

March 2024

# MINNEHAHA 4-H



## NEWSLETTER



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#### 4-H COMPLIANCE PROTOCOL TRAINING FOR 4-H LEADERS



SD 4-H has new compliance protocol for SDSU's non-student minors policy which impacts how 4-H leaders and office staff plan for meetings and events. All 4-H Leaders must be trained on this new protocol to hold any meetings or events by April 3, 2024. The training will teach leaders about this protocol and how to fill out a form and submit it to the Minnehaha County 4-H Office a minimum of two days prior to any club meeting or event.

If a club leader has not attended a training by April 3rd, they will not be able to hold a club meeting or event until they are trained as this new protocol goes into effect on April 3, 2024.

Aubrey and Nathan will be hosting multiple county trainings and Janae Hansen-Gross with the State 4-H office will be holding additional trainings by Zoom. Registration is not yet available for the state trainings but will be sent to those who RSVP for those sessions.

Please RSVP to [minnehahacounty@sdstate.edu](mailto:minnehahacounty@sdstate.edu) for one of the following training sessions:

March 10 at 2:30pm: Please indicate whether you will attend in-person or by Zoom

March 18 at 7:00pm: Please indicate whether you will attend in-person or by Zoom

March 19 at 8:00pm: Online Option with Jenae Hansen-Gross via Zoom

March 25 at 6:00pm: Online Option during the Leader's Association Meeting via Zoom

March 28 at Noon: Online Option with Jenae Hansen-Gross via Zoom

#### Important Links



#### Latest Updates



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## Club Leader and Volunteer Re-Enrollment - Important

If you are a club leader, volunteer, or shooting sports coach it is important that you re-enroll ASAP. If you do not have a completed volunteer enrollment, you are not covered by South Dakota 4-H for any accidents or injuries that occur during 4-H activities and may therefore be held personally liable if an accident or injury were to occur.

### Volunteer Checklist At a Glance-Returning Volunteers

Enroll in 4-H online

Submit volunteer fee to Minnehaha County

### Volunteers Checklist At A Glance- New Volunteers

Enrolling 4-H online

Complete [volunteer application](#)

Submit volunteer fee to Minnehaha County

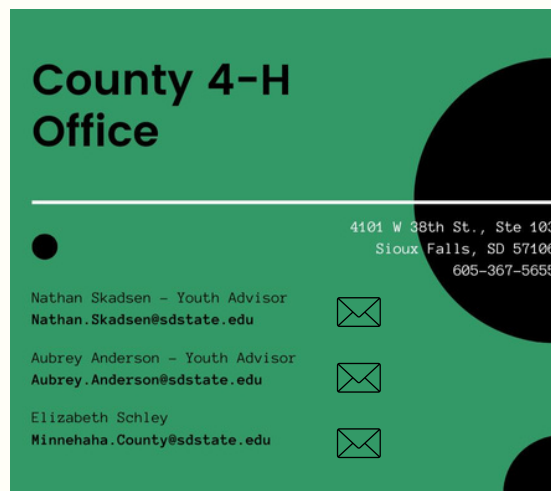
Complete Training House videos- [general volunteers](#) or [Shooting Sports volunteers](#)

Complete Background check

## Coaches and Chaperones Needed!

Each year, South Dakota 4-H members have the opportunity to compete at National competitions and attend National leadership opportunities. We are continuously looking for talented individuals to coach teams and accompany youth on these experiences.

Anyone interested in these opportunities should visit <https://extension.sdstate.edu/4-h-coach-and-chaperone-application> and complete the application. The office is currently collecting applications for individuals interested in coaching or chaperoning 4-H members competing in 2024. We are also looking for folks to chaperone experiences such as Citizenship Washington Focus, summer camps, Performing Arts, and SkillsX (formerly Teen Leadership Conference).



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# Level Up Your Leadership

Do you have 4-H youth that you work with that are showing signs of disengagement? Are you an older 4-H youth that thinks 4-H doesn't have anything to offer you anymore? Think again!

The Leadership Outcome Team has developed a resource that compiles all of the next level opportunities available to young people looking to expand their leadership potential in 4-H.

This resource provides a brief description of each opportunity, a direct quote from a past participant, and ways to learn more. Level-up your leadership today:

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/leadership-level-hot-sheet>





## South Dakota 4-H Scholarship Application Available

Scholarship awards are based on fulfillment of scholarship specific criteria and the following:

- ✓ 40% scholastic achievement
- ✓ 10% character
- ✓ 40% 4-H project involvement including citizenship/community service and leadership
- ✓ 10% financial need

Applications must be postmarked by the first Monday of April to be considered.

The application can be found at [extension.sdstate.edu](https://extension.sdstate.edu)

### More Information

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## Upcoming Dates

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# March 2024

3-Junior Leaders Community Service - Eastside Walmart @ 2pm

6-Office closed-out in community doing programming

9-Fruit and Fudge pickup-W. H. Lyon Fairgrounds, North Expo Room

9-Beef Show Clinic-Brookings-9-1 PM

10-4-H Leaders Required Compliance Training-2:30pm – In-Person/Zoom Hybrid  
-please indicate if attending Zoom or in-person

15- Last day to register new SS members for the Winter Program

15.-SS End of Match 2

16- Scores of SS Match 2 due to John by 9:30 am (CST)

16-Beef Weigh In-Dells Veterinary Services-8:30-9:30 am

18-State Match Registration Opens in FairEntry at 12:01 am (CST)

18-4-H Leaders Required Compliance Training-7pm- In-Person/Zoom Hybrid-  
Please indicate which you will attend

19-4-H Leaders Required Compliance Training-8pm-Online option with Jenae Hansen-Gross via Zoom

25-4-H Leaders Required Compliance Training-6pm-via Zoom

28- 4-H Leaders Required Compliance Training-Noon-Online option with Jenae Hansen-Gross via Zoom

29-deadline to sign up for seed bomb kits

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## Upcoming Dates cont.

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# April 2024

1-4-H State Scholarship Applications due

7-Junior Leaders Meeting @ 6:30pm

15-Shooting Sports End of Match 3

16- Scores for Match 3 due to John by 9:30 am (CST)

16- Spring State Shoot Registration Deadline

19-24-National 4-H Conference – Arlington, VA

22-26-pickup week for seed bomb kits

25-Spring Shoot Teams due to John by 5 pm (CST)

26-28- Spring State Shoot-Ft. Pierre/Pierre

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# 4-H Youth Livestock Literacy

## Introduction

From clinics to competitions, the South Dakota 4-H program has a long history of promoting livestock education. Though youth are encouraged to maximize their livestock education by taking advantage of *many* learning opportunities, one Youth Livestock Literacy (YLL) certified event is required each program year for youth interested in exhibiting livestock in a county fair/achievement day or state fair. This YLL safety requirement mirrors South Dakota 4-H standards in other higher risk project areas. In the livestock project area, the primary safety concern is that youth understand the role they play in producing safe food for others to eat.

## Procedure [effective 2023-24 4-H program year]

Here is a handy checklist SD4-H livestock exhibitors will complete before the annual July 1 deadline:

- ☐ **Enroll** youth and projects in 4hOnline.
  - If applicable to your species, get animals tagged with **4-H ear tags** and **DNA** pulled and submitted.
- ☐ Complete at least one **YLL** certified event. See menu of options on the next page.
  - If attending the event in your own 4-H county, be sure to sign in at registration.
  - If attending a YLL event out-of-county, you will provide attendance certificate to your home 4-H county's Extension Office.
  - If using YQCA Online as your YLL event, you will convey completion certificate to your home 4-H county's Extension Office.
- ☐ Complete the **Livestock Integrity Pledge**.
  - This usually occurs during in-person YLL events, so if you used an alternative option, you will need to provide this to your home 4-H county's Extension Office.

### Special Note for 4-H State Fair Exhibitors

Additional requirements apply to participate in the 4-H Division of State Fair. Some are species dependent. Look to the 4-H State Fair Book (usually available around April 1) for these additional guidelines.





# YLL Menu of Options

Choose one of these four educational options to meet the annual YLL requirement

1. Attend a 4-H YLL certified event in county<sup>#</sup>; common examples include:

- In-person instructor-led YQCA<sup>^</sup> (\$3)
  - Recommended for each exhibitor's first four years
- Species-specific clinic on vaccination, insemination, etc.
- Veterinarian clinic on animal health and nutrition
- Livestock judging or skill-a-thon school/clinic

*<sup>#</sup>The counties without a 4-H Youth Program Advisor have fewer YLL options.*

*<sup>^</sup>To make efficient use of one's time, youth who participate in certain national livestock shows (e.g., Ak-sar-ben) should choose a YQCA option.*

2. Attend a 4-H YLL event in another county

3. Complete YQCA<sup>^</sup> Online training

- Cost is \$12 for this web-based training; available at <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

4. Beef project youth may complete BQA and convey a current certificate to home 4-H county's Extension Office

- Certificate must be in the youth's name, not the family's name

To learn about Youth Livestock Literacy opportunities in your county and beyond, contact your local Extension Office. You may also have interest in learning about out-of-county YLL events by opting into the **SD4-H Livestock Email Listserv**; indicate interest to [sdsu.4h@sdstate.edu](mailto:sdsu.4h@sdstate.edu)



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