

Extra Shirts can be ordered!!

NOTE: Shirts do not come in Youth XS or Youth XL

Orders and Money due to the Extension Office NO LATER THAN June 12th!

Sizes and Prices are listed below:

(Prices include Sales Tax)

Youth Small to Youth Large will cost \$10.00

Adult Small to Adult XL will cost \$12.00

Adult 2XL will cost \$12.50

Adult 3XL will cost \$13.50

Adult 4XL will cost \$14.50

Name: _____

Club: _____

Shirt Size _____ How Many _____

Shirt Size _____ How Many _____

Shirt Size _____ How Many _____

Summer 2020 Letter to 4-H Families

read time: 12 minutes; published: May 15, 2020

Dear South Dakota 4-H Families,

Are we done yet? Yeah, I understand that feeling. Quarantine helps us to re-set priorities and value relationships anew, but there is a reason we craft our lives a certain way. Selfishly, I am looking forward to that first trip to the ice cream stand or watching a live event! May 'normal' find us more quickly than we expect, and may we make good choices in the meantime.

Until today, you have not heard directly from me. In the first two months of the COVID-19 quarantine era, we maintained our normal county-based communications mode because the most immediate 4-H concerns were local. As the summer approaches, we pivot to the time when state events take on more importance; thus, today's message is provided centrally. Lines--to aid reading accessibility--separate different topics contained within this message. Please read carefully.

First, I want to celebrate the 4-H spirit exhibited by so many of you these past several weeks! Stories of individual 4-Hers safely volunteering to serve first responders, make cloth masks, and deliver food are an inspiration. Volunteers rallied to try new engagement methods. Professionals designed new virtual and curbside-to-go program opportunities. Teens adapted their upcoming leadership conference to provide an innovative virtual experience. Many have learned the new skill of avoiding the "double-chin look" while participating in online 4-H club and committee meetings. ☺ Thank you all for diving in with 4-H spirit to self-care while serving others.

Second, I want to share an exciting announcement about our virtual summer 4-H plans. To move us beyond the sadness of missing our favorite summer activities, a task force of 4-H professionals from across the state designed the amazing *South Dakota Summer Adventures* series. Featuring different topic themes each week, this 11-week series includes fun online and try-at-home lessons, creative hands-on contests, and weekend family challenges. Thanks to the generous leadership gift of the State 4-H Leaders Association and many supporting county associations, over \$10,000 in prizes* will be awarded! This is an incredible opportunity to invite non 4-H friends whose summer plans have been changed by cancelled camps, sports, and work opportunities. So join in this fun series and invite others as well! The fun begins the first week of June; check out the details and registration information here: <https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/south-dakota-summer-adventures-virtual-program>



Third, let's discuss the elephant in the room. Even with our exciting summer series, everyone wants to know: when do we get to re-start in-person 4-H again? Are we going to have a state fair? Because I cannot answer those questions with accuracy, let me do a little show and tell instead. At the bottom of the page you will see a chart. This chart showcases the SD4-H phases of re-entry toward in-person activities. As of today, here is where we stand:

- SD4-H remains in Level A until at least May 31.
- Should we migrate to Level B--which might open up a few size-limited opportunities like club meetings or shooting sports practices--that status change will be communicated to you via local 4-H professionals. Please give them time for any local event adaptations to be prepared. Be patient, this is not a time for comparing with neighboring counties.
- SDSU has announced that we will not be at Level C until at least mid-August. Events such as Finals Rodeo, State Dog Show, State Horse Show, State Fair, etc. continue to be planned as if a modified, in-person experience will occur. *Special Note #1: Level C is not the same as "normal;" it is very unlikely that any 2020 events will occur without modifications. Special Note #2: local event participation has been waived as a requirement for state event participation.*

For county event adaptations and cancellations, pay attention to local 4-H communications. For state event adaptations and cancellations, this link provides updates as they become known:

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/2020-state-4-h-event-cancellation-list> The next few sections add depth to this conversation...

Risk Level Chart

The chart below corresponds with the three risk levels. *Level A* corresponds with the lowest risk approach where quarantine is the norm. *Level B* corresponds with a lower risk approach where quarantine is lifted but group size remains significantly limited. *Level C* corresponds with a low risk approach where public events are allowed but good hygiene practices still determine event operations and modifications. Chart view:

A	B	C
<p>Lowest risk protocol</p> <p>For era in which in-person activities remain shut-down</p> <p>Events will be virtualized or cancelled dependent upon local needs</p>	<p>Lower risk protocol</p> <p>For era in which in-person activities remain discouraged and/or group size limitations remain in effect</p> <p>Events will remain virtual or may partially become in-person where practicable</p>	<p>Low risk protocol</p> <p>For era in which in-person activities resume but with appropriate mitigation measures to reduce risk of viral spread</p> <p>Events will be in-person but will still be modified to reduce risk</p>

Note: this chart indicates the *maximum* allowable forms of participation; counties may always choose less in accordance with local needs/options. In areas facing a short-term “hot spot” for COVID-19 spread, local 4-H professionals may choose a more risk averse pathway in the interest of public safety; however, they may *not* choose a riskier pathway than what SDSU/SD4-H currently allows.

Why can't 4-H return to “normal” as quickly as some local communities?

As of mid-May 2020, the federal and state COVID-19 responses lean heavily on local decision-making and personal responsibility. Local decision-makers consider a range of factors, but primarily they try to balance economics and public safety. Though they acknowledge the best thing to do for public safety is remain in quarantine mode, they are unable to look beyond the negative impacts to the local economy. *Public universities do not have that decision-making flexibility*; they are governed by statutes that require student safety as the highest priority. This safety-first requirement will produce long-term fiscal consequences for public universities nationwide.

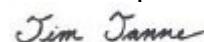
The 4-H program in each state is entrusted by statute to its land-grant public university (e.g., SDSU in South Dakota). As a result, the 4-H program folds into many of the same statutes that govern student safety in public higher education. Thus, we must make decisions from an evidence-based safety framework. During normal times this framework makes 4-H a highly valued and trusted institution for parents, businesses, and community leaders. During the current era, this framework is a tougher pill to swallow in a state that places a high value on independence and personal responsibility. Though we understand the frustration, the safety-first framework will not change.

Please do not ask your local 4-H professionals or leaders to “break ranks” and go forward with events against SDSU timelines. These standards exist to protect our members, families, volunteers, and unknown vulnerable others. It is an excellent and difficult lesson in citizenship.

Finally, I wish you well in the culmination of the 2020 4-H season! Try alternative learning methods. Take advantage of newfound time to give more depth to your 4-H project areas of interest--even if an awards ribbon or trip to nationals is no longer available. Wash the dishes without being asked. Mow the yard for your elderly neighbor. Appreciate the formation of resiliency skills that will last a lifetime.

Thank you for demonstrating the 4-H spirit of #inspiredtodo in all circumstances. I wish you all the best health in the months ahead.

Yours in positive youth development,



Tim Tanner, Ph.D.

Director, South Dakota 4-H Program

*Contest prizes are a little higher than our normal 4-H award practices because we recognize that many youth will miss out on traditional income sources this summer, making the prizes uniquely beneficial. Appropriate individual limits will be in place. Importantly, the long-held 4-H philosophy that “we do not pursue activities for the awards” remains unchanged.

COVID-19 UPDATE

2020 South Dakota 4-H Animal Project Required Documents

Updated as of May 15, 2020

All deadlines and information in this document supersede any previous guidance. These changes are for the 2020 season only and do not set a precedent for future 4-H seasons.

All

- County Event Qualifying
 - Many local 4-H horse, livestock, etc. shows (Achievement Days) will be cancelled this summer. As a result, the local qualifying requirement is universally waived. If the equivalent state event occurs (we hope!), you will be eligible to participate at the state event as long as the other applicable form, tag, enrollment, etc. deadlines have been met.

Horse

- Horse Identification Form
 - Horse Identification Form will not be required to be uploaded into 4HOnline this year since the animal identification is entered into 4HOnline.
 - Animal identification is still required to be entered into 4HOnline by June 1st at 11:59 p.m.
- Achievement Form
 - Training is still required but the form does NOT need to be signed by a 4-H volunteer or professional. In its place it is up to each project leader to keep track of which participants have submitted their training summary paragraphs, quizzes, and or skills videos. The project leaders will then communicate with the County Extension Office to verify that all participants have completed the requirements.
 - Family uploads to 4HOnline by normal deadline.
- Lease Form (same as livestock form)
 - The only signatures that will be required on this form are those of the 1) animal owner, and 2) the lessee and/or their family.
 - The lease form must be uploaded into 4HOnline by June 1st at 11:59 p.m.
- State Horse Show Registration
 - This deadline has been moved to **August 11 at 11:59 p.m.**, the same day as the other animal registration deadlines. Registration will take place in Fair Entry.
 - **New Date!** We are planning for a modified, in-person State Horse Show in Huron on August 29-30. Event details will be shared as the situation unfolds.
- Health Certificates
 - An up to date Health Certificate will still be required at the State Horse Show, this is a requirement of the Animal Industry Board.
- Horse Photo
 - A photo of your horse is still required to be uploaded into 4HOnline.



Dog

- Animal Identification
 - Animal identification is still required to be entered into 4HOnline by June 1st at 11:59 p.m.
- Proof of Vaccinations
 - It is now strongly recommended that proof of vaccinations be uploaded into 4HOnline by the first competition. It will also be required that a **paper copy** is brought to the State Dog Show.
- Dog Photo
 - A photo of your dog is still required to be uploaded to 4-H Online/Fair Entry.

Livestock

- Animal Identification
 - Animal identification is still required to be entered into 4HOnline by June 1st at 11:59 p.m.
- DNA
 - Due to the County Extension Office by **June 1st**.
 - Offices: Be sure to keep track of those envelopes that will need to be sent in for participants competing at ASKARBAN. This is for exhibitors wanting to show at both AKSARBEN and the 4-H Division of the South Dakota State Fair.
- NUES Tags
 - Are still required for The State Fair and the tag information is required to be uploaded to 4-H Online by **June 1st** at 11:59 PM.
- Lease Form
 - The only signatures that will be required on this form are those of the 1) animal owner, and 2) the lessee and/or their family.
 - The lease form must be uploaded into 4HOnline by June 1st at 11:59 p.m.
- Breed Registration
 - The new deadline to upload will be **August 11th** and we are requiring a **paper copy** be brought to the State Fair.
- YQCA Certification
 - SD4-H livestock producers are committed to providing safe, reliable food sources for local buyers. Annual YQCA certification is one small component of assuring a quality product for the consumer. Unfortunately, National YQCA's prohibition of modified instructional formats + our desire to reasonably reduce participant costs during an economic downturn + the consideration that few (if any) large-scale meatpackers will be processing 4-H animals this year = YQCA has been **reduced to a recommended activity** for the 2020 4-H season. To be clear, it is no longer required. Members in their first 3 years of 4-H livestock care are strongly encouraged (but not required) to complete the YQCA *online* course. No refunds or 2021 carry-forwards are available for those who already completed 2020 YQCA prior to the pandemic's disruption.

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South Dakota Summer Adventures

A Virtual Summer Series Provided by South Dakota 4-H

As we continue to practice physical distancing, South Dakota 4-H is gearing up to provide youth across the state with an opportunity to learn, create, and develop skills virtually with their peers.

Youth will be engaged in a variety of educational pieces including but not limited to live Zoom sessions and discussion boards. Additionally, youth will have an opportunity to participate in a variety of challenges each week. The top five individuals from each challenge will receive a monetary prize.

At the end of each week, a family challenge will encourage youth to utilize skills and tricks they learned from the week with their family.

The series is open to **ALL** youth in South Dakota.

Each week South Dakota 4-H will provide 4-8 educational experiences, 3-4 youth contests, and 1 family challenge.

Week 1: June 1-5 *Gardening*

Week 2: June 8-12 *My Community*

Week 3: June 15-19 *Sports and Recreation*

Week 4: June 22-26 *Arts*

Week 5: June 29- July 2 *My Future*

Week 6: July 6-10 *Food*

Week 7: July 13-17 *Water*

Week 8: July 20-24 *Pet & Animals*

Week 9: July 27-31 *Health & Wellness*

Week 10: Aug 3-8 *Outdoor Education*

Week 11: Aug 10-14 *4-H Proud*

*Registration information will be coming soon!
For questions please contact: Christine Wood
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4-H Member Spotlight

Each month a 4-H member is featured in the observer. If you would like to be featured, please fill this out and turn back in to Katie.

Name: _____

Age: _____

Parents & Siblings: _____

School: _____

Grade: _____

4-H Club: _____

Years in 4-H: _____

Favorite 4-H Activity: _____

Favorite 4-H memory: _____

Greatest 4-H achievement: _____

Favorite part of County Fair: _____

How did you get interested in 4-H? _____

What has 4-H taught you? _____

Why should other join 4-H? _____

What do you like to do for fun?

Favorite subject in School: _____

Favorite food: _____

Favorite song: _____

Role Models: _____

Future Plans: _____

Favorite animal: _____

Favorite sports team: _____

Other hobbies & interests: _____

If I won a million dollars, the first thing I would buy is: _____

What would you like to be when you grow up? _____

PHOTO

4-H MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: LINDSEY KONRAD

Age: 17

Parents & Siblings: Mark Patty, Ben Audrey, Kelsey Daniel, Evan, Matthew, Jason, Sarah, Rachael, Christopher, Hailey & Natalie

School: Home schooled

Grade: 12

4-H Club: Yankton Clovers

Years in 4-H: 8

Favorite 4-H Activity: Photography

Favorite 4-H Memory: watching the demolition derby with my family and friends

Greatest 4-H Achievement: State Fair Participation Award

Favorite Part of County Fair: Demolition Derby

How did you get interested in 4-H? seeing all of my siblings projects at the fair

What has 4-H taught you? I've learned how to sew, how to present in front of people, and serve others wherever I can.

Why should others join 4-H? To learn new skills and be creative

What do you like to do for fun? Photography, camping, volleyball, Hiking

Favorite Subject in School: History

Favorite Food: Chinese

Favorite Song: Verge by Owl City

Role Models: My Family

Future Plans: becoming a camp counselor

Favorite Animal: Tiger

Favorite Sports team: None

Other hobbies & interests: I like making gourmet meals and caring for plants

If I won a million dollars, the first thing I would buy is: a trip around the world

What would you like to be when you grow up: a Zoologist

